



M.Sc. Public Policy & Human Development

Maastricht University
United Nations University



Welcome!

- Double degree: UM and UNU
- Public policy matters!
- MPP: curriculum, students, instructors
- Careers and employability
- Student perspective:  Demos Study Assoc.
- Alumni perspective

Double-Degree Master of Science

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Study at two universities —
obtain diplomas from both!

All classes take place here in Maastricht

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United Nations
University

- Think tank of the UN
- Advising UN, EU, national governments
- MERIT leading on innovation, development economics
- CRIS key regional integration institute
- EHS leading on sustainability (IPCC report)



Maastricht University

- Strong in economics, law and political science
- Reputation for education
- Governance: working with ILO, WB, Unicef, OECD, etc.
- Projects in Afghanistan, China, Egypt, Kenya, Mexico, Russia, South Africa, Spain ...

*We train you to be
policy analysts & policy makers*

1. Analyzing and understanding societal problems
2. Collecting and evaluating solutions
3. Implementing programs to address the problems

Public Policy Matters

Our societies face hard challenges:

- Build adequate, affordable **health care & pensions**
- Structure **migration** in a way that allows for integration and mutual benefit
- Shape **trade** and **development aid** to benefit all parties
- Build **resilient societies** capable of dealing with risk
- Stimulate **innovation** and development
- Enable **regional integration**

Specialization Tracks

-  Social Protection Policy
-  Migration Studies
-  Risk & Vulnerability
-  Innovation, Institutions & Development
-  Regional Integration & Multi-Level Governance
-  Foreign Policy & Development
-  ... or a mix of course from 2+ specializations

Policy *for* Human Development

- Societal challenges are inherently complex and multi-disciplinary
- Solutions are driven by goals: Human Development
- Good policy is based on evidence
- Evidence and methods can come from many disciplines across the social, natural and technical sciences

Thesis Topics

“Escalation through Education: The Major Drivers of **Upward Mobility** in Indonesia”

“Determinants of **food security** and nutrition in a conflict environment”

“Understanding the **livelihood impacts** of Uganda’s Senior Citizens Grant”

“Scaling Up **Access to Medicines** by Strengthening Public Sector Health Commodity Supply Chains”

One Year Intensive Program

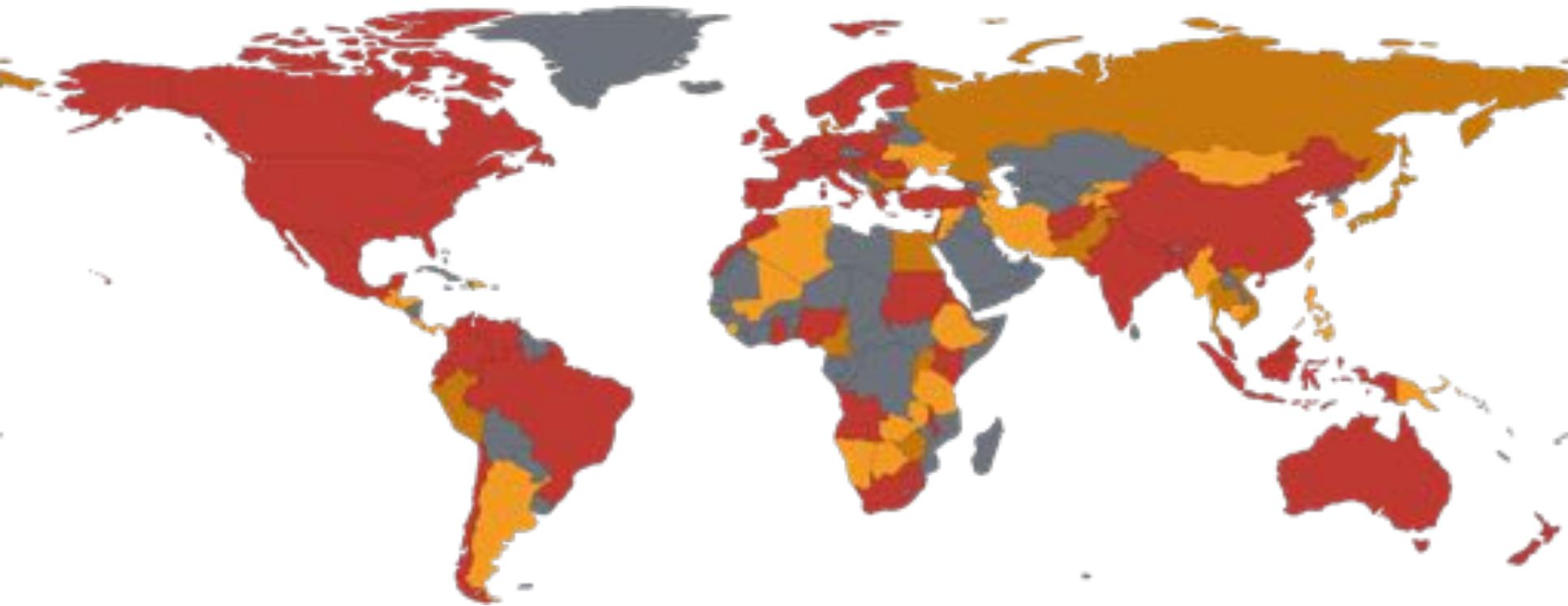
	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan						
Fall Semester	Public Policy	Public Economics	Policy Analysis		Thesis Proposal						
	Data & Statistics	Regression Analysis		Research Design							
Spring Semester	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug				
	Specialization 1	Specialization 2	Specialization 3	Specialization 4	Thesis						

