URBAN STUDIES & PLANNING, BA & URBAN PLANNING, MUP

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The 4+1 program allows for students completing the BAUSP degree in the Department to complete the Master of Urban Planning (MUP) on an accelerated timeline--BAUSP and MUP degrees in five years. To be eligible to participate in the 4+1 program, the student should be a Junior BAUSP major with a minimum 3.5 GPA. Junior BAUSP majors who do not meet these requirements may apply to the program, but their applications will need to provide extraordinary evidence of preparedness for the MUP program in order to gain admission.

Eligible BAUSP students should submit their application packet as a single PDF document to us by email (urbplan@illinois.edu) by December 15 of their Junior year. The application packet should include a cover letter, statement of purpose, resume and work examples. Students will be notified by February 15 of their Junior year if they have been accepted into the 4+1 program.

At the end of their senior year, 4+1 students wishing to complete the MUP degree will formally apply to the MUP program, submitting a full application package including recommendations, resume and transcripts.

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BAUSP

General education: Students must complete the Campus General Education (https://courses.illinois.edu/gened/DEFAULT/DEFAULT/) requirements including the campus general education language requirement.

Minimum hours for graduation is 120 to include a minimum of 40 hours of upper-division coursework generally at the 300- and 400-level. These hours can be drawn from all elements of the degree.

Code	Title	Hours
FAA 101	Arts at Illinois	1
RHET 105	Writing and Research (or equivalent)	4
ECON 102	Microeconomic Principles	3
or ACE 100	Introduction to Applied Microeconomics	
UP 116	Urban Informatics I (or equivalent)	3
or STAT 100	Statistics	
3-4 hours selected from:		3-4
AAS 100	Intro Asian American Studies	
AFRO 100	Intro to African American St	
AIS 102	Contemp Issues in Ind Country	
GGIS 101	Global Development & Environment	
GGIS 104	Social and Cultural Geography	
LLS 100	Intro Latina/Latino Studies	
SOC 100	Introduction to Sociology	
Total Hours		**14**

Code	Title	Hours
UP 101	Introduction to City Planning	3
UP 201	Planning in Action	3
UP 203	Cities: Planning & Urban Life (or UP 204 Chicago: Planning and Urban Life)	3
UP 211	Local Planning, Gov't and Law	3
UP 312	Communication for Planners	4
UP 316	Urban Informatics II	3
UP 347	Junior Planning Workshop	4
UP 401	Professional Development Seminar	1
Total Hours		**24**

Code	Title	Hours
Required Concentration. Choose one below.		
Sustainability (http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/faa/urban-studies-planning-ba/sustainability/)		
Global Cities (http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/faa/urban-studies-planning-ba/global-cities/)		
Policy & Planning (http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/faa/urban-studies-planning-ba/policy-planning/)		
Social Justice (http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/faa/urban-studies-planning-ba/social-justice/)		
Total Hours		**9-11**

Code	Title	Hours
BAUSP Senior Year		
The MUP core courses meet the BAUSP requirements for UP electives and planning-related electives. 4+1 students are expected to enroll in the first year MUP core courses in their senior year, although they are not yet admitted to the MUP program.		
Senior Workshop (pick 1 from the following or discuss other offerings with your advisor)		4
UP 447	Land Use Planning Workshop	
UP 455	Economic Development Workshop	
UP 456	Sustainable Planning Workshop	
UP 457	Small Town/Rural Planning Workshop	
UP 478	Community Development Workshop	
Select at least four courses from:		16-20
UP 501	Planning History and Theory	
UP 503	Physical Planning	
UP 504	Urban History and Theory	
UP 505	Urban and Regional Analysis	
UP 511	Law and Planning	

MUP

Code	Title	Hours
Complete any of the 500-level courses not completed in year four (UP 501, 503, 504, 505, 511)		0-4
UP 510	Plan Making	4

