BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN URBAN & REGIONAL PLANNING - POLICY





The urban planning program at Texas A&M addresses complex community problems. You'll learn to understand the needs of a viable community and how to approach its challenges.

Through service-learning experiences, you'll learn to design and develop the built environment. Prepare to solve the problems that interest you most by pursuing a policy or urban design emphasis.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Bachelor of Science in Urban and Regional Planning program prepares students to solve problems in communities across the state, nation, and world. Students learn to deal effectively with the opportunities and challenges inherent in the development and growth of communities.

POLICY TRACK

The policy track focuses on social and economic issues that can be addressed with policy solutions. You'll learn to assess problems, plan policy solutions, and evaluate the outcomes of programs and policies.

AREAS OF EMPHASIS

- Community development
- Transportation planning
- Housing
- Economic development
- Planning management/finance
- Parks and recreation
- Historic preservation
- Community activism/ empowerment

You will be well prepared for work in the public, private or non-profit sector. For policy track students seeking to further their education, our program also prepares you for graduate education in planning, law and other related fields.

CAREERS

Our program prepares students for careers in the public, private, and non-profit sectors or for further education in graduate programs.

PROGRAM SEMESTER CURRICULUM | CATALOG 145 (2022 - 23)

FIRST YEAR | FALL SEMESTER

Listing	Class	Credits
ENGL 104	Composition and Rhetoric	3
LAND 101	Introduction to Landscape Architecture Practice	1
MATH 140	Mathematics for Business and Social Sciences	3
POLS 206	American National Government	3
URPN 201	The Evolving City	3
American History ¹		3
Semester Credit Hours		16

FIRST YEAR | SPRING SEMESTER

Semester Credit Hours		15
URPN 202	Building Better Cities	3
POLS 207	State & Local Government	3
MATH 142	Business Calculus	3
ECON 202	Principles of Economics	3
ARCH 250	Survey of World Architecture History 2	3

Semester Credit Hours

SECOND YEAR | FALL SEMESTER

Semester Credit Hours		15
General Elective		3
Social and Behavioral Sciences Core Curriculum (SOCI 205 preferred)		3
URPN 210	Urban Analytical Methods 1	3
LAND 240	History of Landscape Architecture	3
ECCB 205	Fundamentals of Ecology	3

SECOND YEAR | SPRING SEMESTER

Semester Cr	edit Hours	16
General Elective		3
Sociology Requirement (upper level)**		3
American Histo	ory	3
Life and Physic	al Sciences Core Curriculum	4
URPN 310	Urban Analytical Methods 2	3

THIRD YEAR | FALL SEMESTER

Concentration	Planning Law Elective**	3
Concentration Elective**		5
URPN 302		3
URPN 220	Digital Communications 1	3
RWFM 375	Conservation of Natural Resources	3
ENGL 210	Technical Writing	3
ECCB 215	Fundamentals of Ecology Lab	1

THIRD YEAR | SPRING SEMESTER

Listing	Class	Credits
CARC 481	Seminar	1
URPN 325	Intro to GIS in Urban and Regional Planning	3
URPN 401	Policy Implementation	3
URPN 483	Studio in Urban & Regional Planning	4
URPN 330	Land Development	3
KINE 120 or ar	ny core science	1
Semester Credit Hours		15

FOURTH YEAR | FALL SEMESTER

	Internship or Field Studies in Design Innovation	6
Study Abroad or 2 Concentration Elective**		6
Semester Cr	edit Hours	6 or 12

FOURTH YEAR | SPRING SEMESTER

Semester Credit Hours		15
General Elective		4
Supporting Course**		3
URPN 493	Urban and Regional Planning Capstone	5
URPN 331	Public & Private Infrastructure Funding	3

For more details about each course, view the listings in the Texas A&M Course Catalog.

Subject to change

**See advisor for a list of approved courses.

A grade of C or better is required in courses under major coursework and supporting coursework.

Study abroad students will take CARC 301, CARC 311, and CARC 331. Other university courses will be approved individually through advisor.

Internship students will register for URPN 494 in 4th year, fall semester. Two approved supporting coursework courses must be taken in semesters other than fall 4th year.