1. Student Achievement

One goal of NYU Wagner’s Urban Planning Program is to prepare students to perform effectively as professional planners or in planning-related professions in the public, private, and nonprofit sectors. The objective is that the program graduates effective, thoughtful, and employable planning students. A performance indicator for that objective is client satisfaction with the quality of student professional skills in Capstone, the required end-event of the Master of Urban Planning degree. At the end of each academic year, Capstone clients are surveyed about their experience with Wagner Capstone teams. In the most recent survey (2015-2016), 56% of the Urban Planning clients responded, and, of those, all indicated that they were extremely satisfied with their overall experience with the Capstone team and their team’s recommendations. Of those respondents for whom the Capstone team developed specific tools or resources, 100% said they found the tools and resources to be useful or very useful. All of the clients who responded indicated that the Capstone project had a significant or very significant lasting impact on their organization, and they all strongly agreed that the final product was clearly and persuasively written and was responsive to the needs of the organization.

A second goal is that students learn critical planning concepts and skills. The performance indicator for that objective is that students acquire knowledge of planning history and theory, urban growth, urban spatial structure, basic data analysis, spreadsheet, census data, population analysis, economic/fiscal analysis and GIS skills. We teach these skills in the three urban planning core courses that all urban planning students are required to take: History and Theory of Planning, Urban Planning Methods and Practice, and Urban Economics. In 2015-2016, 95% of planning students received a grade of B or better in these classes.

2. Cost: Tuition and Fees

The most recent information about tuition & fees may be found on our Financial Aid website.

3. Student Retention and Graduation Rates

Number of MUP degrees granted in 2015-2016: 39
Four-year graduation rate (Fall 2012-Summer 2016): 96%
Retention rate (Fall 2015 to Fall 2016): 97%

4. Recent AICP Exam Pass Rate

Based on exam data through May 2016, of those 2013 alumni who took the AICP exam within three years of graduation, 100% passed it.

5. Recent Employment Rate

NYU Wagner’s Office of Career Services sends an employment survey to alumni six months, eight months, and ten months after their graduation. Of those 2014-2015 MUP graduates who responded to the Office of Career Services Employment Survey by May 2016, 82% were employed in a planning or planning-related job within one year of graduation.