INDIAN SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY

Developing Leaders for Policy Action
Welcome to the Indian School of Public Policy!

India is at an exciting and critical stage of its development. India has, and will continue to have in the next decades, the largest young population in the world. As societies become more and more knowledge-based, rules and institutions that shape local, national and global engagements will have to change to meet the aspirations of the youth in India.

Designing these rules and institutions will form the essence of public policy in the next few decades. Because they will be affected by them, the youth must participate in designing them.

The ISPP is conceived as the first Indian school of public policy focussed on the design and management of institutions and rules that govern society. It is being setup by an eminent council of senior academics, policy experts, administrators and philanthropists with a vision to develop a new class of policy leaders for India and the region. It will commence with a year-long, Master’s equivalent certificate program in Policy, Design & Management.

The ISPP is the institutional successor to several years of public policy programs that our founding council have conceptualized and run in various forms, in colleges and universities across the country. Across these programs we have graduated over 8000 students who have gone on to successful policy careers in India and the world.

The establishment of a new institute invariably affords tremendous scope and possibilities to its various stakeholders and that will certainly be the case at ISPP. Our mission and aim is to build a flourishing training and research platform and a vibrant community for talented and ambitious students, faculty and practitioners.

Join us on this exhilarating journey. Welcome once again!

Shubhashis Gangopadhyay
The ISPP will begin with a program in Policy, Design & Management, built and designed for aspiring public policy managers, practitioners and administrators.

An inter-disciplinary one-year postgraduate certificate program

1 Full-time, residential program based in New Delhi

2 Designed & supported by reputed national & international academic partners

3 Curriculum and research tailored to the Indian context, with learnings from global public policy analysis and implementation

4 Faculty comprising of academics and practitioners from India and abroad

5 Founding Class to comprise of fifty outstanding students from diverse academic, geographical, and professional backgrounds

6 Graduates from any discipline can apply, programme is best suited for candidates with two to three years of relevant professional experience

7 Annual tuition fee of seven lacs. Provision for ten students to receive full waiver on fees, subject to financial need

8 Graduates will be prepared for a career in public administration, policy design, governance, research and social innovation, policy implementation
IMMERSIVE AND INTER-DISCIPLINARY

The school will follow a comprehensive training philosophy and the curriculum will be a blended design of the theory, perspectives and best-practices of public policy from around the world, augmented with technical, managerial and leadership skills.
PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Terms of 8 Weeks each

3 Courses in each Term

24 Classroom Hours & 60 Field Hours per Course

TERM 1
- Political Theory and Public Policy
- India’s Legislative Setup
- Lobbying, Civil Society & Advocacy
- Regulation & Private Enterprise
- Public Finance in India
- Ethics of Public Action
- Program Management & Assessment

TERM 2
- Design Thinking for Public Policy
- Complex System Dynamics
- Fundamentals of Negotiation
- Leadership in Public Policy
- Public Policy of Education
- Public Policy of Health

TERM 3
- Writing and Communication
- Critical Thinking
- Contract Reading & Writing
- Grant Writing
- Budgeting
- Decision Making

TERM 4
- Healthcare Service Delivery
- Competition and Regulation
- Social Welfare Administration
- Education
- Foreign Trade

TERM 5

TERM 6

- Healthcare Service Delivery
- Competition and Regulation
- Social Welfare Administration
- Education
- Foreign Trade

SESSION COMMENCING
AUGUST 2019
ADMISSIONS & ELIGIBILITY

1. Admissions to the program are open to working professionals as well as recent graduates.
2. Prospective students can apply through the School’s website: www.ispp.org.in.
3. Minimum requirements to apply shall be graduation and fluency in English.
4. No prior policy background is assumed, so students may apply regardless of discipline.
5. Students may also apply regardless of past work-experience or present career choice.
6. ISPP’s approach to admissions will be holistic and in-depth and prize interest, aptitude and intent.
7. The application form is common for all students and includes details of your academic & work background as well as essay questions.
8. ISPP has ready and helpful admissions officers willing to counsel prospective students. They can be contacted through their website: www.ispp.org.in.

Join the distinguished inaugural batch in August 2019.
Industry & society are looking for skilled and ambitious policy professionals.

- ISPP has strong industry support from the likes of Uber, PwC, EY, Deloitte India, GMR Group, Samhita, Dasra, Clinton Health Access Initiative & many more to place our graduates in strong career positions.

- The school’s strong network of policy practitioners, managers and leaders ensures that all students will receive dedicated mentorship & counseling to make the best possible choice.
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LIFE AT ISPP

At ISPP you’ll be joining a select group of talented and ambitious students who have also been socially conscious and intellectually curious. While you will all come to the ISPP to develop as serious and skilled policy professionals, you will also find the time and scope to build a substantial and vibrant community with your classmates, faculty members and others.

A founding batch invariably affords tremendous scope and responsibility at any new institution around the world, and that will certainly be the case at ISPP. As mature students in a professional program, you will have the chance, and be expected, to contribute to building a flourishing program for future students, intellectually accomplished, far-reaching and diverse in its ambition and focused in its endeavours.

Life at ISPP promises to be challenging, stimulating and exhilarating!