

Minor in Urban Design, 15 Units

The Minor in Urban Design provides a platform for students to explore issues related to the urban condition that is unfolding in the twenty-first century. Within this framework you will explore urbanization processes in the context of design applications and tools, critical urban issues, urban history, theory and its application towards real world scenarios.

Aging infrastructure networks; pressures on access to education; overextended health care systems; the loss of other public investments; false securities in the housing market; spatial exclusion based on class, race, and gender; the dispossession of local inhabitants from common resources or food supply interruptions; the vulnerability and degradation of the environment; and wasteful forms of consumerism for the sake of capital accumulation all seem to be thriving themes in and around urbanization today.

Over the last three decades, the field of urban studies has received an overwhelming attention from design disciplines as well as disciplines other outside the world of design. This has led to an outpouring of scholarly and political discourse, challenging the image as well as the perception of what is considered urban today.

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3 units of Design Methods:

A46 ARCH 144, <i>Architecture (Design) for Non-Architects</i> (non-architecture majors)	3 units
A46 ARCH 312/412, <i>Urban Design + Landscape Systems Option Studio</i> (architecture majors, *only 3 units count toward minor)	6 units*

3 units of Foundations:

A46 307X, <i>Community Building, Building Community</i> (fall only)	3 units
A46 421W, <i>Designing the Modern City: Urbanism Since 1850</i> (spring only)	3 units

3 units of Advanced Coursework (pick one course from below):

A49 656, <i>Metropolitan Urbanism</i> (fall only)	3 units
A49 652H, <i>Metropolitan Development</i> (fall only)	3 units
A49 658, <i>Metropolitan Sustainability</i> (spring only)	3 units

6 units of Urban Design Electives:

Any courses 300-level or above listed as A49 Urban Design
Or other courses as approved by the Minor Advisor

Notes

For architecture majors, 12 units must be in the Minor only and cannot be double-counted toward another major or minor.

Elective options may vary each semester and each year. The Minor Advisor can help determine courses that best meet a student's interest areas.

In the event a required course is not offered in a given semester, or if a student has irreconcilable scheduling conflicts with their required Major or Minor courses, appropriate alternate courses may be substituted after discussion and approval from the Minor Advisor.