



2018 Doctor OF Politics Education Plan

March, 2018

I Coursework

Our coursework has 2 modules: Core course and Elective courses. A more schematic layout of the 2 modules is listed as follows:

1. Core Courses

Module 1: Core Courses

Course Title	Credit	Instructor's Name
The Outline of Chinese Culture	4	Prof. Xiang ZHOU
Classics of Political Science	2	Prof. Zhonghua GUO
Frontiers of Political Theories	2	Prof. Siqi LUO
Introduction to Statistics	2	Dr. Yueping ZHENG

2. Elective Courses

Module 2: Elective Courses

Course Title	Credit	Instructor's Name
Citizenship Theories	2	Prof. Zhonghua GUO

3. Course Setting

The MOFCOM program consists of 3 semesters of full-time academic work, including 4 core courses and 1 elective course. All courses are taught in English by SOG's experienced faculties. A more schematic layout of the course setting is listed as follows:

Module 3:

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Course Title	Credit	Teaching Syllabus
The Outline of Chinese Culture	4	This class introduces Chinese cultures and help students adapt themselves to their lives in China.
Classics of Political Science	2	This class is essentially designed to be a combination of lecture and discussion. Class discussions are strongly encouraged. Assigned reading is expected to be completed on the day of the lecture as listed in the course outline.
Frontiers of Political Theories	2	This course provides a broad overview of the basic concepts, theories, and principles in the field of politics
Introduction to Statistics	2	This course is designed to assist PhD students develop skills in analysis of information relevant to political affairs. The course introduces students the fundamentals of research designs, strategies of data collection, and both basic and advanced data analysis.
Citizenship Theories	2	This course is designed for international doctoral students in politics and help them develop theoretical basis concerning citizenship.

4. Faculty

(1) Name: Prof. Xiang ZHOU

Course Title: The Outline of Chinese Culture

School: PhD in History at Sun yat-sen University

(2) Name: Zhonghua GUO

Course Title: Classics of Political Science

School: PhD in Political Science at Fudan University, Visiting Scholar at Sheffield University

(3) Name: Yueping ZHENG

Course Title: Introduction to Statistics

School: PhD in Public Administration at Rutgers University

(4) Name: Siqu LUO

Course Title: Frontiers of Political Theories

School: PhD in Industrial Sociology at Frankfurt University

II Teaching method

This program applies multidisciplinary perspectives emphasizing both theoretical and methodological training to improve the understanding of the origin, development, and approaches of Chinese governance. Our highly interactive and collaborative courses combine lectures, seminars, case-studies and fieldwork.

III Semester Schedule

The MOFCOM program consists of 3 academic years, including 3 semesters of full-time academic work and 3 semesters of thesis writing and defense.

IV Dissertation

1. Specific Requirements of the Dissertation

The dissertation is expected to combine theoretical perspectives and empirical analytic skills. A comparative analysis is preferred, but not required.

2. Specific Requirements of the Dissertation Defense

Dissertation committee consists of no less than 5 members and 1 defense secretary. The defense results are decided by anonymous vote of dissertation committee, and the respondent (the author of thesis writing) needs a super majority (two-thirds) in the defense to pass the defense.

V Degree

A degree on Doctor of Politics will be conferred upon a candidate in the PhD program after his/her successful completion of required credits and thesis.