



Master in Sustainable Development Practice (MSDP)

Information Pack

Semester 1, Academic Year 2020-2021



Congratulations! You're in!

Welcome to the MSDP Program at
Centre for Global Sustainability Studies





What is MSDP?

- ▶ The Master in Sustainable Development Practice (MSDP) is a global multi and interdisciplinary graduate degree that trains students to design, implement, and manage results-oriented, integrated approaches to sustainable development.
- ▶ The goal of MSDP is to train and deploy a new generation of professionals capable of understanding and crossing institutional, sectoral, and regional boundaries to integrate diverse stakeholders and methodologies to sustainably address complex development challenges.



Why MSDP at USM?

- ▶ **MSDP graduates of USM are not generalists, but specialists in integrated approaches to sustainable development.**
- ▶ **Obtaining MSDP will facilitate your path towards career opportunities at NGOs, private sector companies, social enterprises, UN agencies, development banks, philanthropic organizations, academic research institutions, government departments and international aid agencies.**



GLOBAL ASSOCIATION

Master's in Development Practice

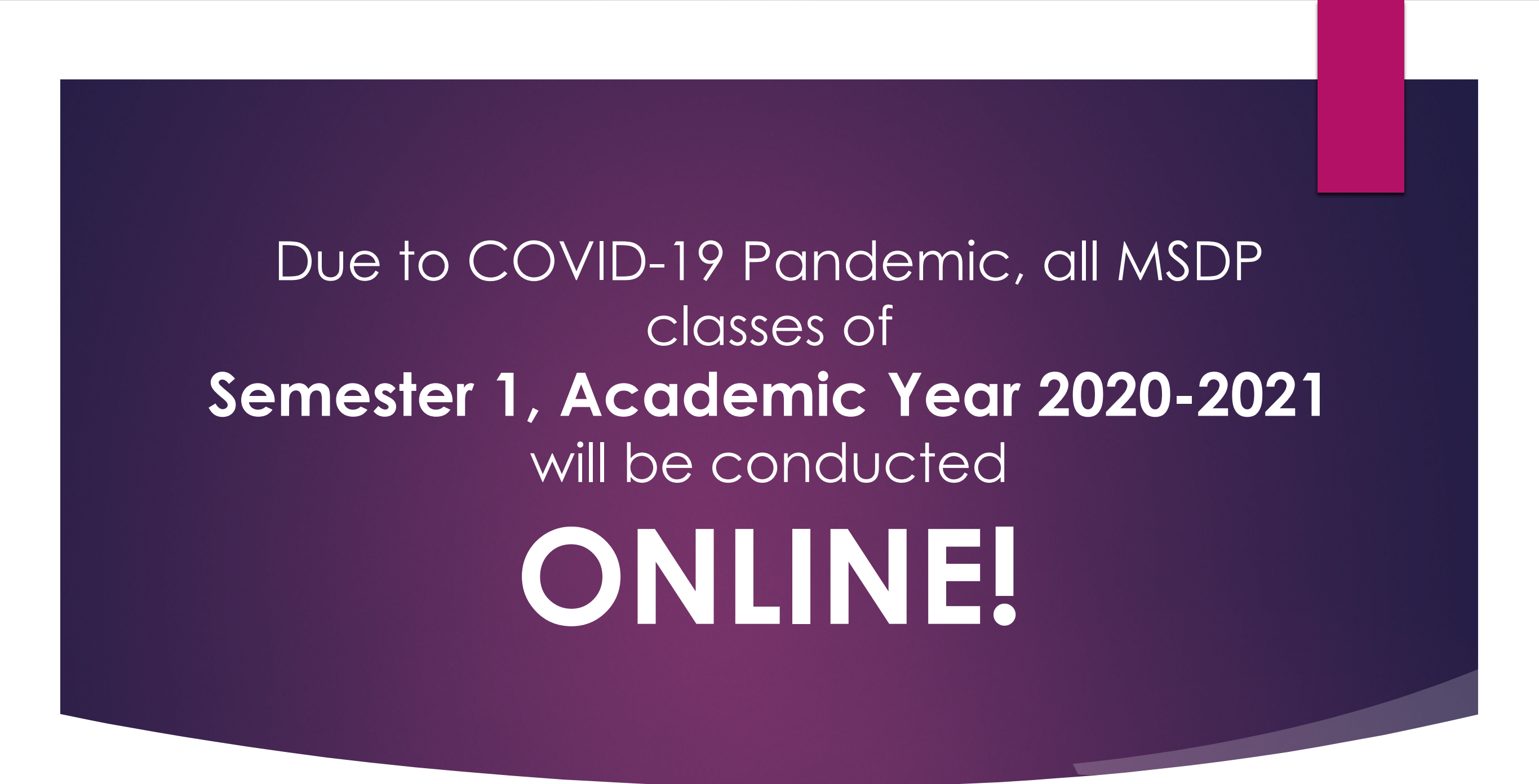
International
Recognition

- ▶ **The MSDP program at USM is offered in collaboration with the Earth Institute at Columbia University, New York, USA.**



All MSDP Classes
are conducted
over
weekends!

**As a MSDP Student, you are required to
attend 7 weekends of classes
per semester.**



Due to COVID-19 Pandemic, all MSDP
classes of
Semester 1, Academic Year 2020-2021
will be conducted

ONLINE!

**Please contact the MSDP Program
Coordinator to learn more about how to
attend the online classes.**



Program Structure

Full time students:

- Minimum 2 years
- Maximum 4 years

Part-time students:

- Minimum 3 years
- Maximum 5 years

List of Core Courses



- **Global Classroom: Integrated Approaches To Sustainable Development**
- **Research Methods for Sustainable Development**
- **Project Design Evaluation and Management**
- **Master in Sustainable Development Practice Project**
- **Health Policy and Management**
- **Energy Infrastructure Planning**
- **Human Ecology and Sustainable Development**
- **Budget Planning and Financial Management**
- **Information Technology for Development**
- **Economic Analysis for Sustainable**

