

Urban and Regional Planning Program

Michigan State University

Public Information: Bachelors of Science in Urban and Regional Planning

The Urban & Regional Planning Program at Michigan State University was established in 1946 and offers a Bachelor of Urban and Regional Planning and a Master of Urban and Regional Planning.

The Program provides a broad education at the undergraduate and graduate levels, with particular expertise in community development, environment and sustainability, real estate and housing, economic development, and transportation. Faculty members have strong academic and professional backgrounds, offering a diverse range of perspectives on the practice of planning. The Program adopts a global focus and provides several international opportunities for students to study abroad, and to work with international students and faculty visiting the Program.

The first measure is an objective evaluation by faculty members through the rubric systems, assessing the Program's Culminating Experience with emphasis on *knowledge, skills*, attitudes, competencies, and *habits of mind*. This evaluation tool has four levels, with LEVEL I being a beginner in learning about the planning profession and LEVEL IV mastering *knowledge, skills*, attitudes, competencies, and *habits of mind* of the planning profession.

Undergraduate progress to mastery level upon graduation (2019)

	LEVEL I	LEVEL II	LEVEL III	LEVEL IV
Ethically-driven team leader	7%	13%	40%	40%
Innovative thinker	7%	7%	46%	40%
Skillful professional	7%	7%	33%	53%
Knowledgeable planning practitioner	7%	13%	67%	13%
Policy-oriented learner	7%	7%	46%	40%

N=15

Evaluation of mastery of the planning profession through cap stone client (2019)

capstone	Weak	Acceptable	Semi professional	Professional
Quality of research	0%	0%	15%	85%
Visual presentation	0%	0%	26%	74%
Public speaking and professionalism	0%	0%	24%	76%

N=34; the capstone is taught jointly with undergraduate and graduate students

2019-20 Tuition and Fees

In State Residents, per full-time academic year

\$17,190

Out of State Residents, per full-time academic year

\$41,572

Student Retention Rate

Percentage of students who began studies in fall 2018 and continued into fall 2019

Percent

100%

Student Graduation Rate

Percentage of students graduating within 6 years, entering class of 2013

Percent

80%

Number of Degrees Awarded

Number of degrees awarded for the 2018 - 2019 Academic Year

12

AICP Certification

Percentage of bachelor's graduates taking the AICP exam within 7 years who passed, graduating class of 2012.

Percent

N/A

Employment

Percentage of full-time graduates obtaining professional planning, planning-related, or other positions within 12 months of graduation, graduating class of 2018

Percent

67%

Percentage of students continuing to further study, graduating class of 2018

13%