

City Planning

In the School of Public Affairs
In the College of Professional Studies and Fine Arts

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General Information

The School of Public Affairs offers graduate study leading to the Master of City Planning degree. Research facilities provided include the Institute of Public and Urban Affairs and the Public Administration Center.

The San Diego metropolitan community affords significant internship opportunities for the graduate student in federal, state, and local government agencies.

Master of City Planning Degree

Admission to Graduate Study

All students must satisfy the general requirements for admission to the university with classified graduate standing, as described in Part Two of this bulletin. The student must possess a bachelor's or higher degree in sociology, geography, political science, economics, architecture, or landscape architecture, or any fields related to planning (students with degrees other than those listed may be allowed to enter the program under appropriate conditions). In the event that deficiencies occur in a student's background and training, the graduate committee will examine the student's past record and recommend a program to make up the deficiencies.

Students seeking admission to the graduate program in urban planning which leads to the Master of City Planning degree should address their inquiries to the director of the program. Detailed instructions concerning application procedures will be sent to the applicant along with all necessary forms. As there are specific requirements for the program it is not sufficient merely to file the general university admission forms. Students are admitted to the program in the fall and spring semesters of each year.

Upon admission to the program, the student must meet with the graduate adviser to determine the number of units of internship needed to satisfy the degree requirements.

Students applying for admission should electronically submit the university application available at <http://www.csumentor.edu> along with the \$55 application fee.

All applicants must submit admissions materials separately to SDSU Graduate Admissions and to the School of Public Affairs.

Graduate Admissions

The following materials should be submitted as a complete package directly to:

Graduate Admissions
Enrollment Services
San Diego State University
San Diego, CA 92182-7416

- (1) Official transcripts (in sealed envelopes) from all postsecondary institutions attended;

Note:

- Students who attended SDSU need only submit transcripts for work completed since last attendance.
- Students with international coursework must submit both the official transcript and proof of degree. If documents

are in a language other than English, they must be accompanied by a certified English translation.

- (2) GRE scores (<http://www.ets.org>, SDSU institution code 4682);
- (3) TOEFL score, if medium of instruction was in a language other than English (<http://www.ets.org>, SDSU institution code 4682).

School of Public Affairs

The following materials should be submitted by November 1 (October 1 for international students) for admission for the spring semester and May 1 for the fall semester to:

School of Public Affairs
Graduate City Planning Program
San Diego State University
5500 Campanile Drive
San Diego, CA 92182-4505

- (1) Two letters of reference from persons in a position to judge the student's academic work and/or employment performance.

Advancement to Candidacy

All students must meet the general requirements for advancement to candidacy, as described in Part Two of this bulletin and be recommended by faculty. In order to be recommended for advancement, a student must have (1) achieved a grade point average of 3.0 in 15 units of city planning courses, or (2) passed satisfactorily a written examination in areas of deficiency. The examination will be offered at the end of the spring semester for all students who have completed 12 or more units of study toward the master's degree.

Specific Requirements for the Master of City Planning Degree

(Major Code: 02061)

In addition to meeting the requirements for classified graduate standing for the purpose of pursuing the Master of City Planning degree, the student must complete an approved program of studies consisting of at least 48 units of approved 500-, 600-, and 700-numbered courses, with no more than nine units of 500-level courses, to include:

1. PA 525 The U.S. City Planning Process (3)
CP 625 Quantitative Techniques in Urban Planning (3)
CP 630 Seminar in Urban Planning Implementation (3)
CP 640 Seminar in Urban Planning Theory (3)
CP 670 History of Urban Planning (3)
CP 690 Seminar in Land Use Planning Principles and Techniques (3)
CP 700 Urban Design and Land Use Planning Studio (6)
2. Twelve units of 600- and 700-numbered courses in planning elective courses, readings and research.
3. CP 796 Internship in Urban Planning (3-6) Cr/NC
4. PA 604 Methods of Analysis in Public and Urban Affairs (3)
5. Other electives to complete program selected with the approval of adviser.
6. Students in Plan B are required to pass comprehensive written examinations in general city planning and in three areas of study. Students who have approval of the graduate adviser to pursue Plan A must include on their programs City Planning 799A, Thesis. At least 39 units must be completed in residence at San Diego State University, and at least 24 units of program courses shall be enrolled in and completed after advancement to candidacy. Not more than a total of nine units in courses 797 and 798 will be accepted for credit toward the degree.