

Shape the Cities and Communities of Tomorrow

Georgetown University's Master of Professional Studies in Urban & Regional Planning emphasizes the integration of urban design with community development to create livable, meaningful, and sustainable neighborhoods, cities, and regions. Housed in Georgetown's state-of-the-art downtown D.C. campus, the program engages the communities, places, and professionals of the National Capital Region to study the process of urbanization as a worldwide professional endeavor. Students will become experts and leaders in addressing some of the most important challenges facing urban communities around the world:

- Catalyze responsible, mission-driven urban investment
- Engage urban development stakeholders in an ethical manner
- Produce a full-spectrum of community housing choices
- Restore the environment with high-performing urban systems
- Instill a pride-of-place across the built environment

PROGRAM FEATURES

- An applied curriculum that spans urban planning topics, including economic development, land use, urban design, housing, culture, transportation, energy, and environment
- Exposure to professional practices associated with public finance, regulations, and urban development
- Professional development opportunities with leading urban planning practitioners from local, regional, and international organizations in the heart of Washington, D.C.

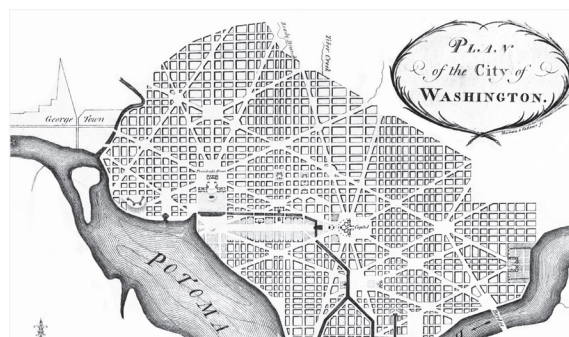
STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Embracing Georgetown University's traditions of academic excellence and Jesuit values, the program empowers each student to complete the master's degree in accordance with his or her needs, interests, and aspirations. Students may complete the degree in 15 months (accelerated full-time), 2 years (full-time), or 3–4 years (part-time). The program and its curriculum fulfill the North American standards of the Planning Accreditation Board.

CAREERS

Urban development professionals work in traditional and nontraditional roles, including:

- Local, state, and federal government planning, policymaking, and regulatory enforcement
- Land use, infrastructure, and environmental consulting
- For-profit and nonprofit real estate and infrastructure development
- Community development, communications, and advocacy



CURRICULUM

The Master of Professional Studies in Urban & Regional Planning requires 42 total credits (14 courses) to complete.

Core Curriculum

18 credits

Core courses provide essential knowledge and skills for the practicing urban planner, including urban research, planning processes, regulations, law, ethics, models, and theory. The program emphasizes exemplary communication and analytic skills, which are essential to becoming an effective professional and an impactful leader.

Concentrations

12 credits

Students take four courses in one of the following concentrations:

- Urban Design and Land Use
- Housing and Community Development
- International Development

Electives and Independent Study

9 credits

Capstone Thesis

3 credits

WHO SHOULD APPLY?

Urban planning is one of the most interdisciplinary professions in society. As such, the program welcomes students with diverse backgrounds, including liberal arts, economics, social and physical sciences, architecture, and engineering. A common denominator of all accepted applicants is a passion for cities and the aspiration to lead communities to sustainable and equitable futures.

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APPLICATION DEADLINES

Visit our admissions page for more information about application deadlines and applying online.

TUITION

Educational expenses are assessed each semester based on the number of credits for which you are registered. Visit our website for current tuition rates.

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