

# MUP

# MASTER OF URBAN PLANNING

As over half of the world's population lives in cities, urban planners are more important than ever. This program gives you the unique opportunity to study urban planning in the context of the real world. And there's no better place than NYC to learn what happens when ideas meet messy urban realities. The skills, insights, and multidisciplinary toolkit you'll learn will prepare you to design more livable and sustainable cities, anywhere in the world.

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**As an urban planning program uniquely situated in a school of public policy, NYU Wagner provides future planners with a broad and expansive skill set. The networks and connections I developed at NYU Wagner help me to better serve the public and to make New York a healthier and greener city.**

**Nick Molinari, MUP 2005**

Chief of Planning and Parklands,  
NYC Department of Parks & Recreation



## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- **Housed within a school of public service**, you'll study a unique blend of planning, management, finance, and policy that prepares you to address financial constraints and resource limitations, and also market realities and political hurdles—the difference between beautiful designs and real impact.
- **A responsive program** that adapts to evolving urban challenges and provides the full set of skills for you to grapple with them.
- **A tight-knit and passionate student community**, with the resources of a larger school.

## ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

The MUP program can be completed in two years full-time or 3-4 years part-time, with the flexibility to switch between the two. All students take school-wide and urban planning core courses to gain essential, foundational skills. Students also choose a track, each of which has a set of required courses and a wide range of electives.

When you graduate, you'll be prepared to hit the ground running and make your impact in every area of urban planning, including transportation, housing and neighborhood development, and environmental sustainability, among others.



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**IN CITY MANAGEMENT & URBAN POLICY**  
BY U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT

# CORE CURRICULUM

Students must complete a total of 45 credits to graduate.

## REQUIRED SCHOOL CORE COURSES:

- **Managing Public Service Organizations**
- **Financial Management for Public, Nonprofit, and Health Organizations**
- **Statistical Methods for Public, Nonprofit, and Health Management**
- **Microeconomics for Public Management, Planning, and Policy Analysis**

## REQUIRED URBAN PLANNING CORE COURSES

- **Urban Planning Methods and Practice**
- **Urban Economics**
- **History and Theory of Urban Planning**
- **Land Use Law<sup>†</sup>**
- **Introduction to Urban Physical Design<sup>†</sup>**
- **Institutions, Governance, and International Development<sup>\*</sup>**
- **Decentralized Development Planning<sup>\*</sup>**

<sup>†</sup> Only for Economic Development and Housing & Environment, Infrastructure, and Transportation tracks

<sup>\*</sup> Only for International Development Planning track

# TRACKS

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING** teaches you economic theories, social theories, the politics of development, finance, and policy analysis so you can create thriving urban communities.

### SAMPLE COURSES

- **Poverty, Inequality, and Policy**
- **Public Space and Urban Identity: Theory, Policy, Politics, and Design**
- **Real Estate Finance**

**ENVIRONMENT, INFRASTRUCTURE, AND TRANSPORTATION** provides you with the critical skills to lead environmentally-conscious development efforts that support economic development and sustainability.

### SAMPLE COURSES

- **Transportation Policy and Behavior**
- **Adapting the Physical City: Innovations in Energy, Transportation, and Water**
- **Sustainable Cities in a Comparative Perspective**

**INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLANNING** prepares you to effectively plan the world's cities by providing you with a deep understanding of the issues, contexts, and organizations at play in international development.

### SAMPLE COURSES

- **Urbanization and Sustainable Development in a Transitional Economy: Experiencing China**
- **Sustainable Cities in a Comparative Perspective**
- **International Development Project Planning**

## APPLICATION COMPONENTS

- ✓ US bachelor's degree or equivalent
- ✓ Application and essays
- ✓ Transcripts from all undergraduate and graduate institutions attended
- ✓ Resume
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation
- ✓ GRE or GMAT recommended but not required
- ✓ TOEFL or IELTS Exam (if bachelor's program not conducted in English)
- ✓ \$85 application fee
- ✓ Video essay (optional)

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