

Urban and Regional Planning, Minor

The Urban and Regional Planning minor focuses on urban planning issues and offers opportunities to students to learn about the planning and development problems in our cities that we already face and those that we are likely to face in the next few decades. Students explore a number of ways to make our cities more equitable, inclusive, sustainable, and livable. Courses in the department provide important insights into the social, political, economic, historical, and cultural forces shaping urban areas. In addition, these courses offer students an excellent opportunity to prepare for graduate programs in related fields, including architecture, landscape architecture, urban and regional planning, public policy, law, business, public administration, public health, and social services.

The minor in Urban and Regional Planning requires two courses (UPPP 4: Introduction to Urban Studies; UPPP 107: Urban and Regional Planning) and seven upper-division UPPP courses.

Why should you consider minor in Urban Studies or in Urban and Regional Planning? You can learn more about the design and development of urban areas including the planning and design of sustainable neighborhoods, urban environmental problems, inequities in access to urban amenities, housing affordability crisis and transportation, climate change. Students could draw their own conclusions on how to address different types of urban problems from a variety of themes and perspectives including those that involve class, gender, and race.

Nine courses (36 units):

A. Complete:

UPPP 4	Introduction to Urban Studies
or UPPP 5	Introduction to Urban Planning and Policy
UPPP 107	Urban and Regional Planning

B. Select six of the following:

UPPP 102	Urban Inequality
UPPP 108	Cities and Transportation
UPPP 109	Housing and Urban Development Policy
UPPP 120	Introduction to GIS for Planning and Policy
UPPP 133	Environmental Law and Policy
UPPP 139	Water Resource Policy
UPPP 155	Urban Design Principles
UPPP 166	Urban Politics and Policy