

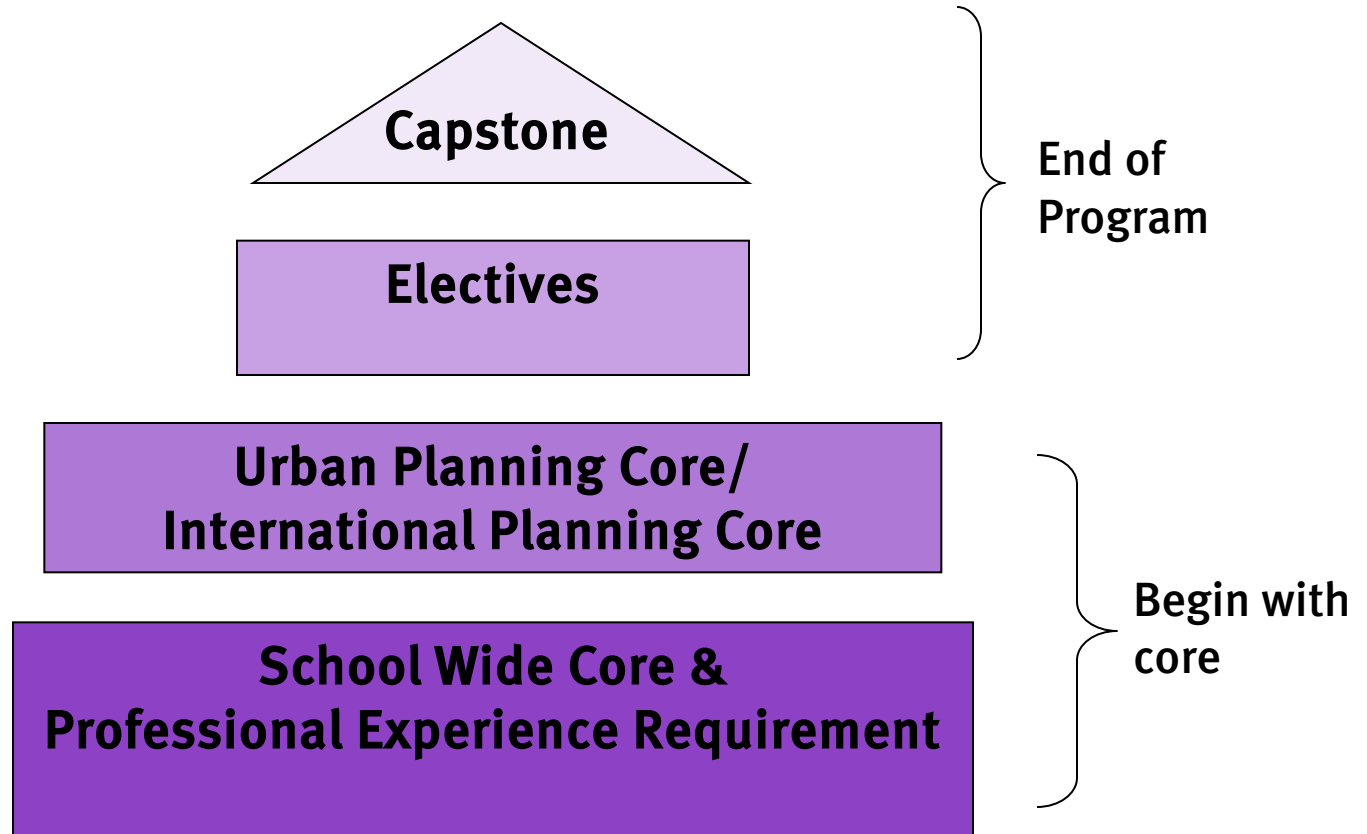
URBAN PLANNING SPECIALIZATION SESSION

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SESSION GOALS

- Provide an overview of each of the 3 specializations
- Review where they might lead (i.e. career opportunities in the field)
- Give you a chance to ask some questions about
 - Requirements
 - What to expect
 - Tailoring your program
 - What the world is like after graduation
- Hear from alums
- Clarify declaration timeline

