

Social and Public Policy (Soc Sci)

University of Glasgow

Venues

Gilmorehill Campus

Content

Year 1: Initially you will focus on the famous Beveridge Report of 1942, which identified the 'Five Giants' of want, disease, squalor, ignorance and idleness. You will examine policies and services such as health and social security, which were created to eradicate postwar social problems.

You will also have the opportunity to study newer social problems, such as homelessness, juvenile delinquency and drug misuse. You will conclude with a look at the future of key policy areas.

You will also study two other subjects in year 1 according to your interests: see Degrees in Arts, Science and Social Sciences.

Year 2: The second year aims to build on material outlined in the first year, introduce key concepts and principles and address important issues in public policy. You will examine different ideologies such as collectivism, anti-collectivism, feminism and greenism; how policy is made; how policy is delivered; various case studies, which are all informed by our current research.

You will also study one or two other subjects in year 2 according to your interests: see Degrees in Arts, Science and Social Sciences.

Years 3 and 4: If you successfully complete the courses in first and second years you may progress to two further years of study for an Honours degree.

You can choose to study Public Policy on its own for a Single Honours degree or in combination with another subject for a Joint Honours degree.

There are four core courses for Single Honours students: Policy analysis and evaluation; Policy design and delivery; Social research and investigation; Dissertation.

Joint Honours students who wish to write their dissertation in an area of public policy must also take the course Social research and investigation.

Over the two Honours years you will also choose subjects from a diverse range of topics to suit your interests.

Start Date

September

Qualification

Degree

Study Method

Full time

Award Title

MA Hons

UCAS Code

L430

Course Length

4 years

Faculty

College of Social Sciences

Department

School of Social and Political Sciences

Entry Requirements

2026 entry requirements

Standard entry: 6 Highers at AAAAAA (by end S6 with min AAABB after S5) including English and a humanities subject at AA (AB may be considered). Higher Maths recommended.

Widening access entry: 5 Highers at AAABB/ABBBB (by end S6) including English and a humanities subject. Completion of pre-entry programme is necessary.

SCQF Level

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Progression Routes

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Combination Courses

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