



香港教育大學
The Education University
of Hong Kong



Master of Science in Environmental, Social and Governance for Sustainable Development

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World University Rankings 2026
EdUHK ranks

195th
Overall

6th
Hong Kong

2026/27

One-year Full-time
Programme Code:
AIM134



Academy for Applied Policy Studies
and Education Futures

應用政策研究及教育未來學院

INTRODUCTION

The Master of Science in Environmental, Social and Governance for Sustainable Development (MSc(ESGSD)), comprising 5 Core courses and 3 Elective courses, provides students with essential professional knowledge and skills related to Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) for promoting Sustainable Development.

The courses enable students to critically reflect on contemporary theories and practices of ESG and equip them with the professional knowledge of ESG necessary to become competent practitioners and future leaders in promoting ESG and achieving sustainable development goals.

Provide a comprehensive training on theories and practices of ESG

The first ESG-focused Master programme that uses Putonghua as the MOI

Cover essential areas of current major certified ESG examination syllabus

Integrate theories and practices of ESG in the contexts of Hong Kong and Chinese Mainland

CAREER PROSPECTS

Graduates may pursue the following careers:

ESG Analyst: Conducts data analysis to evaluate companies' ESG performance

Green finance analyst: Evaluates green finance products to support sustainable investment

Risk and Compliance Officer: Manages ESG-related risks and compliance with relevant regulations

ESG and sustainability consultant: Provides strategic advice and sustainable development initiatives.

ESG reporting and assurance manager: Compiles ESG reports, monitors performance, and provides improvement recommendations to companies.

**Join us to become the next generation of ESG professionals.
Work together to drive SDGs for both business and society.**

ESGSD

MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION

Putonghua (Supplemented with English)

PROGRAMME STRUCTURE AND CURRICULUM

The programme comprises 24 credit points, including five core courses (15 cps) and three elective courses (choose 3 out of 4, 9 cps). Each course carries 3 credit points. Participants can take one year (full-time) complete the whole programme.

Core course (15 cps)

Theoretical Perspectives on ESG
Climate Change Challenges
Green Finance and Carbon Trading
Sus. Assessment and ESG Reporting
Ethics and Compliance for ESG

Elective courses (9 cps)

Contemporary Practices on ESG
Corporate Governance and Sustain.
ESG Project Management
Tech. & Inno. Policies: Development & Trend

PROGRAMME AIMS

The aims and objectives of this programme are to equip executives and professionals with solid knowledge of ESG to achieve the sustainable development goals. Through this programme, participants will acquire ability and skill to analyse and evaluate the ESG performance and be able to apply rules and policies to solve ESG related problems.

Upon completion, graduates will be able to:



Understand the conceptual frameworks, theories and practices about ESG and sustainable development.



Apply key concepts of ESG pertaining to business structure and technological management



Contextualize and re-shape economic, social and environmental relationships.



Develop interdisciplinary perspectives on ESG related issues and solutions applicable to industrial and business sectors.



ESGSD

TUITION FEE

The tuition fee (2026/27 Cohort) is



The above tuition fee is provisional and subject to adjustment. Tuition fees paid are normally not refundable or transferable. Students who still need to take courses to meet graduation requirements beyond the regular study period (one year for full-time) will need to pay a fee for extended study. The University reserves the right to make changes to tuition fee without prior notice.

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS (FOR 2026/27)

- ✓ Applicants should normally hold a recognised bachelor's degree or equivalent.
- ✓ Shortlisted applicants may be required to attend an interview.
- ✓ Applicants shall be proficient in Chinese (Mandarin) to enroll in the programme.
- ✓ Applicants who obtained degrees from universities in Chinese Mainland are required to provide:
 - Degree Certificate (學位證書-中文原件掃描) and Online Verification Report of Higher Education Degree Certificate (學位在線驗證報告) issued by the CHSI (學信網) with a validity period of six months;
 - Graduation Certificate (畢業證書-中文原件掃描) and Online Verification Report of Higher Education Qualification Certificate (學歷證書電子註冊備案表) issued by the CHSI (學信網) with a validity period of six months; and
 - Final Transcript (最終成績單-中文原件掃描) .
- ✓ Applicants with over two years of work experience will be given priority consideration.
- ✓ Applicants from institutions where English is not the medium of instruction are required to demonstrate English proficiency that meets the programme's established standards.

Priority will be given to applicants who have achieved scores in the following recognised

English proficiency tests:

- Overall score of IELTS 5.5 (academic version)#;
- TOEFL score of 59 (internet-based test)#;
- Band 6 in the College English Test (CET)# with a total score of 430;
- Grade C or above in GCSE/GCE O-Level English; or
- Other equivalent qualifications on a case-by-case basis.

#The test should be taken in test centres and the result should be valid within two years.
TOEFL Home Editions, TOEFL MyBest Score, IELTS Indicator, IELTS Online, IELTS One Skill Retake, Duolingo and National Postgraduate Entrance Examination (全國碩士研究生招生考試) are NOT acceptable.

ENQUIRIES

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PLEASE REFER TO THE PROGRAMME WEBPAGE FOR THE LATEST INFORMATION

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