



# M.Sc. Public Policy & Human Development

Maastricht University

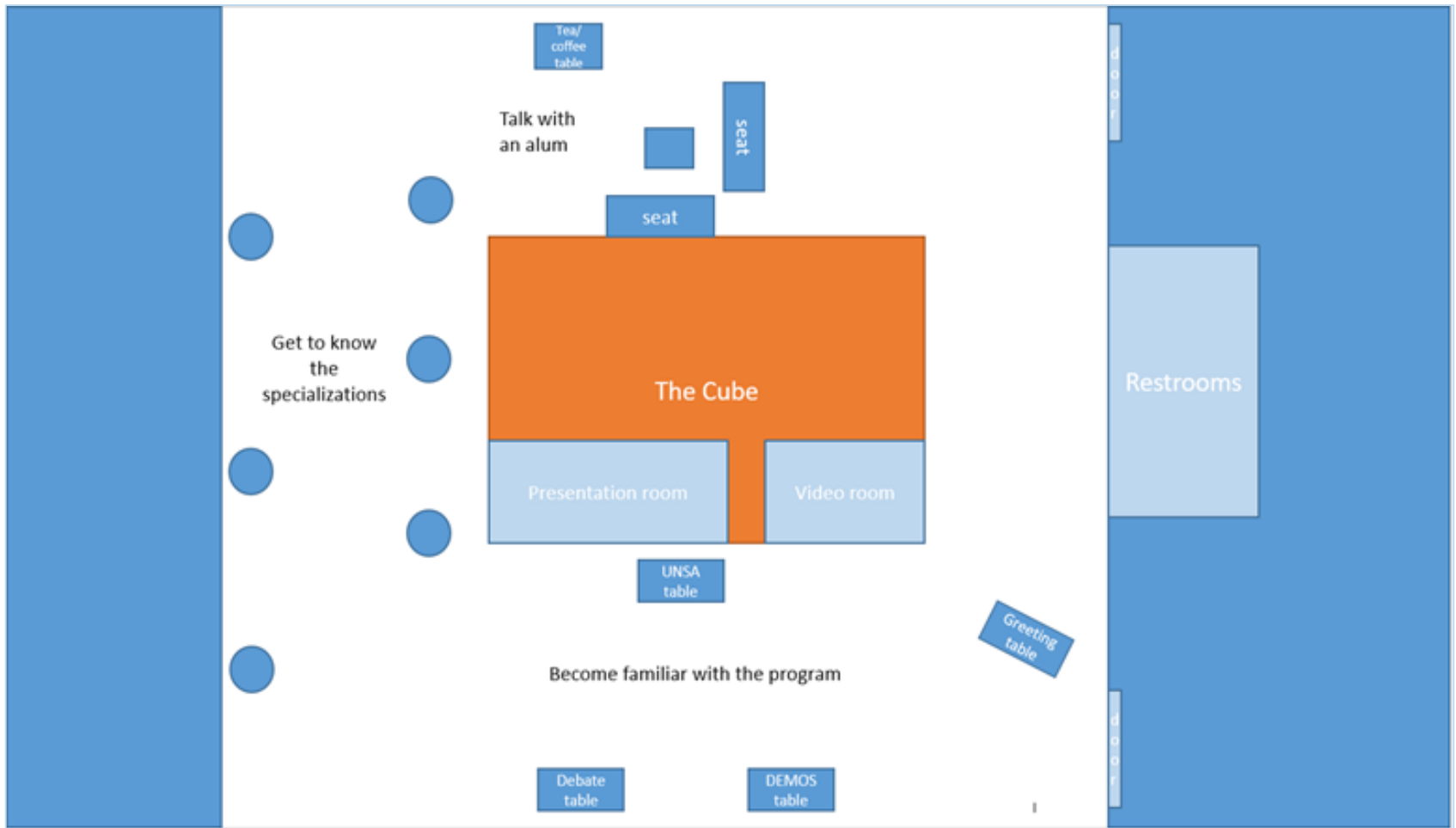
United Nations University



# Welcome!

- Introduction to the programme
- **Walk** to Boschstraat 24  
6211 AX Maastricht
- **Meet** representatives of the specializations
- **Meet** current MPP fellows
- **Meet** the alumni





# Double-Degree Master of Science

## **Double-Degree**

Study at two universities —  
obtain diplomas from both!

