

MCRP Degree Requirements

Degree requirements for the Master of Community and Regional Planning (MCRP) include completion of a two-year, 48-credit program, including a required core (24 credits), electives (18-21 credits) and one of the following: qualifying exam (3 credits) or thesis (6 credits). The required core consists of CRP 561, 563, 564, 566, 568, 532 and 592. Students select electives in consultation with their Graduate Advisor.

Students with a bachelor's degree in planning or students who have taken highly relevant coursework may be able to waive up to 9 credits of course requirements. Students must petition the Graduate Coordinator in writing prior to the first day class of the student's first semester in the program to have credits waived.

Planning Core Required Courses

CRP 561	Planning Theory for Practice	3
CRP 563	Planning the American Metropolis	3
CRP 564	Introduction to Analytical Methods for Planning	3
CRP 566	Policy Analysis and Planning	3
CRP 568	Planning and Development	3
CRP 592	Land Use and Development Regulation Law	3
CRP 532	Community Planning Studio I	6

Satisfactory completion of the core requirements and passing the qualifying exam (3 credits) or acceptance of a thesis (6 credits) are also required for the MCRP degree. In addition, the student is encouraged to complete three months of acceptable work experience, such as an internship, in a planning office between the first and second year of study. No foreign language is required for the degree master of community and regional planning.

See sample course schedule for the two-year MCRP program below.

Sample MCRP Program Schedule (Total Credits Required: 48)

Fall: Year 1	Credit
563: Planning the American Metropolis	3
564: Introduction to Analytical Methods for Planning	3
Electives	6
Spring: Year 1	Credit
561: Planning Theory for Practice	3
566: Policy Analysis and Planning	3
Electives	6
Fall: Year 2	Credit
568: Planning and Development	3
592: Land Use and Development Regulation Law	3
Electives	6
Spring: Year 2	Credit
532: Community Planning Studio	6
Qualifying exam (3) OR 699: Thesis Research (6)	3-6
Electives	3-6

Electives:

- 511: Documenting the Historic Built Environment
- 516: Urban Design and Planning Practice
- 530: Practicum/Internship
- 535: Planning in Small Towns
- 545: Transportation Policy and Planning
- 550: Making Resilient Environments
- 551: Introduction to Geographic Information Systems
- 552: Geographic Data Management and Planning Analysis
- 553: Analytical Planning/GIS
- 554: Fundamentals of Remote Sensing
- 536: Community Economic Development
- 575: Grant Writing
- 579: Public Finance and Planning
- 590: Special Topics (consult major professor)

510: Professional Work Experience
517: Urban Revitalization
521: Historic Preservation Planning: Theory and Practice
529: International Planning
530: Practicum
542: Site Development
549: Geodesign
555: Smart Cities
556: GIS Programming and Automation
557: Geogames for Civic Engagement
558: Web Mapping and Spatial Data Visualization
560: Social Justice and Planning
584: Sustainable Communities
591: Environmental Law and Planning
595: Seminar in GIS Applications/Research
699: Research

Total Credits Required **48**

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