

University of Wisconsin–Madison
Department of Planning and Landscape Architecture
MS Urban and Regional Planning Program

Fall Semester 2019
COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

URPL 512 GENTRIFICATION AND URBAN RESTRUCTURING (3 credits)

Meets: 4-5:15pm Tuesday/Thursday, 208 Music Hall

Instructor: Sims

From today's perspective, it seems difficult to imagine that gentrification was ever something unique, an aberration so-to-speak in urban development. Yet half a century ago, gentrification was only beginning to come to the attention of scholars and it was hardly the focus of intense debate and action that it is today. This class will investigate the ascendancy of gentrification through its complicated historical and geographic development. We will consequently move beyond the initial analysis that gentrification is and/or was "a back to the city movement" to a much more complicated, theoretically-informed view of the process that not only involves changing demographics, but also the consideration of capital, culture, class, and racialization in the process. Through research projects investigating the form and character of gentrification in different contexts as well as locally here in Madison, Wisconsin, the class seeks to deepen the understanding of the subject.

Requisites: Junior standing or graduate

URPL 550 TRANSPORTATION AND THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT (3 credits)

Meets: 9-11:30am Thursday, 208 Music Hall

Instructor: Carey McAndrews

Investigation of multi-modal transportation, travel behavior, and urban form. Attention to site, neighborhood, regional, and global scales. Consideration of public health, environmental, economic, and social equity outcomes.

Requisites: Senior standing or graduate

URPL 611 URBAN DESIGN (3 credits)

Meets: 1-3:30pm Wednesday, 208 Music Hall

Instructors: Jim LaGro and Edna Ledesma

This course critically examines the public health, safety, and welfare implications of urban design over multiple spatial scales (e.g., buildings, streets and blocks, neighborhoods, districts). Classic and contemporary literature on the theory and practice of urban design are critically reviewed. Emphasis is

placed on the design of three fundamental components of the built environment: buildings, transportation networks, and open space systems. A design background is not required.

Requisites: Senior standing or graduate

URPL 721 METHODS OF PLANNING ANALYSIS (3 credits)

Meets: 12:30-1:45pm Monday/Tuesday, 208 Music Hall and Lab 1:50-3pm Tuesday, 109 Music Hall

Instructor: David Marcouiller

This course is designed to familiarize students with research methods and statistical analysis used in addressing planning problems. Specific topics include conceptualization, design and implementation of planning research, statistical methods for analyzing data including review of hypothesis testing, multiple regression, demographic projection techniques, and methods of community economic analysis.

First year URPL students should enroll in this course. An introductory/undergraduate course in statistics is a requirement of the MS URPL program.

Requisites: Graduate standing

URPL 731 INTRODUCTION TO REGIONAL PLANNING (3 credits)

Meets: 2-4:30pm Monday, 208 Music Hall

Instructor: Brian Ohm

The concept of regional planning has a long and interesting history in the United States. Many planning issues transcend the jurisdictional boundaries of government. This course will provide an examination of the institutional framework (both historical and contemporary) of the different levels of government within which regional planning occurs. Examples include service sharing agreements between adjacent local units of government, the structure and role of metropolitan planning organizations in transportation planning, multi-state/international efforts like the Great Lakes Compact, and more! We will examine concepts of regional planning through case studies of regional planning experiences related to transportation, natural resources, housing, growth management, economic development, cultural, etc. While the focus of the course is on the United States, the course will explore the practice of regional planning in other countries to provide a comparative context. This course will include field trips to various regional planning entitites, to see regional planning in action. This course is taught every other year.

Requisites: Preference will be giving to Urban and Regional Planning students. Non-URPL students can request permission to enroll from the instructor. This course is taught every other year.

741 INTRODUCTION TO PLANNING

Meets: 9-11:30am Tuesday, 208 Music Hall

Instructor: Carey McAndrews

Investigation into the fundamentals of city and regional planning: its history, related professions, core values, equity and social justice, professional skills, and the role of the plan in relation to policies and

programs. Through an interactive seminar format we learn through writing, facilitated discussion, case studies, lectures, in-class exercises, and readings. The course calls attention to complex, real-world opportunities in planning, as well as its dilemmas. We will discuss planning as a tool for problem solving, planning and social change, the multiple roles in which planners find themselves, useful skills and perspectives, and exciting areas of planning practice. We focus on planning in the US. This is core course in the Master of Urban and Regional Planning program; it is open to all graduate students.

Requisites: Graduate standing

URPL 751 INTRODUCTION TO FINANCIAL PLANNING (3 credits)

Meets: 11am-12:15pm Monday/Wednesday, 208 Music Hall

Instructor: Kurt Paulsen

An introduction to the theory and practice of state and local financial planning with emphasis on the functional importance of expenditures; special problems in financing city and metropolitan governments; intergovernmental fiscal relations and the use of various budgetary techniques as integral parts of the planning process.

Requisites: Graduate standing or instructor consent

URPL 912 PLANNING WORKSHOP (3 credits)

Meets: 9-11:30am Friday, 208 Music Hall

Instructor: Alfonso Morales

Selected problems in planning to emphasize the interdisciplinary character of planning practice and to give opportunity to apply socioeconomic analysis, physical planning, and implementation techniques.

Requisites: Graduate standing. Enrollment restricted to students in the Urban and Regional Planning program.