All classes take place here in Maastricht

# Double-Degree Master of Science



United Nations  
University

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



Maastricht University

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

# What is Public Policy?



# Policy for Human Development

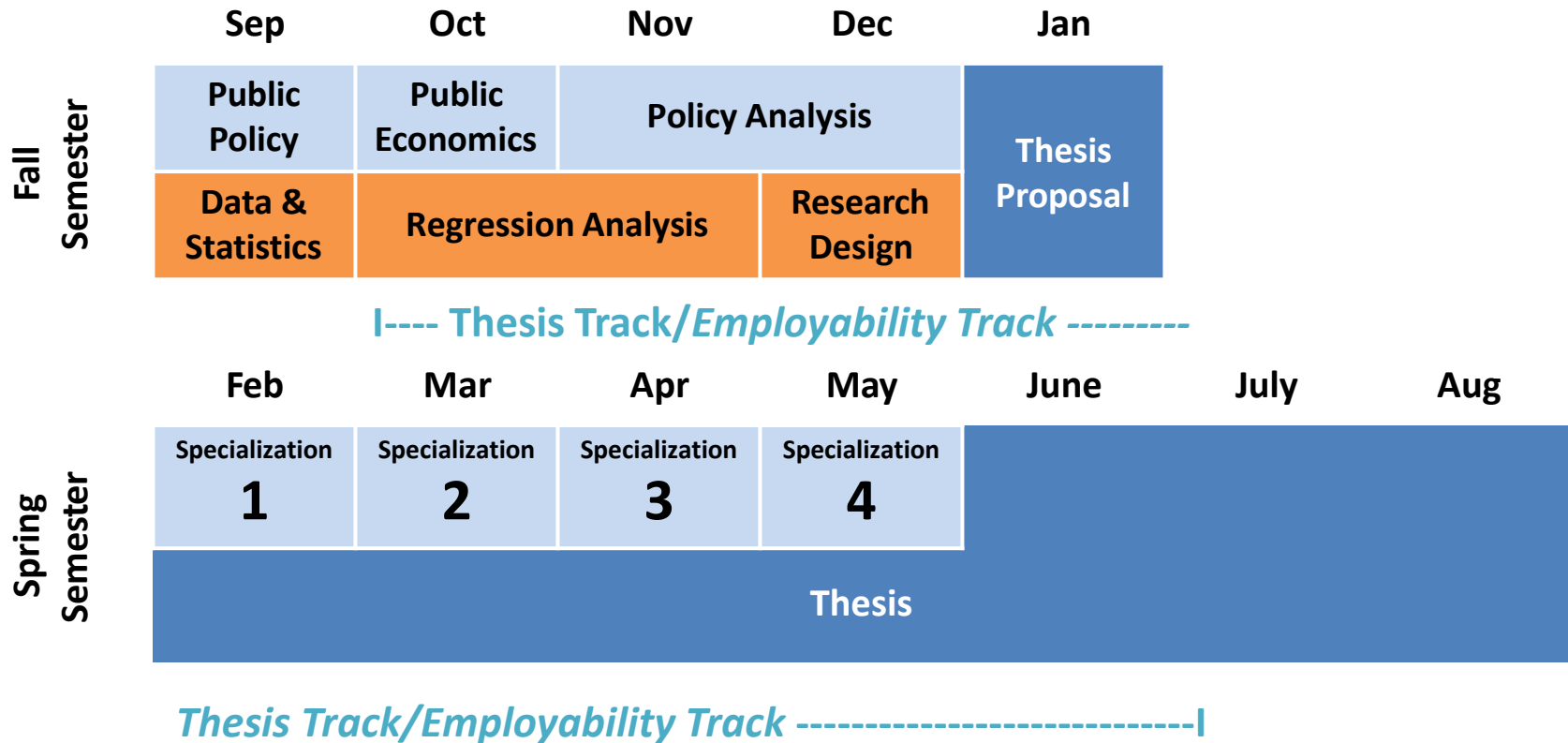
- Societal challenges are inherently complex and multi-disciplinary
- Solutions are driven by goals: Human Development
- Good policy is based on evidence
- Evidence and methods can come from many disciplines across the social, natural and technical sciences

