



THE UNIVERSITY of
NEW ORLEANS



UNO Department of Planning and Urban Studies

Welcome IDS Majors (Fall)

Have you ever wondered how to change the world around you? If so, elective courses in the Department of Planning and Urban Studies (PLUS) are for you! PLUS is an interdisciplinary department that provides students with a holistic approach to the study of the urban environment. In our courses we examine urban life: how cities and regions work, what drives economic growth, the development of housing and infrastructure, how to create more just and sustainable communities, and more. PLUS would like to introduce you to the following courses that may be of interest to IDS majors. If you have any questions, please contact our Director of Academic Services, David Lambour, at dmlambou@uno.edu.

General Education Requirement

URBN 1000 - Introduction to Cities: This course is an introduction to contemporary cities. It examines the social, technological, political, aesthetic, economic, and environmental forces that shape urban environments. It also discusses how different spatial forms and functions reflect these forces. This course is offered every semester.

Social Science Course for Elective or Plan Inclusion

MURP 4200 - American City Planning: This course deals with the evolution of urban and regional planning in the United States, with particular focus on the last century. This course emphasizes specific issues, programs, projects, and personalities instrumental in shaping the form of the American landscape and cityscape, and in developing urban planning as a profession. This course is generally offered each fall.

Social Science Courses for Plan

URBN 3002 - Introduction to Urban Studies: A multidisciplinary introduction to urban studies which examines classic arguments and recent discourses on the urban processes and urban life. The course examines North American cities through social sciences, environmental studies, architecture and design, public policy and urban planning. This course is offered each fall and spring semester.

URBN 3710 - Fundamentals of Urban Design: This course provides a combination of lectures, illustrations, and hands-on project development opportunities in the field of design. It is basic in nature, tailored to the undergraduate curriculum, and promotes the analysis and understanding of urban design issues and projects.

MURP 4010 - Introduction to Historic Preservation: This course is an introduction to historic preservation and provides a broad overview of the historical, architectural, political, social, economic, administrative, and legal aspects of historic preservation. This course is generally offered every fall.

MURP 4820 - Tourism for Urban and Regional Planners: An exploration of the international travel and tourism industry, focusing on the post-1950 period. The course will cover the rapid growth of tourism and its economic, social, cultural, and environmental impacts on countries, regions, and cities, with a particular emphasis on the role planners and policymakers play in promoting and regulating the industry.