

DUAL DEGREE MASTER OF CITY AND REGIONAL PLANNING / MASTER OF PUBLIC POLICY (MCRP/MPP)

Combining the Bloustein School's Master of City and Regional Planning (MCRP) and Master of Public Policy (MPP) leads to a three-year dual degree option for program and potential applicants. Students are accepted independently to both graduate programs after providing a separate application to each, but share concentrations, course electives, and requirements.

Three-Year 72-Credit Dual-Degree Program (36, MCRP and 36, MPP)

Note that this is a savings of 24 credits compared to earning the 48-credit MCRP and the MPP degrees separately. Each degree program effectively accepts 12 credits from the other program.

Four methods courses (12 credits total) are required, spanning the core courses in both programs. The required methods courses are Basic Quantitative Methods, Research Design, Planning Methods, and Applied Multivariate Methods (as listed in the sample flight plan below). If a student places out of Basic Quantitative Methods, they must take another methods course to complete the 12 credits. Methods courses beyond the 12 minimum credits are permitted and counted as electives or concentration courses.

Public Policy (PP) Masters (MPP degree):

24 credits of core courses; 12 credits of concentration or elective courses, and the remaining 12 credits are UP courses that get transferred into the MPP degree.

Urban Planning (UP) Masters (MCRP degree):

24 credits of core courses, 12 credits of concentration or elective courses, and the remaining 12 credits are PP courses that get transferred into the MCRP degree.

Concentrations are available in Community Development, Transportation, Environment and Energy among others. A **sample model flight path** is outlined below but can be modified based on individual needs:

Semester 1

PP 34:833:510	Public Policy Formation
UP 34:970:515	Basic Quantitative Methods
UP 34:970:501	History and Theory of Planning
PP/UP	Concentration Requirement

Semester 2

PP 34:833:543	Economics and Public Policy (UP accepts for 34:970:509 Urban Economy and Spatial Patterns)
UP 34:970:516	Planning Methods
UP 34:970:517	Survey of Planning Law Principles
PP/UP	Concentration Requirement

Semester 3

PP 34:833:530	Research Design
PP/UP	Concentration Requirement
PP/UP	Elective (PP or UP accepts for elective)
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Semester 4

UP 34:970:511	Graduate Planning Studio (PP accepts for Policy Practicum)
PP/UP	Concentration Requirement
PP/UP	Concentration Requirement or Elective
PP 34:833:525	Applied Multivariate Methods

Semester 5

UP 34:970:510	Graduate Planning Studio (PP accepts for Policy Practicum)
PP/UP	Elective (PP or UP accepts for elective)
PP*	PP Applied Field Experience (summer) *
PP	Management or Budgeting Requirement

Semester 6

PP	Management or Budgeting Requirement
PP/UP	Elective
PP/UP	Elective
PP/UP	Elective

* Only one internship or AFE experience for credit.

Admission/Application Process

Current graduate students in the MCRP or MPP degree programs wishing to add the dual degree option should connect with their **current program director** to begin the process of application to the dual degree program, followed by Courtney Culler, Assistant Director for Graduate Student Services (courtney.culler@rutgers.edu).

New, **prospective students** to the school should reach out to recruit@ejb.rutgers.edu to have initial discussions on the application process.