SUSTAINABLE URBAN DESIGN, MSUD

for the degree of Master of Sustainable Urban Design major in Sustainable Urban Design

The Department of Landscape Architecture offers the Master of Landscape Architecture (MLA) degree, the Master of Sustainable Urban Design degree (MSUD), and the PhD degree. The programs enable students to gain fresh insights and to conduct new research pertaining to land and its use by people. Courses and faculty research activities range from on-site to regional scales, and include environmental planning and design as well as community design, cultural heritage, and history.

THE MSUD is a 11-month program completed in two semesters (fall and spring) plus one summer term, undertaken in that order. Matriculation is for fall semester only. The MSUD program can serve as a postprofessional degree (i.e., a degree that leads to licensure such as BLA, MLA, MARCH) or as an advanced degree to hone skills in sustainable design for those with degrees in other subject areas.

Code	Title	Hours
LA 537	Planning & Design Studio II	5
LA 589	Sustainable Urban Design Theory	4
Choose one elective broadly related to urban design: 3-4
  ARCH 423	Soc/Beh Factors for Design
  GGIS 408	Humans and River Systems
  GGIS 438	Geography of Health Care
  GGIS 466	Environmental Policy
  GGIS 479	Advanced Topics in GIS
  GGIS 496	Climate & Social Vulnerability
  LA 570	Landscapes and Human Health
  LA 587	Graduate Seminar
  LA 597	Research Design & Methods
  PSYC 472	Environmental Psychology
Choose one elective concerning urban systems: 2-4
  ARCH 418	History of the Urban Environment
  GGIS 410	Green Development
  GGIS 465	Transportation & Sustainability
  GGIS 484	Cities, Crime, and Space
  LA 480	Sustainable Design Principles
  UP 418	GIS for Planners
  LA 482	Advanced Communication in Landscape Architecture
LA 538	Urban Design Research Studio	5
LA 446	Sustainable Planning Seminar	4
UP 475	Real Estate Development Fundamentals	4
LA 592	Urban Design Capstone Studio	6
Total Hours 36

Other Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Minimum GPA: 2.75

Graduate Degree Programs in Landscape Architecture

Landscape Architecture, PhD (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/faa/minor/heritage-studies/)
Landscape Architecture, MLA
Sustainable Urban Design, MSUD
Heritage Studies Graduate Minor
joint programs:
Landscape Architecture, MLA & Urban Planning, MUP (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/faa/joint-degree/landscape-architecture-mla-urban-planning-mup/)

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