OVERVIEW OF CURRICULUM



SPECIALIZATIONS

- Economic Development and Housing
- Environment, Infrastructure, and Transportation
- International Development Planning

DIFFERENCES IN CORE REQUIREMENTS

Economic Development and Housing/ Environment, Infrastructure, and Transportation Core

1603, Urban Planning Methods & Practice

2608, Urban Economics

2660, History and Theory of Planning

1605, Land Use Law

1620, Intro to Urban Physical Design

International Development Planning Core

1603, Urban Planning Methods & Practice

2608, Urban Economics

2660, History and Theory of Planning

PADM-GP 2201, Institutions, Governance,
and International Development

2665, Decentralized Development Planning

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING ELECTIVES

- Community Organizing (PADM-GP 2106)
- Public Policy for Metropolitan Regions (PADM-GP 2414)
- Public Policy & Planning in New York (URPL-GP 2415)
- Poverty, Inequality, and Policy (PADM-GP 2445)
- Transformation of the Urban Economy (URPL-GP 2452)
- Race and Class in American Cities (URPL-GP 2620)
- Real Estate Finance (URPL-GP 2639)
- Land Use, Housing and Community Development (URPL-GP 2670)*
- Community Equity (URPL-GP 4635)
- Housing and Community Development Policy (URPL-GP 4638)
- Wealth and Inequality: Asset Development and Poverty Reduction Policies in The U.S. (URPL-GP 4622)

* Requires an application-only 8 seats for Wagner students



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ENVIRONMENT, INFRASTRUCTURE, AND TRANSPORTATION ELECTIVES

Environmental Focus:

- Environmental Impact Assessment (URPL-GP 2610)

Infrastructure & Transportation Focus:

- Transportation Policy and Behavior (URPL-GP 2471)
- Adapting the Physical City: Innovations in Energy, Transportation and Water (URPL-GP 2612)
- Transportation, Land Use, and Urban Form (URPL-GP 2631)
- Planning for Emergencies and Disasters (URPL-GP 2645)
- Intelligent Cities: Technology, Policy and Planning (URPL-GP 2614)
- Planning Healthy Neighborhoods (URPL-GP 4632)
- Transportation courses at NYU Poly

INTERNATIONAL ELECTIVES

- Financing Local Government in Developing Countries (PADM-GP 2245)
- Politics of International Development (PADM-GP 2202)
- International Economic Development: Governments, Markets, and Communities (PADM-GP 2203)
- Organizing for Human Rights (PADM-GP 2225)
- Global Health Governance and Management (HPAM-GP 2244)
- Urbanization and Sustainable Development in a Transitional Economy: Experiencing China [Shanghai, China] (URPL-GP 2251)
- Sustainable Cities in a Comparative Perspective (URPL-GP 2613)
- International Development Project Planning (URPL-GP 2652)
- Comparative Land Use Planning (URPL-GP 4606)
- Urban Innovations in Latin America (URPL-GP 4670)

OTHER ELECTIVES

- Colloquium on Law, Economics, and Politics of Urban Affairs (URPL-GP 2616)*
- Financing Urban Government (PADM-GP 2443)
- Geographic Systems and Analysis (URPL-GP 2618)
- Innovations in U.S. Cities: New Ideas in Policy Management and Planning (URPL-GP 2629)
- Conflict Management (PADM-GP 4101)
- Workshop in Planning: Creating 21st Century Communities (URPL-GP 4647)
- Advanced Urban Design (URPL-GP 4680)

* Requires an application

NOTE ON ELECTIVES

- For details about unique course offerings, new courses, changes to the course sequencing, courses that require an application, etc., refer to the **COURSE HIGHLIGHTS** document
- All resources for courses can be found at:
wagner.nyu.edu/courses

CAPSTONE PRE-REQS

Economic Development and Housing / Environment, Infrastructure, and Transportation

Three Schoolwide Core Courses:

- 1011 Statistics
- 1018 Microeconomics
- AND EITHER
- 1020 MPSO, *OR*
- 1021 Financial Management

All Five Urban Core:

- 1603 Urban Planning Methods and Practice
- 1605 Land Use Law
- 1620 Intro to Urban Physical Design
- 2608 Urban Economics
- 2660 History and Theory of Planning

