



THE UNIVERSITY *of*  
NEW ORLEANS

**BSUSP**

## **BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN URBAN STUDIES & PLANNING**



Historic New Orleans is a living laboratory for anyone wanting to learn about Urban Studies and Planning. In this degree we examine urban life.

- How do cities and urban regions work?
- What drives economic growth?
- How can we make cities just and sustainable?
- What influences the construction of houses and other infrastructure?
- How do economic drivers such as international trade and the Port of New Orleans support our vibrant tourism industry and streetcar development?
- We investigate these questions and more!

### **PROGRAM OBJECTIVE**

The Bachelor of Science in Urban Studies and Planning degree is an interdisciplinary program that provides students with a holistic approach to the study of the urban environment. Students examine the historical, cultural, social, economic, and environmental aspects of urban areas. Students have the opportunity of selecting an optional concentration in urban planning, transportation, or geography.

**Have you ever wondered how to change the world around you? If so, a BSUSP is the major for you!**

Students who complete the program seek entry-level positions in public, private and non-profit sector organizations. They will also be prepared for urban and environmental professional or scholarly graduate degree programs in Urban Studies, Urban and Regional Planning, Transportation or related disciplines.

### **ACCELERATED MASTERS DEGREES**

The Accelerated Master's Degree (**BSUSP/MURP** or **BSUSP/MST**) offers the opportunity for outstanding students to begin earning credit toward a master's degree while still pursuing undergraduate studies. The accelerated programs allow a student to complete a master's in less time and at a lower-than-average cost. The main feature of the program is that, while completing their undergraduate study, students may earn up to 12 semester hours of graduate credit that counts as dual credit for both the baccalaureate and master's degrees.



## CURRICULUM

### General Education Requirements

Courses	# Credit Hours	Courses	# Credit Hours
ENGL 1157	3	Literature	6
ENGL 1158 or 1159	3	History/Philosophy Elective	3
MATH 1115, 1031, 1125 or higher	3	Social Science Elective	6
MATH 1116, 1032, 1126 or higher	3	(6 hrs from ANTH, ECON, GEOG, POLI, PSYC, SOC, or URBN)	
BIOS	3		
BIOS or Physical Science	6	Arts Elective	3

**TOTAL = 39**

### Other Requirements

Courses	# Credit Hours	Courses	# Credit Hours
ENGL 2152 or URBN 4670*	3	Social Sciences	12
Statistics	3	General Electives*	15-18*
Humanities/Social Science Elective	3	URBN/MURP courses	6
ECON 1203 or ECON 1204	3		

**TOTAL = 45**

### Course Requirements for Major

Courses	# Credit Hours	Courses	# Credit Hours
URBN 1000, 2000, 2100, 3002, 3150, 3710; MURP 4140, 4200	24	URBN, MURP, GEOG, and related courses from support areas	12

**TOTAL = 36**

**TOTAL CREDIT HOURS REQUIRED = 120**

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## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates are professional planners, GIS specialists, economic developers, trade and transportation professionals, preservationists and environmentalists. Over 90% of all Planning and Urban Studies graduates are employed within the first year. Graduates earn an average of \$57,000/year, and nearly 50% of graduates go on to advanced degrees.

## PLUS: WHO WE ARE

The Planning and Urban Studies (PLUS) Department at UNO prepares students for the challenge of shaping urban and regional change locally, throughout the country, and around the globe. PLUS 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 as well as 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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