

Master of Urban Planning

Program Structure

Students must complete 32 units comprising:

- 20 units for all MUP Core Courses, and either

Option 1 - Research Pathway*:

- 12 units for MUP Research Courses, and Program Elective Courses and General Elective Courses, or

Option 2 - General Pathway:

- 12 units from MUP Program Elective Courses and General Elective Courses

**To enrol in the Research Pathway, a student must have—*

- (a) completed at least 8 units from Core Courses with a GPA of 5.5 or higher, or*
- (b) gained permission of the Head of School*

Recommended Study Plan

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The program can be commenced in either Semester 1 (February) or Semester 2 (July). Study plans for commencement in either semester across both pathways are included in this document:

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Recommended Study Plan: Option 1 Research Pathway - February Commencement

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SEM	YEAR 1			
Feb	ENVM7205 Climate Change & Environmental Management (2 units)	PLAN7116 Transport Planning (2 units)	PLAN7120 Citymaking: Theory & Practice (2 units)	PLAN7121 Community Participation in Planning (2 units)
July	ENVM7100 Foundations of Sustainable Development (2 units)	ENVM7206 Environmental Impact Assessment (2 units)	PLAN7122 Urban Design Theory & Practice (2 units)	ENVM7003 Applied Research Methods (2 units)
SEM	YEAR 2			
Feb	PLAN7612 Global South Cities: Development Planning Theory & Practice (2 units)	ENVM7123** Regulatory Frameworks for Environmental Management & Planning (2 units)	GEOS7001 Research Design (2 units)*	Program Elective or General Elective (2 units)
July	PLAN7126 Plan Making (2 units)	MUP Research Project (4 units)		MUP Research Project or Program Elective or General Elective (2 units)

Option 1 (Research Pathway):

Student must complete 32 units, comprising:

- 20 units for all MUP Core Courses;
- 4 units from MUP Research Compulsory Courses;
- 4 to 6 units from MUP Research Project Courses;
- 0 to 4 units from MUP Program Elective Courses; and
- 0 to 4 units from MUP General Elective Courses.

** Students must either complete ENVM7123 in Semester 1 or ENVM7124 in Summer Semester. Students who complete ENVM7124 in Summer Semester can choose which of their final 2 semesters they will complete 6 units

MUP Research Compulsory Courses

Complete 4 units from the following:

- ENVM7003** Applied Research Methods (2 units)
GEOS7001 Research Design (2 units)

MUP Research Project Courses

Complete 4 to 6 units from the following:

- ADPS7060** Thesis (4 units)
ADPS7061 Thesis (4 units)
ENVM7110 Research Project (4 units)
ENVM7118 Research Project (4 units)
ENVM7125 Research Project (6 units)
ENVM7126 Research Project (6 units)
ENVM7127 Research Project (6 units)
ENVM7128 Research Project (6 units)
ENVM7129 Research Project (6 units)

To enrol in courses MUP Research Project Courses, a student must have:

- completed at least 8 units from Core Courses with a GPA of 5.5 or higher, or
- gained permission of the Head of School

MUP Program Electives

Complete 0 to 4 units from the following:

- ADPS7300** Industry Placement (2 units)
ECON7000 Foundations in Microeconomics (2 units)
ECON7002 Economics for Commerce (2 units)
ENVM7202 Conservation Planning & Management (2 units)
GEOG7000 Applied Demography (2 units)
GEOG7002 Global Population Issues (2 units)
GEOM7002 Spatial Analysis & Modelling (2 units)
GEOM7005 Geographical Information Systems (2 units)
GEOS7106 Environmental Hazards (2 units)
MGTS7601 Managing Organisational Behaviour (2 units)
MGTS7618 Wise Leadership (2 units)
MGTS7619 Leadership: Theory & Practice (2 units)
PLAN7200 International Field Course: Understanding Development Complexities (2 units)
PLAN7615 The Global Metropolis (2 units)
POLS7101 Dynamics of Governance (2 units)
POLS7111 Dynamics of Public Policy (2 units)
POLS7190 Indigenous Politics Within & Beyond The State (2 units)
TIMS7317 Corporate Sustainability (2 units)
TOUR7051 Destination Marketing & Management (2 units)
WATR6105 Integrated Urban Water Management (2 units)

General Electives

Complete 0 to 4 units from the following:

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July	ENVM7100 Foundations of Sustainable Development (2 units)	ENVM7206 Environmental Impact Assessment (2 units)	PLAN7122 Urban Design Theory & Practice (2 units)	ENVM7003 Applied Research Methods (2 units)
Feb	ENVM7205 Climate Change & Environmental Management (2 units)	PLAN7116 Transport Planning (2 units)	PLAN7120 Citymaking: Theory & Practice (2 units)	PLAN7121 Community Participation in Planning (2 units)
SEM	YEAR 2			
July	PLAN7126 Plan Making (2 units)	GEOS7001 Research Design (2 units)*	Program Elective or General Elective (2 units)	Program Elective or General Elective (2 units)
Feb	PLAN7612 Global South Cities: Development Planning Theory & Practice (2 units)	MUP Research Project (4 units)		ENVM7123** Regulatory Frameworks for Environmental Management & Planning (2 units)

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- 4 to 6 units from MUP Research Project Courses;
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MUP Research Compulsory Courses

Complete 4 units from the following:

- ENVM7003 Applied Research Methods (2 units)
GEOS7001 Research Design (2 units)

MUP Research Project Courses

Complete 4 to 6 units from the following:

- ADPS7060 Thesis (4 units)
ADPS7061 Thesis (4 units)
ENVM7110 Research Project (4 units)
ENVM7118 Research Project (4 units)
ENVM7125 Research Project (6 units)
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ECON7002 Economics for Commerce (2 units)
ENVM7202 Conservation Planning & Management (2 units)
GEOG7000 Applied Demography (2 units)
GEOG7002 Global Population Issues (2 units)
GEOM7002 Spatial Analysis & Modelling (2 units)
GEOM7005 Geographical Information Systems (2 units)
GEOS7106 Environmental Hazards (2 units)
MGTS7601 Managing Organisational Behaviour (2 units)
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TIMS7317 Corporate Sustainability (2 units)
TOUR7051 Destination Marketing & Management (2 units)
WATR6105 Integrated Urban Water Management (2 units)

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SEM	YEAR 1			
Feb	ENVM7205 Climate Change & Environmental Management (2 units)	PLAN7116 Transport Planning (2 units)	PLAN7120 Citymaking: Theory & Practice (2 units)	PLAN7121 Community Participation in Planning (2 units)
July	ENVM7100 Foundations of Sustainable Development (2 units)	ENVM7206 Environmental Impact Assessment (2 units)	PLAN7122 Urban Design Theory & Practice (2 units)	Program Elective (2 units)
SEM	YEAR 2			
Feb	PLAN7612 Global South Cities: Development Planning Theory & Practice (2 units)	ENVM7123** Regulatory Frameworks for Environmental Management & Planning (2 units)	Program Elective (2 units)	Program Elective or General Elective (2 units)
July	PLAN7126 Plan Making (2 units)	Program Elective (2 units)	Program Elective (2 units)	Program Elective or General Elective (2 units)

Option 2 General Pathway:

Student must complete 32 units, comprising:

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MUP Program Electives

Complete 0 to 12 units from the following:

ADPS7300	Industry Placement (2 units)
ECON7000	Foundations in Microeconomics (2 units)
ECON7002	Economics for Commerce (2 units)
ENVM7202	Conservation Planning & Management (2 units)
GEOG7000	Applied Demography (2 units)
GEOG7002	Global Population Issues (2 units)
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