



Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy

# UNDERGRADUATE MAJOR in PLANNING & PUBLIC POLICY

## THE BLOUSTEIN SCHOOL

The Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy was established in 1992 to prepare students to be the leaders of tomorrow, conduct cutting-edge, policy-relevant research and scholarship, cultivate leadership and public engagement and community service, and to address the crucial policy issues of our time. The school fosters a highly-collaborative academic, scholarly and professional environment, where the disciplines of urban planning, public policy, public health, and health administration closely converge.

## UNDERGRADUATE MAJOR IN PLANNING AND PUBLIC POLICY (Bachelor of Arts Degree)

The major in planning and public policy (762, 762D) prepares students for entry-level jobs in the public and private sectors, especially in the fields of housing, community development, government service, land use, real estate, transportation, and health policy, and for graduate education in public administration, public policy, and urban planning.

## PREREQUISITES (9-10 cr)

- 355:101 Expository Writing (3)
- 762:205 Basic Statistical Methods (4) or equivalent (3-4)
- 220:102 Intro to Microeconomics (3) or 11:373:121 Principles & Applications of Microeconomics (3)

## MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (37 cr total)

Effective January 1, 2017

### Core (16 cr)

- One of the following (3):
  - 220:103 Intro to Macroeconomics (3)
  - 790:104 American Government (3)
- One of the following intensive writing courses (3):
  - 775:300 Writing for Professionals (3)
  - 355:302 Scientific and Technical Writing (3)
  - 355:303 Writing for Business and the Professions (3)
  - 355:315 Writing Grant Proposals (3)
- 775:395 Research Methods (4) — *Prerequisite: A 300-level writing course; open to majors only*
- \*762:400 Internship with Seminar (3) — *Prerequisite: Research Methods 775:395; open to majors only*
- \*762:499 Senior Seminar (3) — *Open to majors with at least 100 credits and no outstanding core requirements.*

*\*Students with a minimum 3.4 cumulative GPA may replace 762:400 and 762:499 with 762:497, 498 Bloustein Honors Research (3, 3)*

## Required Electives (21 cr)

21 credits of electives with course code 762, 15 credits of which must be at the 300-level or higher.

Students interested in select career paths should consider clustering their electives and seek advising early in their program of studies.

## Certificate Programs

The Bloustein School offers a variety of planning and public policy certificates. Certificates are awarded only with, or subsequent to, receiving a bachelor's degree. Awarded certificates appear on the student's transcript. ***Students must declare their intention to pursue a certificate program with the Bloustein School prior to their last semester of study in order to qualify to receive a certificate.***

- Community Development (24 cr)
- Real Estate (24 cr)
- Urban Planning (24 cr)
- Community Sustainability (18 cr)

Please see [bloustein.rutgers.edu/undergraduate/planning-and-public-policy-certificate-programs/](http://bloustein.rutgers.edu/undergraduate/planning-and-public-policy-certificate-programs/) for curriculum requirements for each certificate.

## UNDERGRADUATE MINOR IN PLANNING AND PUBLIC POLICY (24-25 cr)

Students seeking the planning and public policy minor must complete three core courses and five 762 elective courses (15 cr), four of which must be at the 300-level or higher. Students should declare the planning and public policy minor with their matriculating school; they need not apply for minor status with the Bloustein School. Only courses with a grade of "C" or better can be counted toward the minor program of study.

### Minor Core (9-10 cr)

- 762:101 Introduction to Planning, Policy and Health (3)
- 762:205 Basic Statistical Methods (4) or equivalent (3-4)
- 220:103 Intro to Microeconomics (3)

### Electives (15 cr)

15 credits of electives with course code 762.

## JOINT BA OR BS/MCRP PROGRAM

Exceptional, well-prepared students from any Rutgers-New Brunswick matriculating unit who wish to study urban planning are encouraged to seek advising about the 3-1-1 Master of City and Regional Planning (MCRP) program.

[bloustein.rutgers.edu/undergraduate](http://bloustein.rutgers.edu/undergraduate)

## SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES (SAS) OR SCHOOL OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES (SEBS) STUDENTS (762)

Students in the School of Arts and Sciences (SAS) and students in the School of Environmental and Biological Sciences (SEBS) who wish to remain in their primary unit must apply for admission prior to declaring the major.

SAS students may pursue Planning and Public Policy as their first major and remain within SAS. SEBS students may pursue Planning and Public Policy as a second major in order to remain within SEBS. SAS and SEBS students can apply for the Planning and Public Policy major by visiting <http://bloustein.rutgers.edu/major-application>.

Applicants must have achieved a minimum grade of "C" or better in each of the pre-requisite courses and be in good academic standing.

Students are advised to declare the Planning and Public Policy major no later than their first semester of junior year to ensure completion of the major by their anticipated graduation date.

Only courses with "C" or better may be counted towards the health administration major, and SAS students must complete the general education requirements of SAS. The degree is awarded jointly by the Bloustein School and the School of Arts and Sciences.

## TRANSFER STUDENTS (762D)

Current Rutgers students seeking a school-to-school transfer from another Rutgers unit, or students transferring to Rutgers from another college or university, must apply via the Office of Undergraduate Admissions. For a school-to-school transfer visit [www.ugadmissions.rutgers.edu/SchoolToSchool/auth.aspx](http://www.ugadmissions.rutgers.edu/SchoolToSchool/auth.aspx). If you are transferring from outside of Rutgers, visit [admissionservices.rutgers.edu/ugrad/](http://admissionservices.rutgers.edu/ugrad/).

Transfer students from New Jersey community colleges are encouraged to complete lower division prerequisite courses and the Associate's Degree in order to benefit from articulation agreements.

Transfer students seeking the Planning and Public Policy major must have at least 30 credits before applying to the Bloustein School. Successful applicants will have completed the prerequisite courses with a grade of "C" or better, and have achieved an overall GPA of at least 2.5.

This program is designed to accommodate the needs of transfer and nontraditional students. To learn more on how to apply, admission requirements, and academic policies, please visit the major homepage:

[bloustein.rutgers.edu/undergraduate/planningandpublicpolicy](http://bloustein.rutgers.edu/undergraduate/planningandpublicpolicy).

Only courses with "C" or better may be counted towards program requirements. Upon completing the major, all General Education requirements\*, and a minimum of 120 credits in good academic standing, the student will receive the Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree from the Bloustein School.

### \* General Education Requirements (27 cr)

for students transferring to the Bloustein School (school-to-school and external transfers)

- Expository Writing or equivalent (3) *FULFILLED BY PREREQUISITE*
- An intensive writing course (3) *FULFILLED WITHIN THE MAJOR*
- College-level math (3)
- Two, 3-credit Science courses (3, 3)
- Two, 3-credit Arts & Humanities courses (3, 3)
- One, 3-credit course in History (3)
- One, 3-credit Diversity course (3)

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## Planning & Public Policy (762)



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