

**College of Public Programs**  
Arizona State University  
**SCHOOL OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS**

**MINOR IN URBAN AND METROPOLITAN STUDIES**

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The minor in Urban and Metropolitan Studies offers students interested in the urban environment the opportunity to explore the wide variety of issues that influence the quality of life in urban communities. Students are encouraged to learn about cities as historical, social, cultural, economic, and political phenomena in order to gain a strong understanding of the complex relationships that contribute to the problems and opportunities of urban living. As the population in the state's urban areas continues to grow, so will the demand for leaders who are skilled in new and innovative ways with which to address the challenges such growth generates. The minor allows students enrolled in other undergraduate programs at ASU to broaden their educational experiences.

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**COURSE REQUIREMENTS FOR  
MINOR IN URBAN AND METROPOLITAN STUDIES**

<b><u>Required:</u></b>	<b><u>Credit Hours:</u></b>
URB 100 Introduction to Urban Governance -OR- URB 300 Evolution of Urban Governance	3
URB 105 Introduction to Urban America -OR- URB 305 American Urban Development: History, Politics and Diversity	3
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 Choose 2 of the following <b>Core Courses</b> :	
URB 220 Urban Governance	
URB 240 Urban Policy	
URB 301 Urban Research I: Methods and Design	
URB 302 Urban Research II: Practice and Presentation	
URB 410 Urban Leadership and Collaborative Skills	
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 <b><u>Urban Electives:</u></b>	
Students will choose from a variety of Urban Topics classes offered by the School of Public Affairs. Possible topics include: Leadership and Change; Leadership and Communication; Policy Analysis and Evaluation; Urban Economics; Political Economy; Computer Applications; Community Building and Development; Regionalism; Poverty and Social Welfare Policy; Comparative Urbanism.	
 Students may also take related courses if approved by the department. See below for listing.	
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 <b>Total Minor Hours:</b>	<b>18</b>

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Requirements: Eighteen hours of graded classroom coursework with a “C” or better in each course. Nine hours of upper division coursework from the approved list and twelve hours of residence credit at ASU. Eligibility to pursue the minor requires a major or pre-major other than Urban and Metropolitan Studies. Students pursuing the Urban and Metropolitan Studies Minor must see an advisor in their major in order to add the minor to their degree audit (DARS). If a Program of Study has been completed instead of DARS (athletes and those following older catalogs), then complete a minor verification form available in the College of Public Programs.

Approved elective courses from other department:

AFS 366 African Archaeology: Pre-colonial Urban Culture.  
GCU 361 Urban Geography.  
HIS 444 American Urban History.  
HST 319 U.S. Urban History to 1850.  
HST 320 U.S. Urban History Since 1850.  
HUD 201 Introduction to Housing and Urban Development.  
HUD 402 Community Revitalization: Problems and Strategies.  
PAF 300 Public Management and Administration.  
PAF 340 Public Management and Policy.  
PAF 420 Public Leadership.  
PAF 460 Public Service Ethics.  
PLA 101 Landscape and Society.  
PLA 410 Social Factors in Landscape and Urban Planning.  
PLA 420 Theory of Urban Design.  
POL 453 Latin American Cities.  
POS 110 Government and Politics.  
POS 220 Political Issues and Public Policy.  
POS 310 American National Government.  
POS 316 State and Local Government.  
POS 320 Public Administration.  
POS 325 Public Policy Development.  
POS 426 Elements of Public Policy.  
PUP 100 Introduction to Environmental Design.  
PUP 190 Sustainable Cities.  
PUP 200 The Planned Environment..  
PUP 301 Introduction to Urban Planning.  
PUP 425 Urban Housing Analysis.  
PUP 430 Transportation Planning and the Environment.  
PUP 436 City Structure and Planning.  
PUP 442 Environmental Planning.  
PUP 445 Women and Environments.  
PUP 475 Environmental Impact Assessment.  
SBS 460 Urban Studies.  
SBS 461 Program Evaluation and Policy Research.  
SOC 332 Urban Sociology.  
SOC 333 Population..  
SOC 332 The Modern City.  
TWC 200 Impact of Communications Technology on Society.  
WST 300 Women in Contemporary Society..