

Community Planning — MCP

The community planning program at Auburn University is a professionally oriented master's degree program that focuses on the skills that professional planners need for practice in an interactive and interdisciplinary environment. The centerpiece of the program is the opportunity for students and faculty to engage with under-served communities throughout Alabama and the Southeast through outreach, teaching, and engaged research. Through working on projects with communities throughout Alabama and the Southeast, students learn to help diverse and complex communities create and implement plans that improve and protect their quality-of-life, culture, resource base, built environment, natural environment, and economic vitality.

The Master of Community Planning (MCP) is a professional, non-thesis degree. Students will normally earn the degree in two academic years by successfully completing 45 credit hours of course work, including two capstone plan-making workshops. The program offers dual degree options with public administration, and landscape architecture (each of which requires a separate application). Enhanced opportunities for interdisciplinary teaching and learning are offered by the program's distinctive Alabama City Year Program, in which the program focuses on one city in the Southeast each year and students complete multiple outreach and engagement projects in that city in each of their classes.

Master of Community Planning (45 credit hours)

Code	Title	Hours
CPLN 6010	Introduction to Community Planning	3
CPLN 6050	Land and Urban Economics	3
CPLN 6460	Geographic Information Systems for Planning and Policy	3
CPLN 7200	Urban Design Studio	3
CPLN 7240	Quantitative Methods for Planning	3
or POLI 7000	Research Methods for Public and Nonprofit Organizations	
CPLN 7300	Community-Based Qualitative Methods	3
CPLN 7350	Planning History and Theory	3
CPLN 7430	Land Use Law	3
CPLN 7600	Synthesis Studio I	3
CPLN 7610	Synthesis Studio 2	3
Electives (with MCP director approval)		15
Total Hours		45