UP 591	Capstone Seminar (enrollment required for two terms- 0 hours each for Thesis students or 4 in fall, 0 in spring for Non-Thesis students)	0 OR 4
UP 598	Master's Project (UP 598 for 4 total hours or UP 599 for 8 total hours)	4 OR 8
or UP 599	Thesis Research	
Once admitted to the MUP program, a 4+1 student must take 32 hours of graduate courses, 20 of which must be UP courses. These courses include the capstone seminar and master's project or thesis. The 32 hours of graduate courses is a minimum requirement for the MUP degree; it cannot be reduced by UP 590 **internship or course waivers.**		**32**

Requirement	Description
Other MUP Requirements	
Up to two MUP core courses may be included among the 32 hours. If more core courses are needed, then correspondingly more than 32 hours will be required for the MUP degree.	
Minimum Hours Required Within the Unit:	20
Minimum 500-level Hours Required Overall:	16 (12 in UP)
Minimum GPA:	3.0

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Sample Sequence

This sample sequence is intended to be used only as a guide for degree completion. All students should work individually with their academic advisors to decide the actual course selection and sequence that works best for them based on their academic preparation and goals. Enrichment programming such as study abroad, minors, internships, and so on may impact the structure of this plan. Course availability is not guaranteed during the semester indicated in the sample sequence.

Students must fulfill their Language Other Than English requirement by successfully completing a third level of a language other than English. This may require up to three semesters of language depending on high school coursework or placement. For more information, see the corresponding section on the Degree and General Education Requirements page (http://catalog.illinois.edu/general-information/degree-general-education-requirements/).

First Year

First Semester	Hours	Second Semester	Hours
FAA 101	1	UP 116	3
UP 101	3	UP 201	3
ECON 102	3	Composition I or Language Other than English (3rd level)	4
Composition I or Language Other than English (3rd level)	4	General Education course	3
Foundation Course. Choose from list	3	General Education course	3
Free Elective course	1		
	15		**16**

Second Year

First Semester	Hours	Second Semester	Hours
UP 203	3	UP 211	3
Concentration Gateway	3	UP Electives	6
General Education course	3	General Education course	3
General Education course	3	General Education course	3
General Education course	3		
	15		**15**

Third Year

First Semester	Hours	Second Semester	Hours
UP 312	4	UP 316	3
UP Elective	3	UP 347	4
UP Elective	3	UP Elective	3
Concentration Elective	3	Concentration Elective	4
Free Elective course	1	Free Elective course	1
	14		**15**

Fourth Year

First Semester	Hours	Second Semester	Hours
UP 400-level Workshop	4	UP 401	1
UP 501	4	UP 505	4
UP 503	4	UP 511	4
UP 504	4	Free Elective courses	5
	16		**14**

Fifth Year

First Semester	Hours	Second Semester	Hours
UP 510	4	UP 599 or 598	0 or 4
UP 591	0 or 4	UP 591	0
UP 598 or 599	4	UP Graduate Electives	12
UP Graduate Electives	8		
	20		**12**

Total Hours 152

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Students who complete a degree in the Department of Urban and Regional Planning will be able to:

1. Identify and understand the planners' role in:
   a. advocating for racial and economic equity;
   b. planning for the needs of disadvantaged groups;
   c. expanding choice and opportunity;
   d. reducing inequities through critical evaluation of systems and institutions;
   e. planning for sustainable communities;
   f. reducing impacts of climate change; and
   g. creating equitable and climate#adapted futures.
2. Demonstrate planning proficiency in a global context in the areas of:
   a. history, theory, law and institutions;
   b. the evolution of the practice of planning; and
   c. urban and regional development.
3. Build and put into practice a set of skills that are central to the planning profession, including skills specific to:
   a. communication, community engagement, and the planning process;
   b. research and critical thinking;
   c. mapping and data visualization; and
   d. data collection and analysis, and data analytics.
4. Illustrate professional leadership values including collaborative skills and ethical behavior in research, client representation and decision-making.

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Admissions
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