

URBAN AND REGIONAL STUDIES

The Urban and Regional Studies Institute is an interdisciplinary degree program oriented toward examining and understanding the broad range of problems and challenges associated with the nation's cities, communities, and regional areas. Students learn how to build community in a very tangible way, allowing students to make a difference they can see every day.

PROGRAMS



DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

- Bachelor of Science in Urban and Regional Studies
- Urban and Regional Studies Minor
- Master of Arts in Urban and Regional Studies
- Master of Arts in Public Administration and Community Management
- Public Management Graduate Certificate
- Urban Planning Graduate Certificate

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Urban and Regional Studies offers a variety of undergraduate degrees to provide an enriching educational experience for our students and to prepare them for future careers and success.

REAL-WORLD CONNECTIONS



SKILLS AND TALENTS

- Data Analysis
- Communication Skills
- Computer Skills: GIS
- Cultural Sensitivity
- Interpersonal Skills
- Listening Skills

CAREERS

- Budget/Financial Analyst
- City Comptroller
- City Manager
- City Treasurer
- Community Development
- Comprehensive Planning

EMPLOYERS

- CEEDA
- City of Mankato
- Habitat for Humanity
- Kimley Horn
- North Star Mutual Insurance
- State of Minnesota

INSPIRED ACTION



EMPLOYMENT RATE

93.3%
of program graduates begin their careers within one year of graduation.

Graduates: 40
Respondents: 35
link.mnsu.edu/graduate-follow-up

MEDIAN SALARY

\$81,800

The median annual wage for Urban and Regional Planners in May 2023.

Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Urban and Regional Planners, at link.mnsu.edu/urban-regional-studies-salary

PROGRAM WEBSITE



hss.mnsu.edu/ursi



SAMPLE FOUR-YEAR PLAN - URBAN AND REGIONAL STUDIES, BS

First Year (Fall)	First Year (Spring)
URBS 100 Introduction to the City (3) General Education Course (3) General Education Course (3) General Education Course (3) General Education Course (3)	URBS 110 The City: Design and Architecture (3) General Education Course (3) General Education Course (3) General Education Course (3) Diverse Cultures Course (3)
Second Year (Fall)	Second Year (Spring)
URBS 150 Sustainable Communities (3) General Education Course (3) General Education Course (3) General Education Course (3) Diverse Cultures Course (3)	URBS 230W Community Leadership (3) General Education Course (3) General Education Course (3) General Education Course (3) General Education Course (3)
Third Year (Fall)	Third Year (Spring)
URBS 401 Foundations in Urban Management and Planning (3) Elective Course in Major (3) Elective Course in Minor (3) Elective Course in Minor (3) Writing Intensive Course (3)	URBS 402 Urban Analysis (3) Elective Course in Major (3) Elective Course in Minor (3) Elective Course in Minor (3) General Elective Course (3)
Fourth Year (Fall)	Fourth Year (Spring)
General Education Course (3) Elective Course in Major (3) Elective Course in Minor (3) General Elective Course (3) General Elective Course (3)	URBS 489 Capstone Seminar (3) Elective Course in Minor (3) General Elective Course (3) General Elective Course (3) General Elective Course (3)

For more information about program requirements, visit:
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