

# DUAL DEGREE PROGRAM WITH

**SciencesPo**



# MASTERS IN GLOBAL URBAN DEVELOPMENT

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## PART I: ABOUT THE PROGRAM

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### 1. OVERVIEW OF THE DUAL DEGREE (SCIENCES PO AND TISS)

The Urban School of Sciences Po (Paris) and the School of Habitat Studies within Tata Institute of Social Sciences (Mumbai), two highly rated institutions in urban governance and urban policy worldwide, are launching a new dual master's degree program, to begin September 2024. The Dual Master's draws on synergies between the two universities on cutting-edge interdisciplinary training in the social sciences. It provides students with the enriching experience of professionalization and on-the-ground training in two dynamic global cities, with the first year in Paris and the second year in Mumbai.

This is a unique program that grants a dual degree in urban development with training in India and Europe in the time normally taken to achieve just one degree. It offers the extraordinary opportunity to be trained in two of the world's most dynamic metropolitan areas, Paris, and Mumbai. Each of these is a vast laboratory for urbanism that share many of the key challenges of cities today. Greater Paris and Greater Mumbai have radically different spatial forms, geographies, and histories, and therefore provide an ideal site for students who want to acquire skills in global comparative urbanism and urban governance, and in understanding how urban policy is designed and implemented in different contexts.

The one-year Masters in Global Urban Development (MGUD) at TISS will be offered by the School of Habitat Studies and will be led by the Centre for Urban Policy and Governance that has produced significant knowledge about urbanisation and the city from varying locations in the Global South. The Centre for Urban Policy and Governance is supported in delivering a robust, interdisciplinary dual degree by three other centres within the school specializing in the fields of environment and climate change, water policy and governance, and regulation. This enables the school to offer rigorous training in urban development and policy, climate and sustainability, water and sanitation, and regulatory instruments. The school thus bears out the TISS ethos of a deep commitment to social and environmental justice and on-the-ground field training and policy work.

Providing all course requirements have been met, students will graduate after two years with two Master's degrees, one granted by Sciences Po Paris and the other by TISS Mumbai.

### 2. OBJECTIVES OF THE PROGRAM

- This program imparts understanding of varied facets and multiple trajectories of urban development in India to enable multi-disciplinary and intersectional thinking to respond to the challenges of complex urbanization processes not just in India but in the Global South.

- The program facilitates learning from situated lived experiences of different groups living in, impacted by, and influencing urban development processes in India, using these to inform more inclusive and effective Southern theory and policy.
- The program advances a deeper understanding of the policy and practice continuum in diverse urban development scenarios.

### 3. OVERALL APPROACH OF THE MGUD AT TISS

Urban areas in India are rapidly and unevenly transforming. This implies facing multiple challenges in achieving environmental sustainability, social justice and equity, and universal access to critical everyday urban infrastructure and services. The urban development processes and trajectories producing these transformations are varied and contingent upon historical and contemporary political, economic and governance contexts. The MGUD program is designed to equip students to understand the nuances of and critically engage with the challenges and the opportunities of contemporary urban development.

The year-long program at TISS Mumbai (40 credits) is designed for the cohort of students who will have already undergone a one-year coursework in the Governing the Large Metropolis (GLM) master’s program at the Urban School in Sciences Po, Paris. While in Paris, the students will be oriented to the theories and concepts, and analytical and research skills required for examining the nature of complex urban transformations and their implications on people, places, and environment. In Mumbai, the one-year Master’s degree from TISS focuses on applying and extending the theoretical and policymaking knowledge already acquired in Paris to complex, contested urban development processes and contexts in India. The program builds an innovative urban pedagogy based on learning from practice. This develops the capacities of students to not just understand situated, often messy, urban transformations but also to build on this knowledge to inform more effective theorizing and policymaking. Emphasizing sustainable, participatory, democratic, and equitable values, the program imparts knowledge and builds skills that link back to the theory and empirics on the ground.

#### Year 1 at Sciences Po

FIRST SEMESTER		SECOND SEMESTER	
NAME OF COURSE	ECTS	NAME OF COURSE	ECTS
Fundamental Course	2	Common Academic Curriculum Course	4
Core Courses	4	Core Course	10

Required Courses	22	Elective Course	8
Optional Courses	(4)	Optional course	4
		Capstone	(4)
	<b>30 (34)</b>		<b>30 (34)</b>