*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



# One Year Intensive Program



# Specialization Tracks

-  Social Protection Policy
-  Migration Studies
-  Risk & Vulnerability
-  Governance of Innovation
-  Regional Integration & Multi-Level Governance
-  Foreign Policy & Development
-  Social Entrepreneurship and Public Policy
- ... or a free elective

# Thesis Topics

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

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

“Lifelong Learning and **Policy Thinking** for the 21st Century”

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

# Opportunities Employability Track

- Specialized workshops – *Intercultural communication, Tips as a non-EU*
- One-on-one career advising
- Mentorship
- Career prep workshops – *CV, motivation letter*
- Internships opportunities
- Networking event

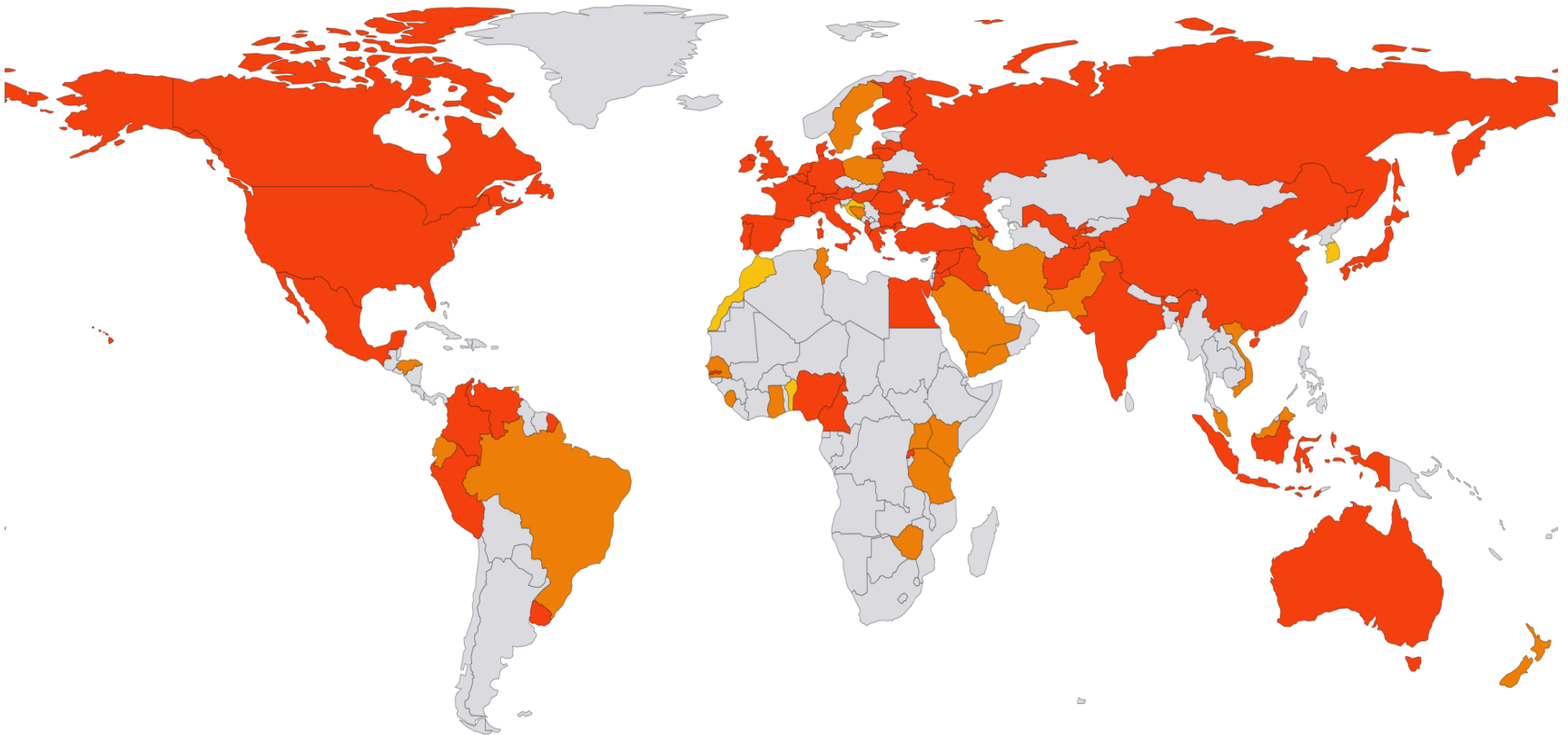


# Other Opportunities

- Thesis Work Days
- UNU Simulation
- NASPAA Simulation
- Trips organized by DEMOS



