



UNO Department of Planning and Urban Studies

Community/Agency Application: Practicum/Capstone Project or Service Learning Course

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1. Introduction and Background

The Department of Planning and Urban Studies and the UNO Transportation Institute are accepting proposals from organizations interested in having department-approved classes develop a custom planning or transportation project. These can be in the form of a Practicum Course, Capstone Course or a Service Learning Course.

Practicum: The course will focus on the applied aspects of the urban and regional planning profession. Project(s) will be identified and students will work as a team to complete the work. The goal is to develop a professional group report.

Capstone 1 and 2 (Offered Summer and Fall Semesters): Capstones I and 2 provide an opportunity for students to engage in a two semester long applied research project, including research design and presentation. The course examines global, national, state and/or local transportation demands, resources, impacts, technologies, and policies. The courses explore efforts to mobilize people and goods with an examination of the connections to climate policy and the role for transpiration systems and the built environment.

Service Learning: Service Learning is as an activity that connects academic course content to meet a community need. In Service Learning students work with faculty, staff and community organizations to understand underlying social, political, economic, or environmental challenges and use knowledge gained from their academic discipline and course content to address these challenges. Service Learning pedagogy is based on building reciprocal partnerships with the community, engaging in meaningful hands-on learning, and participating in intentional reflection.

2. Submission Guidelines and Requirement

Please submit your proposal to David Lambour (listed above). Your submission should include:

- If you are interested in involvement in a Practicum Course, a Capstone 1 & 2 Courses or a Service Learning Course
- Contact information
- Description of project you would like accomplished
- Description of how this project is beneficial to New Orleans
- Special skills requirements or requests for the project
- Duration of project
- Organizational or publication resources available for the project

3. Closing Date and Proposal review

Proposals must be received by the closing date of July 1 for Fall Semester, October 1 for Spring Semester and April 1 for Summer Semester. After the closing date, members of the Department and/or the Institute will review proposals. The course instructor will contact only the organization(s) that are approved by the selection committee. Submission of this application does not guarantee project selection.