URBAN STUDIES (M.A.)

Requirements

Depending on the number of courses taken each semester, the degree is a 3 or 4 semester program for full-time students (for example 3 semesters plus field work in the summer). The Degree requires completion of 36 credits (12 courses) and a formal Master’s Thesis. Three core courses establish a common base of knowledge and research skills, in addition to field work and a research project. Students then complete seven elective courses across a variety of disciplines depending on their individual interests.

Course | Title | Credits
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URST 5000 | ISSUES IN URBAN STUDIES | 3
URST 5020 | URBAN POLITICAL PROCESSES | 3
URST 6200 | RESEARCH SKILLS URBAN STUDIES | 3
or SOCI 6200 | RESRCH.DESIGN I | 3

Select nine electives courses |  | 27

Thesis & Fieldwork

Completion of one class in each of the following:

- URST 6080 | URBAN STUDIES FIELDWORK | 2
- URST 6999 | URBAN STUDIES RESEARCH | 2

MA Thesis Completion |  | 3

Total Credits | 36

1 Electives can be choose from any graduate-level Urban Studies course, or any course with the URSG attribute, listed below.

2 Students complete the field work research for their Master’s Thesis in New York City or in another large-scale city in the United States or foreign country. It may be completed during the academic year or the summer. Before registering for field work, a student must complete the required courses listed above and be in good academic standing. The thesis advisor or the Urban Studies Director must approve and monitor all field work research. The field study must be directly related to the student’s Master’s Thesis.

3 Each thesis project is mentored by a faculty member specializing in the chosen field of study.

Urban Studies Electives

Courses in this group have the URSG attribute.

Course | Title | Credits
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BISC 5511 | CONSERVATION LAW AND POLICY | 3
ECON 5015 | ECO DEVELOPMENT POLICY | 3-4
PMMA 5106 | RACE, GENDER, & DIGITAL MEDIA | 3
POSC 5500 | COMPARATIVE POL ANALYSIS | 3-4
POSC 6530 | POLITICAL ECONOMY OF DEVELOPMENT | 3-4
SOCI 5401 | GENDER ETHNICITY & MIGRT | 3-4
SOCI 5518 | ISSUES IN URBAN SOCIOLOGY | 3
SOCI 5605 | VULNERABLE POP & MIGRATN | 0-2
SOCI 5614 | HISPANIC POLICY ISSUES | 3-4
SOCI 5705 | RACE, GENDER, AND CRIME | 3-4
SOCI 5820 | ART WORLD AND URBAN ENVIRONMNT | 3
SOCI 6100 | CLASSICAL SOC THEORY | 3-4
SOCI 6300 | GRADUATE STATISTICS I | 3-4

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