



TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
College of
Architecture

MASTER OF URBAN PLANNING PROGRAM OVERVIEW



The Master of Urban Planning (MUP) Program at Texas A&M University has been training leaders in urban planning since 1965. This nationally top-ranked urban planning program has a tradition of equipping every student with a firm foundation of planning knowledge and competencies from technical, political, economic, and legal perspectives. Graduates from this program will become lifelong learners and forward-thinking visionaries who are capable of working with diverse stakeholders, performing sophisticated analysis, and making planning decisions under complex situations.

Faculty members of the MUP program are nationally and internationally recognized scholars who advance the urban planning field with impactful research. Every year, they contribute millions of dollars of funding to support students through a variety of research centers, laboratories, and institutes at the university. For example, Texas A&M Transportation Institute, the largest university-based transportation research institute in the world, provides MUP students with numerous employment opportunities.

The program is located in the center of the Texas Urban Triangle, a mega-

region encompassing Houston, Dallas-Fort Worth, Austin, and San Antonio. This is one of the fastest growing regions in the nation, offering a unique living laboratory to generate innovative planning solutions that can be translated globally.

Admissions Deadlines

January 1: Application deadline for financial aid

April 15: Deadline for all applications

CURRICULUM

First Year (Fall)			Second Year (Spring)		
PLAN 604	Methods 1	3 hours	PLAN 658	Plan Implementation	3 hours
PLAN 610	Urban Structure	3 hours	PLAN 693	Professional Paper on Specialized Topic	2 hours
PLAN 664	History & Theory	3 hours		Elective (degree related)	3 hours
	Spatial Analysis/Communicative Elective	3 hours		Elective (degree related)	3 hours
First Year (Spring)			CORE COURSES		
PLAN 613	Methods II	3 hours	• PLAN 604 Planning Methods 1: Demography and Economic Analysis		
PLAN 640	Planning Law	3 hours	• PLAN 610 Structure and Function of Urban Settlements		
	Spatial Analysis/Communicative Elective	3 hours	• PLAN 613 Planning Methods II: Land Use, Transportation and Infrastructure		
	Elective (degree related)	3 hours	• PLAN 625 GIS for Landscape Architecture and Urban Planning		
Summer			• PLAN 689 Legal Basis for Planning		
PLAN 684	Internship	1 hour	• PLAN 662 Applied Planning Studio		
Second Year (Fall)			• PLAN 658 Plan Implementation		
PLAN 662	Applied Planning	3 hours	• PLAN 664 Foundations of Planning (History and Theory)		
PLAN 665	Plan Making	3 hours	• PLAN 665 Participatory Planmaking		
	Elective (degree related)	3 hours	• PLAN 689 Site Planning		
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