

URBAN STUDIES MAJOR

Requirements

The urban studies major consists of 10 courses, including a required internship and senior thesis. Students are also required to demonstrate multidisciplinary diversity. Urban studies courses come from a range of social sciences, such as sociology, economics, history, political science, African American studies, and Latino studies. Architecture, urban design, and environmental studies courses complete the curriculum.

All urban studies electives must be at the 2000 level or above. Only two electives from the same subject code may be counted toward the urban studies major. Students study both American cities and the urban environment worldwide. They are encouraged to study abroad during their junior year in order to complement their learning experience at Fordham.

Students may also form their own concentration and program of study in consultation with their adviser, such as architecture and urban design, urban education, community development, urban economic development, public policy, and journalism.

The following courses are required of all majors:

Course	Title	Credits
Introduction to Urban Studies		
Select one of the following:		
VART 1101	Urbanism	
POSC 2102	Introduction to Urban Politics	
SOCI 3602	Urban Sociology	
Community Internship		
SOCI 4902	Internship Seminar: Community Organizations ¹	
Quantitative Methods		
Select one of the following:		
SOCI 2606	Social Science Statistics	
SOCI 2607	Social Science Research and Statistics	
SOCI 2650	Basic Research Methods	
SOCI 2850	Methods Social Research I	
CISC 2500	Information and Data Management	
Senior Thesis Seminar		
URST 4890	Research Seminar ²	4
Electives		
Select six URST electives at the 2000 level and above ³		

¹ Students should select an internship based on their area of interest and their professional goals. SOCI 4999, when offered as a summer internship course, may also fulfill this requirement. With permission from the director, the urban studies internship tutorial (URST 4800 Urban Studies Internship or URST 4999 Tutorial) or an equivalent internship course in political science, economics, sociology, or environmental studies may be used as a substitute for SOCI 4902.

² Taken in the second half of the senior year. This course allows students to complete the required senior thesis in their area of interest or concentration. The senior thesis may also be completed as a tutorial (URST 4999 Tutorial) with the permission of the Director. Any of the faculty affiliated with the urban studies program qualify as tutorial instructors. The research project is designed in conjunction with the

instructor and may be an individual effort or a group endeavor. Formal presentation of the research findings is required for completion of the seminar.

³ Select six URST courses according to the student's interests and career goals. Any course with the URST subject code or the URST attribute code may fulfill this requirement. Students may also take graduate-level courses with permission.

Availability

The major in urban studies is available at Fordham College at Rose Hill and Fordham College at Lincoln Center. Students in Fordham's School of Professional Studies may major in urban studies only if they receive the approval of their advising dean and/or department, and their schedules are sufficiently flexible to permit them to take day courses at the Rose Hill or Lincoln Center campuses.

Fordham College at Rose Hill students: The requirements above are in addition to those of the Core Curriculum.

Fordham College at Lincoln Center students: The requirements above are in addition to those of the Core Curriculum.

Professional and Continuing Studies students: The requirements above are in addition to those of the PCS Core Curriculum and any additional electives that may be required to earn a minimum of 124 credits.

CIP Code

45.1201 - Urban Studies/Affairs.

You can use the CIP code to learn more about career paths associated with this field of study and, for international students, possible post-graduation visa extensions. Learn more about CIP codes and other information resources.