



THE UNIVERSITY
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FACULTY OF
SOCIAL SCIENCES



SIR ARTHUR LEWIS
INSTITUTE OF
SOCIAL AND
ECONOMIC
STUDIES



Online MSc. in Development Studies

About the Degree

The Online MSc. in Development Studies is designed to produce graduates with specialized leadership skills for development and an interdisciplinary grasp of the Social Sciences.

It will:

- Expose students to recent social, economic and political developments, especially in small developing countries
- Facilitate an understanding of the principles and practices of policy formulation, implementation and evaluation
- Equip students to use quantitative and qualitative techniques in decision-making; and
- Equip students with the skills to undertake research in policy analysis.

In addition to a firm grounding in contemporary social, political and economic affairs, the degree features a novel leadership seminar, a practical in-course approach to research methodology and a technical writing seminar.

Programme Features

Students are required to enrol in the General Degree or one of three Concentrations at the start of the programme:

- 1. Master of Science in Development Studies (Social Development Policy)**
- 2. Master of Science in Development Studies (Economic Development Policy)**
- 3. Master of Science in Development Studies (Governance and Public Policy)**

Generally, courses are offered in asynchronous mode – to allow students to study at their own pace during each Semester/Term. However, in some courses, facilitators may offer synchronous sessions to facilitate special guest lectures, panel discussions, interactive discussions and group presentations by students.

Application

General Application Information: <https://www.mona.uwi.edu/postgrad/prospectus>

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The degree comprises twelve courses of three credits each, totalling 36 credits: nine Core Courses and three courses from the General Degree or one of the three Concentrations.

Core Courses

SALI6205 – Global Political Economy

SALI6012 – Research Methods in the Social Sciences

SALI6200 – Understanding Contemporary Society and Development

SALI6031 – Techniques of Applied Social Statistical Analysis

SALI6206 – Small States' Development: Challenges and Opportunities

SALI6023 – Monitoring and Evaluation

SALI6203 – Leadership Seminar

SALI6011 – Public Policy Analysis and Management

SALI6060 – Research Paper

SALI6000 – Academic Writing for Graduate Students in an E-Learning Environment (Zero credit)

Economic Development Policy (EDP) Concentration

SALI6020 – Microeconomic Policy Analysis

SALI6021 – Macroeconomic Policy Analysis

SALI6022 – Quantitative Methods for Economic Decision Making

Governance and Public Policy (GPP) Concentration

SALI6103 – Integration: Policies and Practices in Commonwealth Caribbean

OR

SALI6081 – Caribbean Politics

SALI6110 – Development Cooperation and Aid Effectiveness

SALI6106 – Deviance, Conflict and Social Management

OR

SALI6108 – Environment and Sustainable Development

Social Development Policy (SDP) Concentration

SALI6104 – Social Inequality and Marginalization

SALI6001 – Regulating Sexual Citizenship in 'Postcolonial' Nations

SALI6109 – Social Investment in Children

OR

SALI6002 – Gender and Human Trafficking

General

Mixture of courses across the EDP, GPP and SDP concentrations.

Duration

One year and a summer full-time OR two years part-time inclusive of two summers



Professor Don Marshall

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Dr. Sandra Sookram

Director, SALISES, St Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago

Financial Information

Tuition:

US\$6,850* p.a. (citizens of contributing territories) / US\$15,000* p.a. (other nationals, overseas students) + The UWI miscellaneous fees.

*subject to change

<https://www.mona.uwi.edu/fees>

Financial Aid and Scholarships:

<https://www.mona.uwi.edu/postgrad/scholarships>

Admission Requirements

The minimum requirement for admission shall normally be a Lower Second Class Honours degree (GPA 2.5) or its equivalent. Pass degrees may be considered, if the candidate has relevant and substantive work experience.

Completed application inclusive of:

- Two (2) Academic Referees' reports
- Transcript (Non-UWI graduates)
- Birth Certificate (Non-UWI graduates)
- Marriage Certificate (if relevant and if not already submitted to UWI)
- Resume

Interview and satisfactory diagnostic test result may be required.