

Master of Community Planning (Fall Intake)
Auburn University College of Liberal Arts
Department of Political Science

First Year
Fall 1 (12 Credits)

Course No.	Course Name	HRS.
CPLN 6010	Introduction to Community Planning Examines the basic principles of community design and planning, and introduces areas of specialization with the professional of planning.	3 CORE
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CPLN 7300	Community based Qualitative Methods Introduces graduate students to the foundational principles of qualitative inquiry and community-based/community-engaged research.	3 CORE
CPLN 7350	Planning History and Theory This course provides future practitioners with the theoretical and historical tools and knowledge to effective in the planning field.	3 CORE

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CPLN 7240	Quantitative methods for Planning Development of working knowledge of planning techniques such as data collection, basic statistics, demographic analysis, economic analysis, social research, transportation, and evaluation.	3 CORE
CPLN 7430	Land Use Law This course covers three key elements of the planning profession: ethics, law and plan implementation.	3 CORE
CPLN 6460	GIS for Planning and Policy Program approval for non-majors and ABM students. Basic concepts of geographic information systems and digital planning applications. Emphasis on spatial decision-making and visualization of planning scenarios.	3 CORE

Second Year
Fall 2 (12 Credits)

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CPLN 7600	Synthesis Studio 1 Serves as the primary opportunity for the student to demonstrate their competency in community design and planning by transition knowledge into action through the development of a practical plan.	3 CORE
Elective	Elective (with MCP director approval)	3 E
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