

MSc in Public Policy and Management oral admission exam requirements 2025A central admission procedure

Name(s) of graduate program(s)	MSc in Public Policy and Management
Type of the exam	Oral
Name of the exam	Assessment of Motivation and Professional Background
Duration of the exam	20 minutes
Method of the exam	online
Short description of the exam	<p>1.Introduction (4')</p> <p>a. Please, summarize briefly your academic and professional progress so far. [if applicant is currently working] Why did you choose your current job?</p> <p>b. What are you proud of from your academic and professional career?</p> <p>c. [if applicant is currently working] Is your current job related to your previous studies?</p> <p>[if the job is related] Give an example of a work project where you applied the acquired skills in practice. What would you do differently in the future?</p> <p>2.Assessment of motivation (8')</p> <p>a. Why did you decide to continue your studies at the master's level at this point in your career?</p> <p>b. Why would you like to study at Corvinus University of Budapest?</p> <p>c. What would you like to achieve by completing this program? How did you choose this program?</p> <p>d. What are your professional plans and prospects after completing our program?</p> <p>e. In your opinion, what are your main strengths and weaknesses? f. Do you have any questions to us?</p> <p>3.Assessment of academic competence (based on readings, 8')</p> <p>a. Explain one of the main social / economic issues with which the study is concerned.</p> <p>b. Is that policy problem relevant in your country? [if the issue is relevant to applicant] Please elaborate it.</p> <p>d. What sort of policy solutions are proposed in the study? Do you agree with them?</p> <p>e. [if the issue is not relevant to applicant] Explain a related, major social / economic policy problem of your country. What type of policies can be used to solve the problem?</p> <p>Throughout the interview we assess whether the applicant ...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • possesses the attitudes necessary to study and practice the program's area of knowledge: problem-oriented, analytical, open to different views, communicative; • has a general overview of the area; • presents their views convincingly, utilizing proper academic English; • gives thoughtful, competent answers to the interview questions; • is able to reason coherently, considering arguments for and against a position.
Materials that can be used during the exam	-

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<p>Recommended reading materials. Please choose at least one.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CORE Team (2019): Economy, Society, and Public Policy (available at: https://www.core-econ.org/espp/book/text/0-3-contents.html) 2. Overview: Learning to realize education's promise. World Development Report 2018: Learning to Realize Education's Promise. (available at: https://www.worldbank.org/en/publication/wdr2018) 3. The changing nature of work. World Development Report 2019: The Changing Nature of Work. Chapter 1. (available at: https://www.worldbank.org/en/publication/wdr2019) 4. World Bank Group (2019) Action Plan on Climate Change Adaptation and Resilience (available at: https://pubdocs.worldbank.org/en/519821547481031999/WBG-Action-Plan-on-Climate-Change-Adaptation-and-Resilience-FINAL.pdf) 5. Finance for an Equitable Recovery (World Development Report 2022: Finance for an Equitable Recovery Chapter 1. available at: https://www.worldbank.org/en/publication/wdr2022) 6. World Health Organisation (WHO) (2015) State of Inequality: Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn and Child Health (available at: https://iris.who.int/bitstream/handle/10665/164590/9789241564908_eng.pdf?sequence=1)
<p>Topics. Please choose at least one.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Public policy and economic development 2. Education policy challenges 3. Labour market policies and changing nature of work 4. Climate change adaptation policies 5. Government response to economic risks stemming from the pandemic 6. Health policy and inequalities
<p>Sample questions</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Explain the main social / economic issues and the related public policy dilemmas with which the study is concerned. b. What is the relevance of that policy issue in your country? Explain briefly the policy context and the main policy challenges. c. What sort of policy solutions are proposed in the study? What are the major pros and cons of the proposed solutions?