

Urban Design Minor

Urban design is the study of human relationships and their expression in the physical landscapes that are cities. Urban environment is a physical manifestation of social values. Relations that comprise the realm of urban design involve not simply buildings and their creation, but the infrastructure, politics, economics, sociology, commerce, and history of cities. Students planning to pursue careers in government, public administration, social work, architectural design, planning, etc., find their interests served by this minor.

You should meet with the coordinator of urban design studies to work out a program of study. Minimally, your program will include 21 semester hours completed with a 2.50 GPA. Courses must be taken for a grade (not credit/no-credit).

For information, please contact the Department of Architecture + Interior Design, 101 Alumni Hall, 513-529-7210.

Program Requirements

(21 semester hours)

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Basic course work		
ARC 211	Introduction to Landscape and Urban Design	3
GEO 201	Geography of Urban Diversity	3
POL 261	Public Administration	3
Select nine hours of the following: ¹		9
ARC 405	Seminars ²	
ARC 426	Architecture and Society	
ARC 427	The American City Since 1940	
ARC 435	Theory and History of Landscape Architecture	
FSW 261	Diverse Family Systems Across the Life Cycle	
GEO 451	Urban and Regional Planning	
GEO 454	Urban Geography	
GEO 459	Advanced Urban and Regional Planning	
POL 364	Federalism and Intergovernmental Relations	
POL 467	Public Budgeting	
SOC 201	Social Problems	
Other coursework subject to approval by the coordinator.		
Select three hours of the following as approved by coordinator: ³		3
ARC 477	Independent Studies	
or GEO 477	Independent Studies	
GEO 340	Internship	
GEO 493	Urban Field Experience	
Total Credit Hours		21

¹ Architecture or interior design majors: six of these nine hours must be from outside architecture; non-architecture majors: six of these nine hours must be architecture courses.

² Seminar must be approved by advisor.

³ Regardless of the option chosen, the coursework must be approved in consultation with the advisor for the minor and will conclude with a summary paper to be presented.