Course Title	:	Workshop for Smart Governance
Course Code	:	PMS4202
Recommended Study Year	:	2
No. of Credits/Term		3
Mode of Tuition	:	Lecture-Tutorial
Class Contact Hours	:	2-hour lecture per week
		2-hour bi-weekly tutorial
Category in Major Prog.	:	Required
Discipline	:	Interdisciplinary
Prerequisite(s)	:	N/A
Co-requisite(s)	:	N/A
Exclusion(s)	:	N/A
Exemption Requirement(s)	:	N/A

Brief Course Description

This workshop course aims to expose students to analyse issues related to the introduction of new technology in public sector management and urban governance. Special attention will be given to reflect upon the increasingly governance issues related to citizens' perceptions of the newly introduced devices in monitoring transport mobility, people mobility, and other forms of public management measures. Students will do some highly interactive activities such as case studies, role plays, and field research. They will be guided to analyse the complicated issues when introducing new governance measures when privacy issue and data management issues are becoming increasingly sensitive to the general public. This workshop course will engage students in conducting small-scale research related to different governance reform issues, facilitating students to consider how public sector management can be enhanced when governance is highly politicized. Students are expected to have active participation in the workshop course, engaging in group presentations and reports on selected topics and write an independent reflective essay after attending the workshop.

Aims

This course aims to:
1. Help students to review and study some key concepts in smart governance
2. Lead students to apply some key concepts and theories in urban governance to addressing challenging smart governance issues
3. Enhance students' critical thinking and problem-solving skills through interactive activities
4. Facilitate students to improve their presentation and analytical skills through the diverse workshop learning activities
5. Facilitate students to make use of social sciences research methods for analysing policy and governance issues

Learning Outcomes (LOs)

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:
1. Review and study some key theories and approaches in smart governance
2. Apply the theories in urban governance in analyzing some cases and practical issues related to smart governance
3. Reflect critically major urban governance issues especially citizens' concerns about privacy and data management related issues when society is becoming more politicized
4. Improve their critical thinking skills, problem-solving skills through joining interactive activities such as debates, role plays and case studies
5. Apply social sciences research methods for analysing public management and smart governance issues

Indicative Content
1. Review key theories and concepts in smart governance
2. Case studies of smart governance and citizens' responses from comparative perspectives
3. Interactive activities such as the role-play, debate, group projects and field research
4. Apply social sciences research methods in analysing policy / governance issues
5. Group presentation on selected topic/issue
6. Reflective essay on the workshop

Teaching Method

Lecture-tutorial mode. Students will closely interact with the instructors to carry out the tasks.

Measurement of Learning Outcomes

Learning Outcomes	Group Presentation	Group Report	Reflective Essay
1. Review and study some key theories and approaches in public management (particularly for human resources management, public finacing management and risk management)	✓	✓	✓
2. Apply the theories in public management in analyzing some cases and practical issues	✓	✓	✓
3. Work together with other students in fulfilling the tasks set in the interactive activities	✓	✓	✓
4. Improve their critical thinking skills, problem solving skills through joining the interactive activities such as the debates, role plays and case studies.	✓	✓	✓

Assessment
Continuous assessment:
30% group presentation
40% group report
30% reflective essay

Essential Readings

Paulin, A. (2018) *Smart City Governance*, New York: Elsevier Science Publishing Co.
Alizadeh, T. (2021) *Global Trends of Smart Cities: A Comparative Analysis of Geography, City Size, Governance, and Urban Planning*, New York: Elsevier Science Publishing Co.
Pierre, J. (2011) *The Politics of Urban Governance*, New York: Palgrave Macmillan.
Aust, H. P. and Plessis, A.D. (eds.) (2020) *The Globalisation of Urban Governance*, London: Routledge.
Schragger, R. (2016) *City Power: Urban Governance in a Global Age*, Oxford University Press.

Important Notes:
1. Students are expected to spend on average a total of 9 hours (i.e. 3 hours of class contact and 6 hours of personal study) per week to achieve the course learning outcomes.
2. Students shall be aware of the University regulations about dishonest practice in coursework, tests and examinations, and the possible consequences as stipulated in the Regulations Governing University Examinations and Course Work. In particular, plagiarism, being a kind of dishonest practice, is "the presentation of another person's work without proper acknowledgement of the source, including exact phrases, or summarised ideas, or even footnotes/citations, whether protected by copyright or not, as the student's own work". Students are required to strictly follow university regulations governing academic integrity and honesty.
3. Students are required to submit writing assignment(s) using Turnitin.
4. To enhance students' understanding of plagiarism, a mini-course "Online Tutorial on Plagiarism Awareness" is available on https://pla.ln.edu.hk/.