International Development

Three Schoolwide Core Courses:

- 1011 Statistics
- 1018 Microeconomics
- AND EITHER
- 1020 MPSO, *OR*
- 1021 Financial Management

Five International Urban Planning Core:

- 1603 Urban Planning Methods and Practice
- PADM-GP 2201 Institutions, Governance, & International Development
- 2608 Urban Economics
- 2660 History and Theory of Planning
- 2665 Decentralized Development Planning



PREVIOUS CAPSTONE CLIENTS & PROJECTS:

U.S. - Based

- Astella Development Corporation – *Revitalization of Mermaid Avenue Commercial Corridor*
- Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce – *Sheepshead Bay Economic Vision Plan*
- Enterprise Community Partners, Inc. – *Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Year 15 Toolkit*
- Mississippi Center for Justice – *Affordable Housing Trust Funds for Mississippi*
- New Orleans Redevelopment Authority – *Commercially-Zoned Vacant Lot Temporary Activation*
- Rutgers Center for Urban Environmental Sustainability and Isles – *Trenton's Food Assets: Data Visualizations & Economic Development*
- Staten Island Economic Development Corporation – *Recapturing the West Shore*
- Sustainable Long Island and the City of Long Beach, NY – *Integrated Transportation Plan for the City of Long Beach, NY*



PREVIOUS CAPSTONE CLIENTS & PROJECTS:

INTERNATIONAL

- China Center for Urban Development – *Urban Development of Lingang, Shanghai*
- Lavasa Corporation Limited – *Dasve Mobility Plan - Lavasa Transit Management Assessment*
- Lincoln Institute of Land Policy – *Decentralization, Housing Provision, and Spatial Form in Cape Town*
- Institute for Transportation & Development Policy – *Toward Sustainable Transportation*
- The World Bank – *Promoting Sustainable Urban Land Use, Governance, and Service Provision in Ho Chi Minh City*
- United Nations Capital Development Fund – *Assessing the Non-Financial Impact of UNCDF Infrastructure Projects in Tanzania*
- United Nations Capital Development Fund and The Asia Foundation
- United Nations-Habitat – *Sustainable Consumption of Space*
- Institute for Transportation and Development Policy – *Toward Sustainable Transportation*



RESEARCH FOCUS

While it is not an official specialization in Planning, some students choose to focus their electives on policy analysis and research, with an eye toward completing the Research Capstone.

In order to be on track for the Research Capstone (CAP-GP 3148, Applied Research in Public Finance and Policy), the following pre-reqs must be met:

- All four School Core
- 2608 Urban Economics
- 2902 Multiple Regression & Intro to Econometrics
- At least two other Planning Core courses

In addition, it is highly recommended that 2171 Program Analysis and Evaluation be taken concurrently with Capstone in the fall term.

RESEARCH METHODS ELECTIVES

- Program Analysis & Evaluation (PADM-GP 2171)
- GIS (URPL-GP 2618)
- Estimating Impacts in Policy Research (PADM-GP 2875)
- Multiple Regression and Intro to Econometrics (PADM-GP 2902)

CAREERS: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING

Will train students for careers in housing, community development, real estate, and economic development

WHAT THE WORLD IS LIKE AFTER GRADUATION

Local and state agencies such as:

- NYC Dept. of Housing, Preservation and Development (Special Assistant, Office of Housing Operations)
- NYC Dept. of Housing, Preservation and Development (Planner, Planning and Pipeline Development)

Nonprofit organizations such as:

- Clinton Housing Development Company (Director of Housing Development)
- Enterprise Community Partners (Program Officer, Freddie Mac Fellowship)
- Bedford Stuyvesant Restoration Corporation (Housing Development Specialist)

Private real estate development companies, planning consulting firms, or community development arms of commercial banks such as:

- Omni New York, LLC. (Executive Vice President for Development)
- HR&A (Principal)
- Appleseed (Senior Consultant)

CAREERS: ENVIRONMENT, INFRASTRUCTURE AND TRANSPORTATION

Obtain planning expertise to design & deliver public infrastructure services and safeguard environmental conditions for public health and welfare

