



THE UNIVERSITY *of*
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Ph.D. IN URBAN STUDIES PROGRAM



The **Doctor of Philosophy in Urban Studies** degree program is an interdisciplinary program within the College of Liberal Arts and Education that enables students of exceptional ability to undertake advanced study and original research. Students must complete 60 credit hours of coursework, including pre-doctoral graduate-level coursework, in three areas: the urban studies core, research design and methods, and the major area. Students choose from three major fields of study (27 hours): urban affairs, urban history, urban and regional planning, and transportation. In addition, students must complete nine credit hours of dissertation research. The program's mission is to prepare students for careers in scholarly activity, applied research, and policy analysis.

The Ph.D. in Urban Studies program provides graduates with a solid foundation for pursuing careers in academia or to engage in advanced policy analysis and applied research outside of academic settings. Upon successful completion of the program, students will have mastered the literature and theory in a particular area of scholarship as well as the research skills necessary to make significant and original contributions in their respective fields. Students enrolled in the program draw upon the expertise of faculty members working in the areas of anthropology, history, sociology, public administration, and planning, among others.

URBAN STUDIES DOCTORAL PROGRAM HANDBOOK

A detailed description of the Ph.D. in Urban Studies program – including information about scholarship and assistantship opportunities – is available online at www.uno.edu/media/39206.

Ph.D. Placement of Graduates

Arizona State University	Texas A&M Transportation
Tulane University	Southern University A&M
Syracuse University	Texas State University
The Water Institute	LaDOTD
Community Solutions, Inc.	FEMA
US National Archives	Poydras Home
Main Street America	New Orleans Jazz Museum



Ph.D. SUBFIELDS

Urban Affairs

The urban affairs subfield is interdisciplinary and focused on the study, policy analysis, and management of cities and metropolitan areas, aiming to solve complex issues like housing, sustainability, economic development, and social equity. Through theoretical, empirical, and action-oriented research, this subfield is dedicated to creating spaces for engaging in intellectual and practical discussions about urban life.

Urban History

The subfield in Urban History is offered in cooperation with the Department of History, Anthropology and Sociology. Students develop both a theoretical foundation and the practical skills related to the analysis and interpretation of data used in assessing impacts to historic structures and resources. The program provides a theoretical foundation for students who wish to continue their education in the fields of archaeology, anthropology, cultural heritage, and history, among other fields. Students wishing to earn their Historic and Cultural Preservation Certificate while in the PhD program should contact Mr. David Lambour at dmlambou@uno.edu

Urban and Regional Planning

The subfield in Urban Planning is offered through the Division of Planning and Public Affairs. Students develop the requisite skills and knowledge to shape urban and regional planning in such areas as neighborhood revitalization, land use planning, economic development, transportation, disaster management and recovery, and housing and environmental planning. Planners actively seek to balance historic and cultural preservation. Students wishing to earn their Master of Urban and Regional Planning degree while in the Ph.D. program should contact Dr. Marla Nelson at mnelson@uno.edu.

Transportation

The subfield in Transportation is offered through the Division of Planning and Public Affairs in conjunction with the University of New Orleans Transportation Institute. This subfield incorporates applied and scholarly research with education and outreach initiatives to support advancements in both passenger and freight transportation systems. Students wishing to earn their Master Transportation degree while in the Ph.D. program should contact Dr. Bethany Stich at bstich@uno.edu.

DPPA: WHO WE ARE

The Division of Planning and Urban Affairs (DPPA) at UNO prepares students for the challenge of shaping urban and regional change locally, throughout the country and around the globe. DPPA is where art and science converge as we teach urban design, scientific research and public policy. The department fulfills the university-wide mission to improve the quality of life throughout the New Orleans region. Our faculty works with federal, state, and local governments, non profits and businesses. Our hands-on program encourages students to get involved in their community and to gain skills that will aid them in the field to affect change.

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