## The University of the West Indies, Mona DEPARTMENT OF GOVERNMENT

 Master of Philosophy (MPhil)The pursuit of knowledge through higher research degree programmes not only leads to a well-educated society and a highly trained professional work force, but also contributes significantly to the University's research and scholarship. The aim of the PhD program is to provide research training in a manner that fosters the development of independent research skills in candidates. These skills include the capacity to formulate a significant problem, to develop a mastery of appropriate conceptual and methodological skills, and to relate the research topic to a broader framework of knowledge in the relevant disciplinary area.

## Course Structure

Students are able to combine their applied interests and training in public policy with broader exposure to political theory and institutions offered through the doctoral programme. The degree is designed to attract motivated students interested in both politics and policy who desire to pursue positions for applied research, teaching, or evaluation and consulting in universities, non-profit, private or government organizations.

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## About the Master of Philosophy

The degree of Master of Philosophy (MPhil) is awarded on the basis of a thesis, prepared under supervision, which presents the results of original research in a scholarly form. The thesis should demonstrate the candidate's knowledge of the research topic an the disciplines it embraces, as judged by independent experts, applying accepted contemporary international standards.

## Course Overview

The Master of Philosophy allows candidates to develop in-depth knowledge, expertise and skills through the application of research to national and international problems and issues. Students gain experience in the design and implementation of research methodologies and make contributions to any existing body of knowledge by applying, clarifying or interpreting that knowledge.

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