List of Elective Courses



- **Sustainable Cities and Communities,**
- **Global Health Nutrition and Food Insecurity,**
- **Application of Environmental Science,**
- **Human Resource Management,**
- **Green Business and Performance Assessment, and**
- **Corporate Social Responsibility and Social Enterprise**

Study Plan



- ▶ As for your study plan, you can view the desired study plan for full time students in the next page table table. The ideal number of core and elective courses in each semester is demonstrated in the same table.
- ▶ As for part time students, please contact the MSDP Program coordinator to discuss designing a customized study plan according to your schedule.
- ▶ The study plan for full time students is flexible as well. If as a full time student you wish to make changes to the number of courses you take, please consult you MSDP coordinator.

YEAR	Semester	Core		Elective		Total Units
		No of courses	Units	No of courses	Units	
YEAR 1	1	4	12	0	0	12
	2	3 + Project	9	0	0	9
MSDP Project (Mini Dissertation or Internship)						
YEAR 2	3	2 + Project	11	1	3	14
	4	2	6	1	3	9
	Total	12	38	2	6	44 Units



Local Students Fees

- ▶ **Registration Fee** : RM340.00
- ▶ **Tuition Fee** : RM583.00 (per unit) X 44 Units = RM25,652.00
- ▶ **Convocation Fee** : RM120.00



International Students Fees

- ▶ **Registration Fees** : USD227.50
- ▶ **Personal Bond** : USD475.00
- ▶ **Tuition Fees** : USD218.75 (per unit) X 44 Units = USD9,625.00
- ▶ **Convocation Fee** : USD30.00

Time table of classes

Semester 1, Academic Year 2020/2021

(Online Sessions)

Day/Time	8.00 am – 2.00 pm	2.00 pm – 3.00 pm	3.00 pm – 9.00 pm
Saturday	NDP501 Global Classroom: Integrated Approaches to Sustainable Development	Lunch break	NDP502 Research Methods for Sustainable Development
	NDP515 Law and Governance in Development		NDP542 Sustainable Cities and Communities
Sunday	NDP511 Health Policy and Management	Lunch break	NDP503 Project Design Evaluation and Management
			NDP504 Master's in Sustainable Development Practice Project (2)

Important Notices



Plan now! You are responsible to manage your own study-plan based on your time schedule.



Every semester, make an appointment with the Programme Coordinator to discuss your study plan.



Courses will only be offered if there are 5 or more students registered for the class.

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