



**SCHOOL OF  
PUBLIC POLICY**

purpose beyond power

CENTRAL  
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UNIVERSITY





## ABOUT THE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY

The School of Public Policy, in the words of its founder George Soros, is a “new kind of global institution dealing with global problems.” It is committed to the values of public service and the promotion of open societies through interdisciplinary research, innovative teaching, and engagement with policy practice. Building on CEU’s tradition of diversity, the School seeks to attract exceptional students from all parts of the globe, fostering a unique learning experience both in and out of the classroom. The University is an English language institution accredited in the U.S. and Hungary.

## CAREERS

The professional MPA program equips students with policy knowledge, analytical frameworks, qualitative and quantitative skills, and practical experiences to make a positive difference throughout the world. Because the MPA degree is versatile, graduates are expected to have careers for the public good throughout the public, nonprofit, and private sectors.

## RUMBIDZAI MASANGO | STUDENT

COUNTRY OF ORIGIN: ZIMBABWE

*“My work experience in Zambia is what propelled me to actively pursue my Master’s degree. To be a change maker it was clear that a policy degree would be essential. It was after discussing this decision to further my studies with my mentor that he recommended the MPA degree at the School of Public Policy.”*



## MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (TWO YEARS)

The curriculum design reflects the importance for students to acquire knowledge, skills, and practical experience. Through the Passion Project and summer internship, students apply and put into practice the knowledge and skills learned in the classroom.

### MPA CURRICULUM

#### CORE

- Evolution of Modern Governance
- Policy Analysis
- Public Administration
- Economic Analysis
- Qualitative and Quantitative Methods
- Ethics: Politics and Policy as a Moral Problem
- International Law

#### AREAS OF CONCENTRATION

- Regional and Global Governance
- Human Security and Sustainable Development
- Global Media and Communication

#### SAMPLE ELECTIVES

- Human Rights Advocacy
- The Study of Violent Conflict
- Africa, Asia, and the Politics of South-South Development
- International Democracy Support and Stress
- Financial Crises in Economic and Historical Perspective
- Digital Networks, Democracy, and Dictatorship
- International Policymaking in Practice
- Social Movements and Social Change

## PASSION PROJECT

The Passion Project is a student-designed, policy-oriented capstone project. Over the course of the two-year program, each student team will identify a concrete policy challenge for a different client and develop a high-quality, policy-relevant product outlining a recommended response. The product aims to help improve the client's performance and meet its policy objectives.

### SKILLS FOR IMPACT

The Skills for Impact (SFI) program is an integrated set of practical modules designed to enhance students' leadership skills for improving public policy. Among the courses offered are strategic leadership, negotiation, project management, policy writing, budgeting and fundraising, advocacy, and crisis and risk management.

*Join a new global institution committed to creating a community of purpose beyond power.*

## QUICK FACTS

### Diverse Community

Students from five continents

### Small Class Sizes

7:1 student-faculty ratio

### Policy Research Centers

Covering policy issues in conflict negotiation and resolution, and media and communication

## GENERAL ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

- Complete online application: [www.ceu.hu/apply](http://www.ceu.hu/apply)
- Proof of English proficiency
- Letters of recommendation
- Curriculum vitae

## PROGRAM ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- General CEU admissions requirements
- BA degree or its equivalent
- Statement of purpose
- Short essays
- Phone interview by invitation

## PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS

- One to seven years of work experience (e.g., any combination of professional or volunteer experience)
- Some international experience (e.g., working, living, or studying abroad)
- GRE test scores

## CONNECT WITH SPP

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Follow us on Twitter @SPPCEU and find us on Facebook (CEU School of Public Policy) or email [spp@ceu.hu](mailto:spp@ceu.hu)

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## FINANCIAL AID

CEU is committed to attracting talented students and scholars from around the world. The University provides a variety of financial aid options for which applicants from any country are eligible to apply.

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- **CEU Master's Degree Fellowships** (full or partial) include a full tuition Scholarship, housing in the CEU Residence Center, and health insurance. Fellowship recipients also receive a monthly stipend to cover living expenses.

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- **CEU Master's Degree Tuition Scholarships** (full or partial) cover between 50 and 100 percent of tuition expenses.

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- **Student Loans**  
CEU offers loan packages to eligible students to help cover the cost of their education. Direct Student Loans and Canada Student Loans are available for eligible U.S. and Canadian citizens.

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Central European University is an English-language, graduate university located in Budapest, Hungary.

CEU offers programs in the social sciences, humanities, law, public policy, business management, economics, environmental sciences and policy, and mathematics.

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