

**SAVANNAH STATE UNIVERSITY**

**College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences**

**Department of Political Science & Public Affairs**

REVISIONS TO MINOR IN URBAN STUDIES AND PLANNING (USP)

Description

The minor in Urban Studies and Planning is an interdisciplinary program with a strong social sciences foundation designed to develop a comprehensive knowledge based, and analytical and problem-solving skills for careers in the public and private sectors. The minor provides students with a general awareness and understanding of planning as a tool in developing healthy communities, project management, and decision-making. The minor also has a non-mandatory mini externship initiative*.* The purpose of the externship/job shadowing program is to allow students who have declared the minor in Urban Studies and Planning, and have successfully completed nine USP semester hours, to shadow/observe a professional conducting a planning function. This initiative is designed to provide a clear understanding of the role of planning in various careers

Students obtaining a minor in Urban Studies and Planning are required to take and satisfactorily complete fifteen semester hours which includes two core courses.

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| **Course** | | **Hour** |
|  | **REQUIRED** |  | |
| **POLS 3813** | Introduction to Urban Planning | 3 | |
| **POLS 3811** | Urban Politics | 3 | |
|  | **ELECTIVES (9 hours required)** |  | |
| **BIOL 3621** | Urban Health and Hygiene | 3 | |
| **BUSA 3145** | Global Business Issues | 3 | |
| **CRJU 2101** | Police and Society | 3 | |
| **CRJU 3131** | Social Research Methods | 3 | |
| **GEOG 3621** | Population Geography | 3 | |
| **HSEM 3130** | Emergency Planning & Incident Management | 3 | |
| **HSEM 3250** | Risk Vulnerability Assessment | 3 | |
| **MGNT 3165** | Management of Organizations (Prerequisite for MGNT 4221) | 3 | |
| **MGNT 4221** | Social Entrepreneurship | 3 | |
| **MSCI 3702** | Introduction to Geographical Information Systems[[1]](#footnote-1) | 3 | |
| **POLS 3101** | International Politics | 3 | |
| **POLS 3301** | African American Politics | 3 | |
| **POLS 3702** | Introduction to Geographical Information Systems | 3 | |
| **POLS 3801** | Gender and Politics | 3 | |
| **POLS 4511** | Public Policy [[2]](#footnote-2) | 3 | |
| **SOCI 3122** | Sociology of Poverty | 3 | |
| **SOCI 3611** | Minorities and the Social Environment | 3 | |
| **SOCI 3631** | Urban Sociology | 3 | |
| **SOCI 3401** | Social Research | 3 | |

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Declaration of Minor in Urban Studies and Planning (USP) Form

**General Information** (Please print)

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| **Name** | Last First Middle |
| **Student ID#** |  |
| **Mailing Address** |  |
| **City, State ZIP Code** |  |
| **Telephone (Home)** |  |
| **Telephone (Cell)** |  |
| **E-mail Address (SSU)** |  |
| **Alternative E-mail Address[[3]](#footnote-3)** |  |
| **Preferred Contact Method** |  |

**ACADEMIC INFORMATION**

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| **Current Major** |  |
| **Academic Classification** | \_\_\_Freshman \_\_\_Sophomore \_\_\_Junior \_\_\_Senior |
| **Academic Advisor** |  |

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**Student’s Signature Date**

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**Minor USP Coordinator/Advisor**

1. Students are limited to one GIS course (MSCI 3702 or POLS 3702). [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Prerequisites: POLS 1101 (American Government) and POLS 2601 (Introduction to Public Administration) [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. Optional [↑](#footnote-ref-3)