Anyone who wishes to enroll in one or two courses at The Heller School for Social Policy and Management, but not formally matriculate, may do so as a Special Student. No more than two courses (maximum of eight credits) taken for credit may be transferable to degree candidacy if the student is admitted to the PhD program, M.P.P. or the M.B.A. No more than four credits (two module courses or one full-semester course) may be transferable to degree candidacy if the student is admitted to the M.S. or M.A. programs Sustainable International Development or Conflict Resolution and Coexistence. Successful completion of a course(s) as a Special Student does not guarantee admission into any degree program. Special Students are considered with all other applicants to the Heller School.

Admissions Procedure: Course schedules and descriptions can be found on The Heller School’s website http://heller.brandeis.edu. Once you have decided what course(s) you want to take, please complete a Special Student Application, submit transcripts and a detailed resume that includes work experience and educational background. Do not send payment for the course at this time. Applications for Special Student Status must be received by the following dates: August 15 for the fall term, January 1 for the spring term, May 15 for the Summer I term, and July 1 for the Summer II term. Email, mail or deliver the application, transcripts, and resume to the following address:

Welby Gonzalez  
Assistant Director Academic Affairs and Student Experience  
wgonzalez@brandeis.edu  
Room 156  
The Heller School for Social Policy and Management  
Brandeis University  
415 South Street, MS 035  
Waltham, MA 02453-9110

Notification: Completed applications will be reviewed and processed by The Office of Academic and Student Services. The applicant will be notified in writing of a decision as soon as possible.

Registration and Course Enrollment: Once a student has been accepted into the course, a Special Student Registration Form is sent to you with your notification letter. Each Special Student must return the Special Student Registration Form to The Office of Student Records within the deadlines announced in the Academic Calendar.

Tuition and Payment: The per course tuition rate for the 2021-2022 academic year is $6,172 (full semester 4 credit course) and $3,086 (module 2 credit course). Payment can be made at the Office of Student Financial Services (http://www.brandeis.edu/offices/sfs/) in the USDAN building second floor.

Parking: You may obtain a parking permit application from the Office of Public Safety in the Stoneman building, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Monday-Friday. You may also complete the permit application online: http://www.brandeis.edu/publicsafety/parking/

Academic Year Refund Policy: No refund of the tuition fee will be made because of illness, absence or dismissal during the academic year. If a student withdraws, he or she may petition the Senior Administrative Officer for a partial refund of tuition in accordance with the following: before the opening day of instruction, 100% of course tuition; on or before the second Friday following the opening day of instruction, 75% of the course tuition; on or before the fifth Friday following the opening day of instruction, 50% of the course tuition; after the fifth Friday following the opening day of instruction, no refund. All refunds are subject to review and final approval by the University Controller and will be disbursed only upon written request.

Summer Refund Policy: Refunds for withdrawal from the summer sessions will be made as follows: 100% before the opening day of instruction and 50% before the second day of instruction. No refunds after the second day of instruction.

If you have any questions about the special student application please email:  
Welby Gonzalez (wgonzalez@brandeis.edu)
1. Please give us the following information:

   Social Security Number:_____________________________ Date of Birth:_____________________
   Name:________________________________________________
   Address:________________________________________________
   City:____________________________ State:________ Zip:_____________________
   Telephone:________________________________
   Email Address:________________________________________________________________________

2. Which course(s) do you want to take:

   __________________________                  __________________________                  __________________
   Course Number Course Name Semester
   __________________________                  __________________________                  __________________
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   __________________________                  __________________________                  __________________
   Course Number Course Name Semester

3. What is your reason for taking this course?

4. How did you hear about The Heller School?

   Signature:________________________________________________________ Date:____________

For Office Use Only:

   Signature of Instructor(s):________________________________________ Date:____________
   ________________________________________________________________ Date:____________
   ________________________________________________________________ Date:____________

   Signature of Assistant Director, Academic Affairs and Student Experience