

# CCS251e Policy Making in China

**Level:** 2

**Credit Units:** 5 Credit Units

**Language:** ENGLISH

**Presentation Pattern:** EVERY JAN

**E-Learning:** FULL - Learning is done ENTIRELY online using interactive study materials in Canvas. Students receive guidance and support from online instructors via discussion forums and emails. There are no face-to-face sessions. If the course has an exam component, this will be administered on-campus.

## **Synopsis:**

CCS251 Policy Making in China examines how public policies are formulated, rationalized and implemented in China. Public policies in the Chinese economy and social sector are examined, dispelling the myth of a monolithic, top-down Leninist policy-making process. Instead, there have always been significant policy variations and experimentations throughout China and the bureaucratic system has always been pluralist and fragmented both horizontally and vertically. The making of public policies in China is characterized by protracted bargaining and incremental consensus-building. Students learn to appreciate the particularistic ways in which public policies are made and come to understand the complex problems of governing China.

## **Topics:**

- Theoretical Models of Policy-making
- Participants and Factors in Policy-making
- The Formal and Informal Processes of Policy-making
- Policy Implementation and Distortion
- Central-local Relations in Policy Implementation
- Coordination Mechanisms
- Policy Innovation and Initiative
- Economic Policy
- Social Policy
- Foreign Policy
- Policies on Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan
- Shortcomings of Public Policy-making in China

## **Textbooks:**

: Tony Saich, Governance and Politics of China  
ISBN-13: 9781137445278

**Learning Outcome:**

- Demonstrate basic knowledge in public policy making in China;
- Apply political science and public administration concepts and theories to public policy making in China;
- Discuss the variables in shaping particular policies in the ways they are in practice;
- Appraise the effectiveness and limitations of public policies in China.
- Analyze how public policies are formulated and implemented in China;
- Examine problems in public policies and suggest practical solutions.

**Assessment Strategies (Evening Class):**

<b>Components</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Weightage Allocation (%)</b>
Overall Continuous Assessment	PRE-CLASS QUIZ 1	5
	PRE-CLASS QUIZ 2	5
	TUTOR-MARKED ASSIGNMENT 1	15
	TUTOR-MARKED ASSIGNMENT 2	25
Overall Examinable Components	ECA	50
<b>Total</b>		<b>100</b>