# Students International

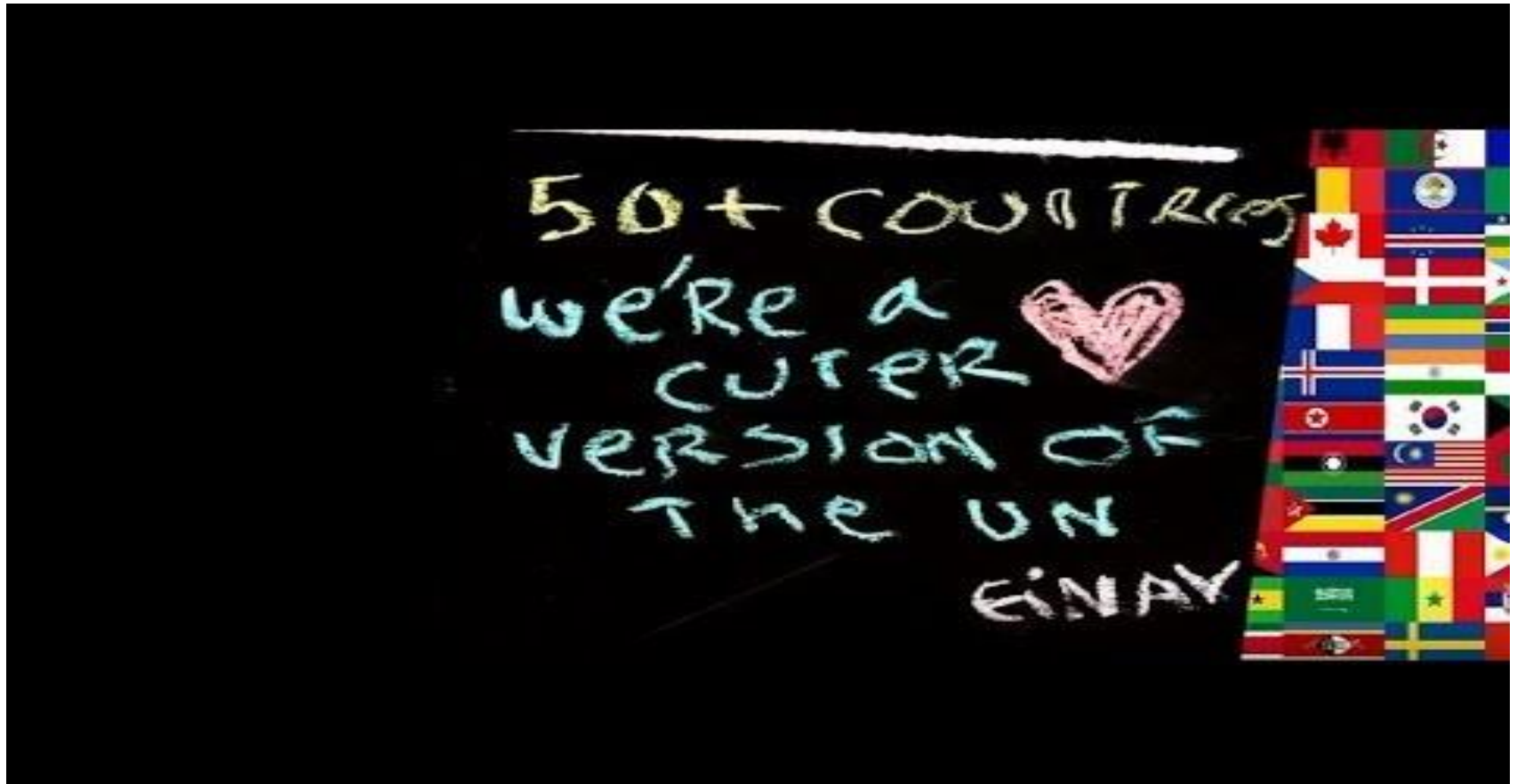


**Cohort 2019/2020**

Admitted

Applied

# Students International



# Students Diverse

- Interdisciplinary or mono-disciplinary prior education
- Mature students and mid-career professionals are welcome