Students Diverse

- Interdisciplinary or mono-disciplinary prior education
- Mature students and mid-career professionals are welcome
- We offer refreshers for poli-sci, econ and math/stats



Students International



2017/18 cohort

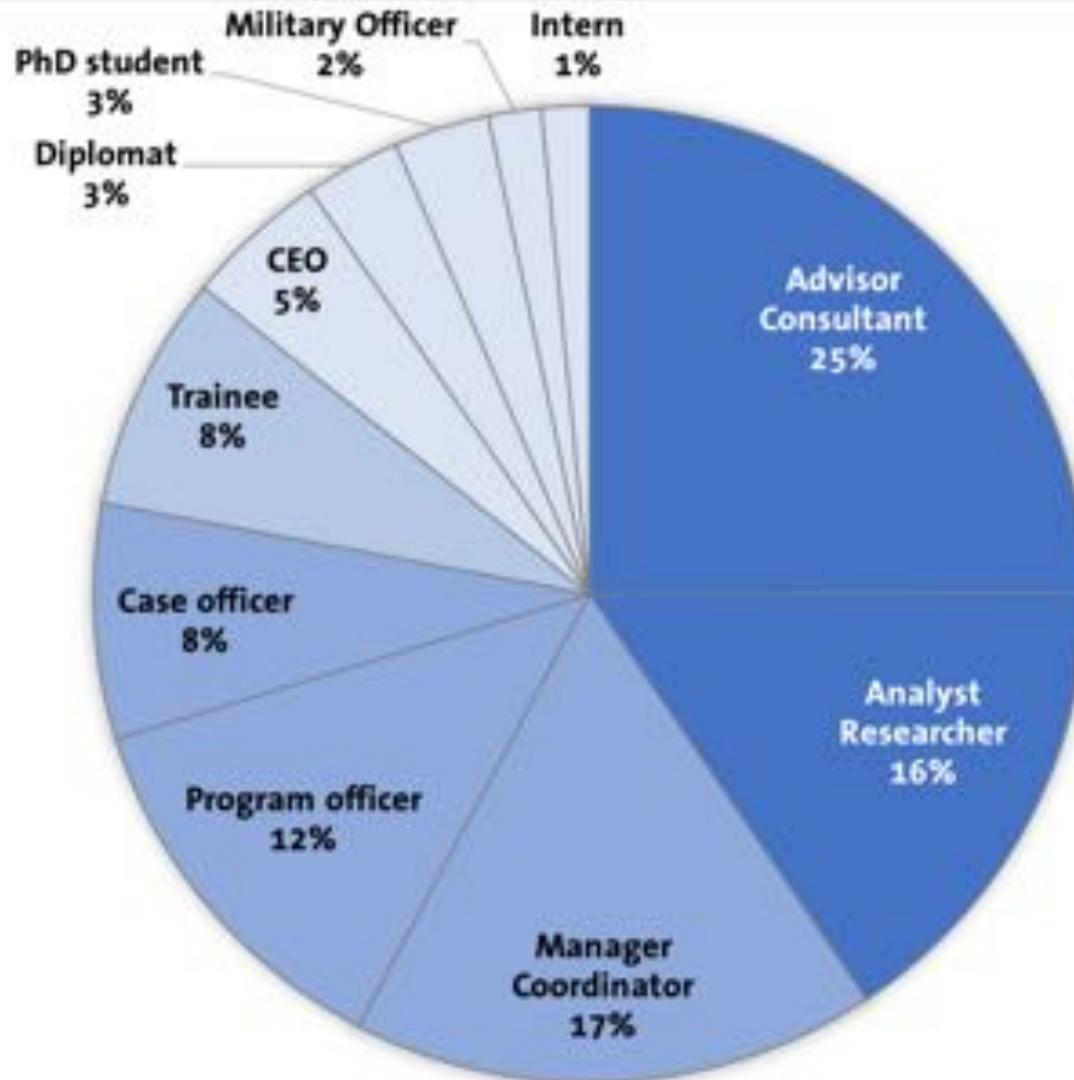
● Applied ● Admitted ● Enrolled

Instructors

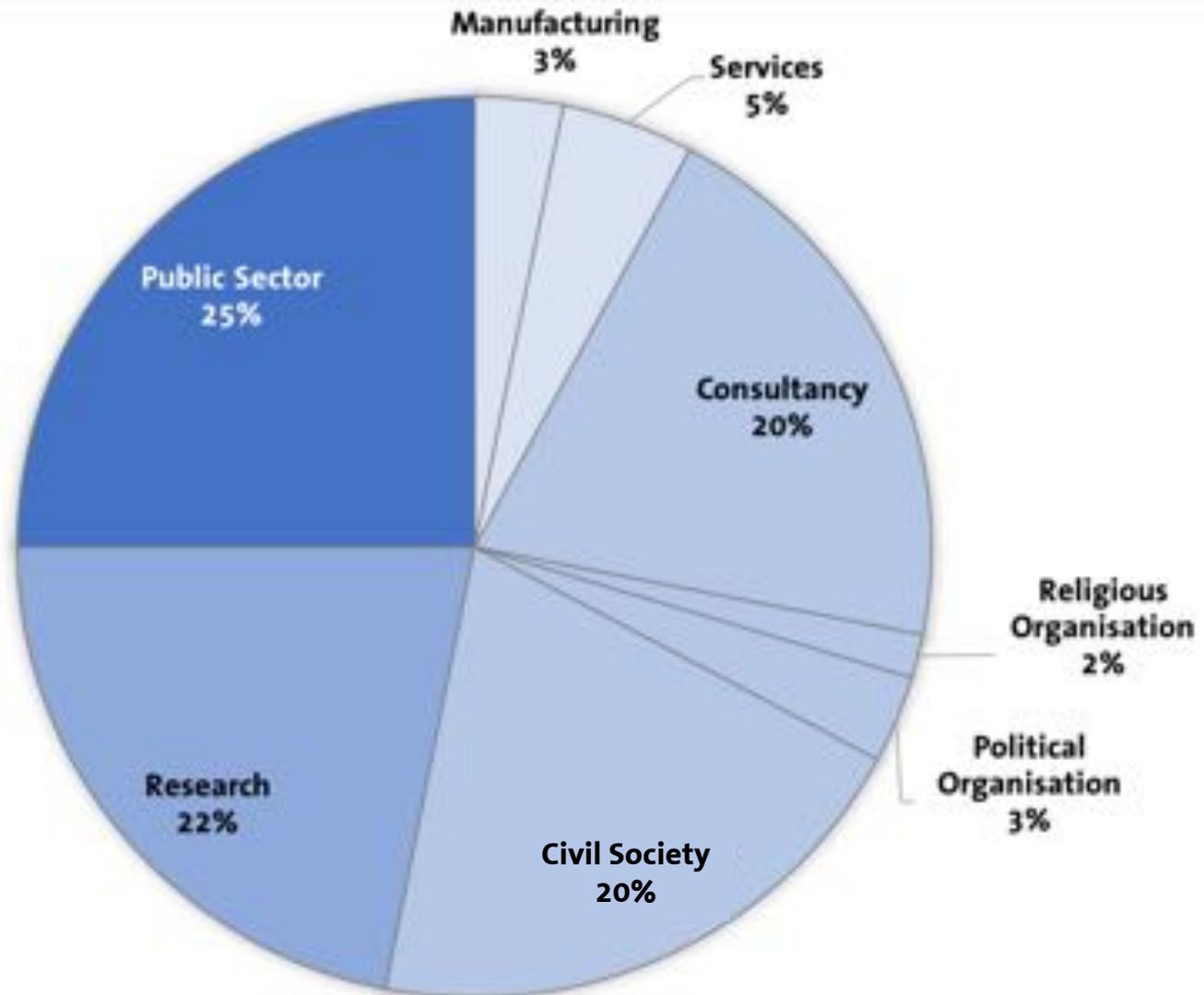
- Approx. 110 instructors for 120 students
- Emphasis on instructors with hands-on policy experience:
 - Current and former ILO staff
 - Founder of UNU-CRIS
 - Director of UNU-MERIT
 - IOM, UNHCR
 - Geneva Center for Security Policy



Career Perspectives Job Types



Career Perspectives Employers



Employability Career Programmes

- Application training
- Specialized career workshops
 - Getting a job in EU diplomacy
 - Opportunities at United Nations agencies
 - Planning for a career in Human Rights
 - Getting internships at the European Commission/Parliament, NATO (SHAPE), ...
- One-on-one career advising

Employability Services

- **Employability skills days**
 - Nonviolent communication
 - Building your personal brand online
 - Design thinking in public policy
 - Persuasive writing
- **Internship opportunities**

Thanks for Listening!

Ask any questions...



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www.maastrichtuniversity.nl/governance
www.merit.unu.edu



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Application Procedure

- **Deadlines** EU/EEA: 15 July — Others: 15 June
- **Documents** essay; letters of motivation and recommendation (x2); copies of diploma,* transcript,* and passport; TOEFL/IELTS/Cambridge;† CV; passport photo
- **Rolling admission** Response 2-6 weeks after submission of complete application
- **No *numerus fixus* or *numerus clausus***

* *Certified*

† *Exemption for native speakers and students who completed a prior degree in English*