WHAT THE WORLD IS LIKE AFTER GRADUATION

Private consulting and environmental planning firms such as:

- AKRF, Inc. (Senior Planner)
- Louis Berger Group (Planner)
- Anderson Pacific (Development Coordinator)

Government planning and economic development agencies such as:

- New Yorkers for Parks (Research Manager)
- NYC Dept. of Parks and Recreation (Park Planner)
- Washington DC Dept. of Transportation (Capital City Fellow, Transportation Policy and Planning Division)
- US Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (Policy Research Analyst)

Non-profit, transportation, and environmental organizations such as :

- Build It Green (Program Manager)

CAREERS: INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Will prepare planners to work with governments, community-based NGOs, and international development agencies on sub-national development in developing countries

WHAT THE WORLD IS LIKE AFTER GRADUATION

International Agencies such as:

- UN Development Programme (Inter-Agency Specialist)
- UN World Health Organization (National Polio Consultant)
- USAID (Turkmenistan Country Director)
- World Bank Institute (Program Officer)

NGO's and development, relief and advocacy agencies such as:

- American Cancer Society (Manager, Latin American Outreach)
- Church World Service (Associate Director for Latin America)
- International Partnership for Service Learning (Director of Alumni Relations and Development)
- Japan External Trade Organization (Public Affairs Assistant Researcher)
- World Health Solutions (Director Quality Improvement and Middle Eastern Business Development)

PARTING COMMENTS

Consult

- Program Requirement Checksheet for requirements
wagner.nyu.edu/urbanplanning/reqs
- Faculty for course selection
- Deb Cabrera for progress toward Capstone & graduation

Look outside “URPL-GP” for relevant courses in other Wagner specializations.

Consider non-Wagner courses (Poly, Schack, Stern, Law), but pay attention to deadlines and processes!

Look deeper than the course titles (read descriptions/syllabi)

HELPFUL LINKS

Urban Planning Faculty

- wagner.nyu.edu/urbanplanning/faculty

Specializations

- [wagner.nyu.edu/urbanplanning/spec env](http://wagner.nyu.edu/urbanplanning/spec_env)
- [wagner.nyu.edu/urbanplanning/spec housing](http://wagner.nyu.edu/urbanplanning/spec_housing)
- [wagner.nyu.edu/urbanplanning/spec international](http://wagner.nyu.edu/urbanplanning/spec_international)

Urban Planning Careers

- wagner.nyu.edu/urbanplanning/careers

Recent Graduate Employment Statistics

- wagner.nyu.edu/careers/stats

DECLARATION TIMELINE

- Thursday, October 29: Declaration deadline
- Complete the online form at:
wagner.nyu.edu/students/services/specialization_declaration
- Thursday, November 5: MUP/International Group Advisement Session (5:30pm-6:30pm in Mulberry)

REGISTRATION TIMELINE

- **Week of October 19:** Spring 2016 courses viewable in Albert
- **Week of October 26:** Spring 2016 Course Highlights posted on Courses page
- **Thursday, October 29:** Deadline to declare specialization
- **Monday, November 16:** Spring 2016 registration begins on Albert based on students' "appointment time" in Albert. Students can begin to place themselves on waitlists for Weighted Lottery courses.
- **Monday, November 23 at 5:00pm:** Weighted Lottery closes. Any registration requests submitted after this point will not be considered in the lottery.
- **Wednesday, December 9 at 5:00pm:** Students who entered Weighted Lottery can view their status in Albert
- All registration details will be in the Course Highlights:
wagner.nyu.edu/courses



URPL-GP 2608, URBAN ECONOMICS

- Offered only in the spring term
- Requires CORE-GP 1018 (Micro) as prerequisite
- Requires CORE-GP 1011 (Stats) as co- or prerequisite.
- Is a prerequisite for all Capstone sections
- Is a required course in the WEIGHTED LOTTERY
- Therefore:

DON'T MISS THE LOTTERY!!

ALUMNI PANEL

- Arundathi Amirapu '15
- Louise Bruce '12
- Conor Muldoon '14
- Elisabeth Wooton '11