Semester	Course Title	ECTS
I	<b>Common Core Course Curriculum</b>	4
	<b>Urban School Core Courses (Choose 1)</b> KURB 2020 – Urban History KURB 2015 - Introduction A L'histoire Des Villes* <i>*A C1 level in French is required to attend the course taught in French</i>	4
	<b>Required Courses</b> KGLM 2020 - Urban Governance* KGLM 2065 - Housing and Land* KGLM 2050 - Qualitative Methods for Urban Studies KGLM 2180 - Comparative Urban Planning KGLM 2185 - City Power in the Digital Age KGLM 2060 - Introduction to GIS  <i>The courses marked with * are fundamental. A passing grade (at least 10 out of 20) is required in these courses to obtain your Master diploma.</i>	22
	<b>Optional Courses</b> Language courses OR Centre for Writing and Rhetoric courses	4
Semester II	<b>Common Academic Commune Course</b>	4
	<b>Required Courses</b> KGLM 2115 - Economics of the Large Metropolis * KGLM 2055 - Law in Large Metropolis KGLM 2150 - GIS Advanced	10

	KGLM 2015 - Introduction to Statistical Reasoning and Quantitative Methods	
	<b>Elective Courses (Choose 2 courses out of 4)</b> OGLM 2030 - Latin American Metropolis OGLM 3050 - Chinese Metropolis OGLM 2025 - South Asian Metropolis OGLM 3095 - MENA Metropolis	8
	MCOL2030 – Capstone Course	4
	SDEC2000 - Study trip in a metropolis	0
	<b>You may choose 1 or 2 optional courses (only if compatible with your mandatory courses).</b> Language courses Centre for Writing and Rhetoric courses Centre for Entrepreneurship	4

The courses marked with \* are fundamental. A passing grade (at least 10 out of 20) is required in these courses to obtain your Master's Degree

**YEAR 2: at TISS, Mumbai**

<b>TYPES OF COURSES</b>	<b>CREDITS</b>
Foundational Learning	<b>2 credits</b> Introduction to Urbanization and the City in India
Sectoral Courses	<b>6 credits</b> (Select any 3 courses out of 4) 1. Urban Water 2. Urban Sanitation and Solid Waste Management 3. Urban Mobilities 4. Urban Housing
Concentration Course	<b>4 credits</b> (Select any 1 concentration out of 3) 1. Inclusive and Participatory Local Governance 2. Planning and the Indian City 3. Gender, Cities, Governance and Governmentality
Perspective Building Courses	<b>4 credits</b> (Select any 2 out of 3) 1. Gender, vulnerability, and Climate Change 2. Sustainable Cities 3. Media and Reimaging of Indian Cities
Applied Learning Courses	<b>24 credits</b> <b>(4 courses - all mandatory)</b> Urban Lab I <i>M-Power Lab- Critical Southern Urban Practice in Mumbai (8 credits)</i>  Urban Lab II Rethinking Sustainable Societies - TISS-KILA Urban LIVE Lab in Kerala (8 credits) Policy Practicum (4 credits) Internship (4 credits)
<b>Total</b>	<b>40 credits</b>

### DISTRIBUTION OF CREDITS ACROSS SEMESTERS

THIRD SEMESTER		FOURTH SEMESTER	
NAME OF COURSE	TISS CREDITS	NAME OF COURSE	TISS CREDITS
Introduction to urbanization and the city in India	2	Perspective Courses	4
Concentration Course	4	Policy Practicum	4
Urban Lab I	8	Urban Lab II	8
Sectoral courses	6	Internship	4
	<b>20</b>		<b>20</b>

### LEARNING OUTCOMES OF ONE YEAR MGUD PROGRAM AT TISS

After the one-year intensive and immersive program at TISS, Students will be able to:

- critically understand the drivers, processes and complex outcomes of urbanization and urban development trajectories in India
- link theory and practice based on an immersive, applied learning pedagogy that gives a nuanced understanding of intersectional issues
- develop a vocabulary for analyzing and contextualizing policy and governance issues related to the urban context in India and the Global South

**FEES: (For Indian Students)**

YEAR I (Sciences Po) – €19,670\*

YEAR II (TISS) – 600,000 INR

\* Fees at Sciences Po may differ depending on nationality, tax household location and other criteria from €0 to €19,670. You can calculate your tuition fees [online](#).

**Queries:**

Email: oia@tiss.edu or call at +91 22 2552 5919/20

**Eligibility Criteria:**

- Bachelor's degree in social sciences / engineering / geography / economics / law / architecture etc.
- English fluency [English taught program in both universities]

**English Requirements:**

**English scores are compulsory for all students (both home students and international students enrolled from TISS) in the dual degree programme**

IELTS (Academic) - 7 Overall score

TOEFL Internet-based test - 100 Overall score

**Application Pre-Requisites:**

- Transcripts - GPA: 71% or more
- Resume / CV
- Statement of Purpose / cover letter
- Letters of Recommendation: at least 2 academic recommendations (mandatory) and/or 1 professional recommendation (optional)
- Portfolio / work sample (optional)

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: APRIL 7<sup>th</sup>**

YEAR 1 will begin in September 2024.