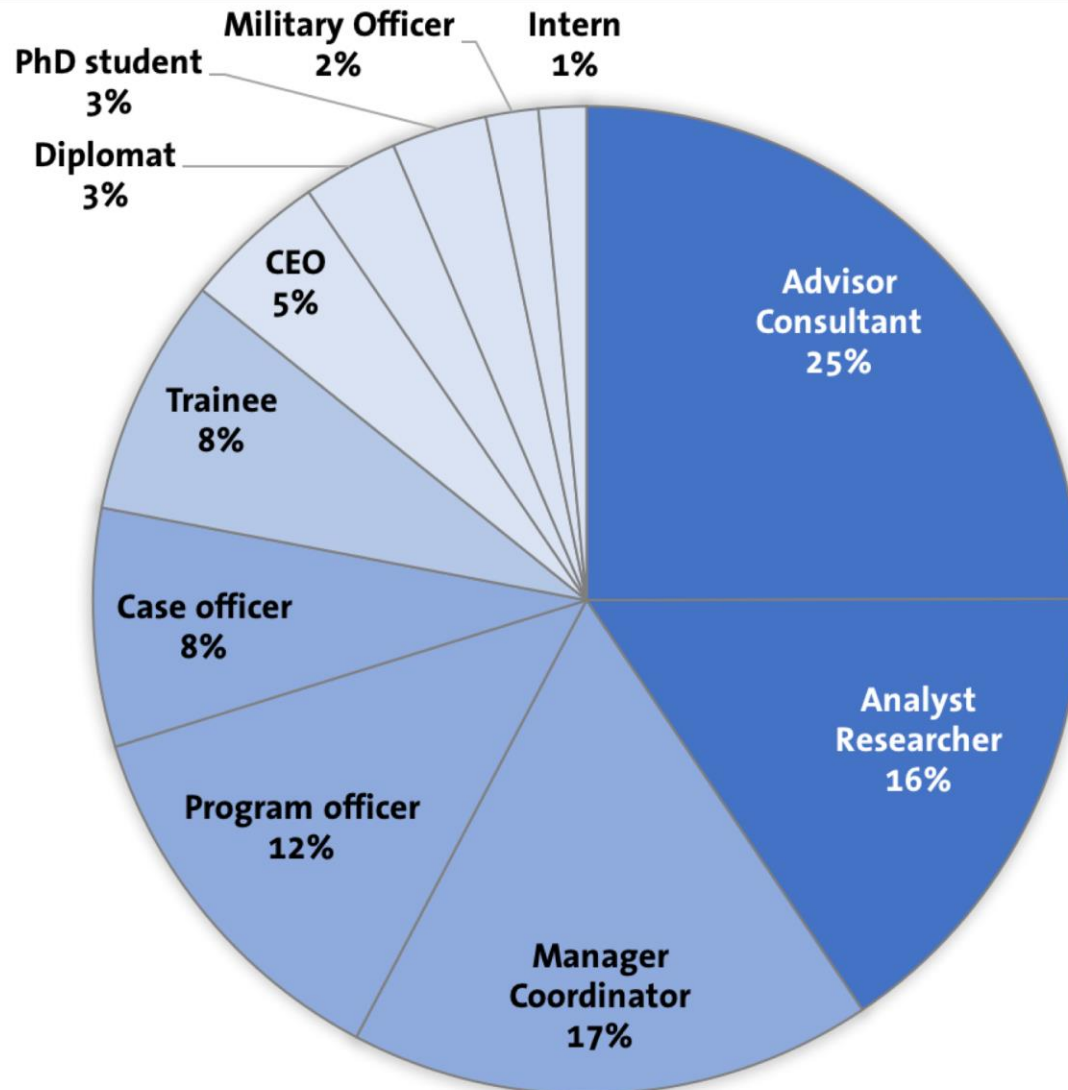


# Instructors

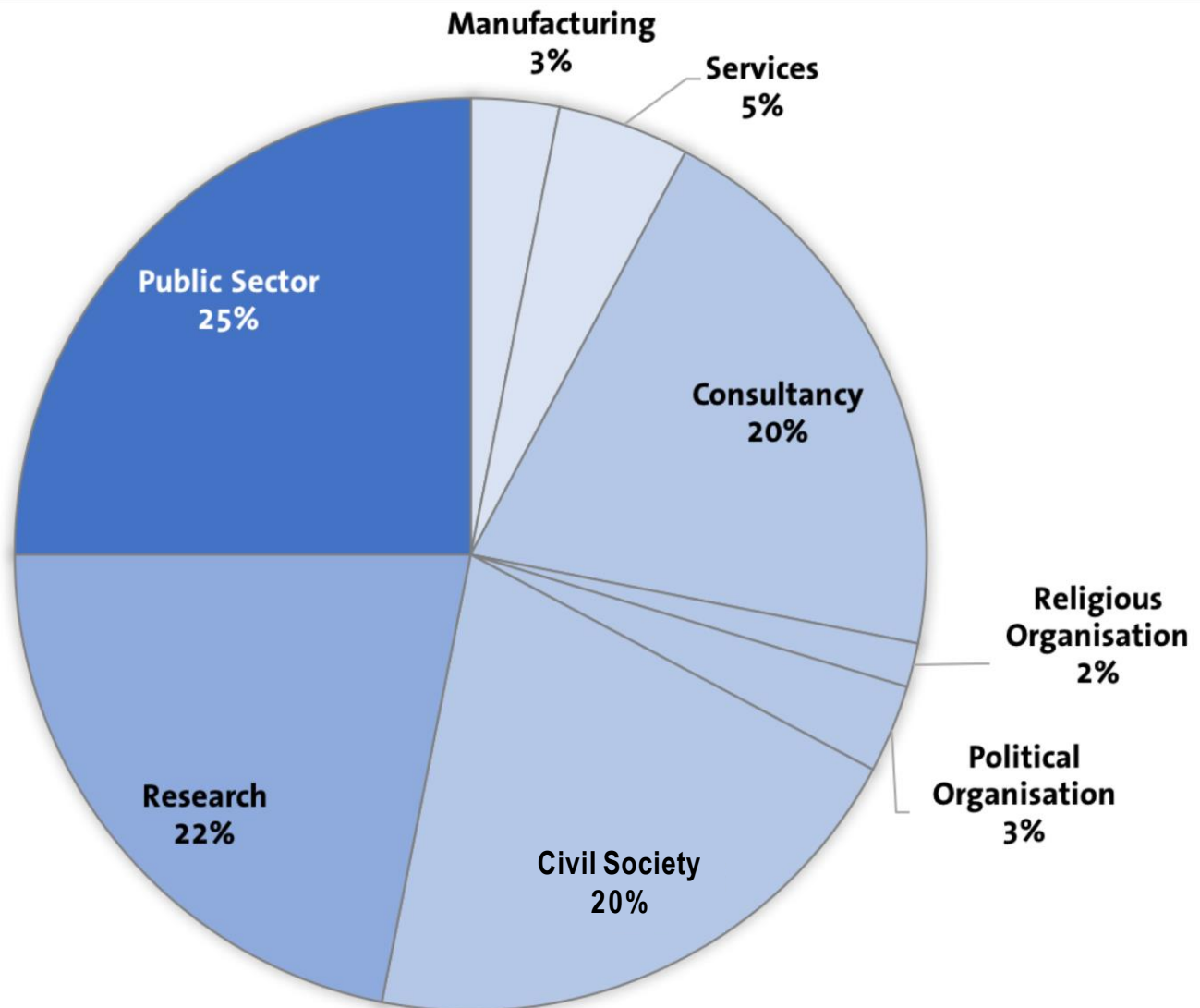
- Approx. 110 instructors for 120 students
- Emphasis on instructors with hands-on policy experience:
  - Current and former staff from ILO
  - Founder of UNU-CRIS
  - Director of UNU-MERIT
  - Researchers from UNU-EHS
  - Staff from IOM...



# Career Perspectives Job Types



# Career Perspectives Employers



# Alumni Perspective



# 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*

# The MPP in a Nutshell



# Thanks for Joining!

Ask any questions...



Check out our brochure and websites  
[www.maastrichtuniversity.nl/governance](http://www.maastrichtuniversity.nl/governance)  
[www.merit.unu.edu](http://www.merit.unu.edu)



Visit our information booths!

Stay in touch!

An illustration of a university building with a tree and people. The building has several windows and a sign that reads 'UNU MERIT'. A tree with bare branches and small red flowers is in the foreground. A green street lamp is on the right. In the foreground, there are several people: a woman with glasses and a backpack, a woman with a backpack, and a group of three people talking. There are also several bicycles parked in the foreground.

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