Master of Science in Planning

FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES & PUBLIC POLICY
MASTER’S DEGREE IN URBAN AND REGIONAL PLANNING

Florida’s top graduate urban planning program (Planetizen 2019)

Florida State University’s Department of Urban and Regional Planning (DURP) is Florida’s oldest and largest graduate planning program and your gateway to one of the most exciting, multidimensional and forward-thinking careers. The Master of Science in Planning (MSP) degree is the professional degree of most planners in the United States.

We provide students with the highest quality education that prepares them to meet the challenges of today and tomorrow with creativity and innovation, an orientation to justice and equity, an eye toward sustainability and resilience and professional knowledge, skills and values that are reflective of where planning can take us in the future.

• Real-world experience through group projects and required internship
• Flexible curriculum to fit students’ interests
• Department leverages resources and relationships available in capital city for projects, internships, employment, guest lecturers, and adjunct instructors

All students complete a 10-week full-time internship in a planning or related agency. The capstone research paper, project, or thesis gives students an opportunity to pursue a particular topic in-depth and in an integrated fashion before assuming professional employment.

FSU DURP is:

» Global—with an internationally focused curriculum and unique study abroad opportunities

» Dynamic—with a broad interdisciplinary curriculum tailored to meet your interests

» Engaged—with the community through practical and applied projects

» Connected—with a network of alumni and extensive professional experience and development

» Personalized—with small classes, individual attention, and a community of faculty, staff, and students

» Transformative—of individual students and broader society with a focus on justice, equity, and resilience
JOINT GRADUATE PATHWAYS

Joint Graduate Pathways permit students to complete two master’s degrees simultaneously at a substantial reduction in the total number of credit hours required. DURP offers Joint Graduate Pathways in partnership with:

» Demography
» International Affairs
» Law
» Public Administration
» Public Health

COMBINED BACHELOR’S/MASTER’S PATHWAY PROGRAM

The Combined Bachelor’s/Master’s Pathway in Urban and Regional Planning allows academically talented FSU undergraduates to complete a bachelor’s degree in any major and the Master of Science in Planning (MSP) degree in less time than it would take to complete each degree separately.

Students who are accepted into the Combined Bachelor’s/Master’s Pathway may take up to 12 credit hours of graduate courses in Urban and Regional Planning. These credits will count toward completion of both their bachelor’s degree and the Master of Science in Planning (MSP) degree upon their admission to the MSP program. The program thus allows students the opportunity to take a more challenging set of courses and begin their graduate studies early.

MARK AND MARIANNE BARNEBEY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT LAB AND STUDIO aka “THE BARN”

This nationally recognized hands-on training studio draws upon the academic and professional resources of FSU and the state capital to connect with public and private partners. The studio provides innovative planning for the sustainable growth and long-term viability of communities.

QUESTIONS?

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APPLICATION STEPS

+ Complete online application
  Admissions.fsu.edu/graduate

+ Submit the materials below
  before the deadline for the semester you’re planning to attend.

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

• Departmental Supplementary Form for Admission (coss.fsu.edu/durp)
• Official transcripts from each college or university attended
• GRE scores; TOEFL Scores of 550+ for those who are non-native English speakers
• Two (2) letters of recommendation
• Statement of purpose

DEADLINES

Fall  July 1st (Financial Aid February 15)
Spring  November 1st

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

DURP offers a variety of aid programs. These competitive programs include fellowships, cooperative internships, research and teaching assistantships, tuition waivers, and stipends. Awards to entering graduate students are primarily made for study beginning in the fall term.