

Urban Studies

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Cities are places where human life is at its most intense - everything seems to be faster, louder, and more frenetic. They are where economies grow, where political movements emerge, and where cultural treasures are preserved. Cities are also where inequalities are most apparent. It seems safe to say that in cities you find the best and the worse that human societies have to offer. And, in the 21st century, cities around the world will only continue to grow.

Whether you are interested in business, history, engineering, sociology, political science, environmental sustainability, art, or education, it all happens in a city. Come learn how cities work. The Urban Studies Program at Manhattan College offers the perfect major, double major, or minor for your time in New York City!

Major

Requirements for a Major in Urban Studies

Ten courses totaling at least 30 credits are required. These courses must come from the list approved for Urban Studies credit and they must be taken from at least 3 departments.

All majors are required to take:

1) the introductory course in urban studies, URBN 202 Introduction to Urban Studies;

and

2a) either the senior Research Seminar, URBN 401 Seminar - Urban Studies,

or

2b) senior thesis, URBN 406 Urban Honors Thesis I and URBN 407 Urban Honors Thesis II

3) a supervised field experience/internship in an urban context. This requirement may be satisfied by URBN 475 ([http://catalog.manhattan.edu/search/?P=URBN %20475](http://catalog.manhattan.edu/search/?P=URBN%20475)) Internship or URBN 205 ([http://catalog.manhattan.edu/search/?P=URBN %20205](http://catalog.manhattan.edu/search/?P=URBN%20205)) Urban America and Catholic Social Teaching. A field-oriented independent research study, URBN 402 ([http://catalog.manhattan.edu/search/?P=URBN %20402](http://catalog.manhattan.edu/search/?P=URBN%20402)) Independent Study, may substitute for the internship/field experience only by permission of the program director.

No more than 4 courses in any department can be counted towards the Urban Studies major.

A minimum grade of C is required in all courses to fulfill the requirements for the major.

Minor

The minor in Urban Studies is available to students in all schools of the College. 15 credits or 5 courses are required, including the introductory course in Urban Studies: URBN 202

Introduction to Urban Studies . No more than two courses from any one discipline can be counted towards the minor. A minimum grade of C is required to fulfill the requirements for the minor.

Courses for Urban Studies Majors and Minors

Courses are approved for Urban Studies credit on an ongoing basis. List below is not comprehensive.

AHS 206	Introduction to Public Health	3
ART 358	The New York Skyscraper	3
ART 360	New York City Architecture, Urbanism and Design	3
ART 370	Current Trends	3
CIVL 201	Introduction to Civil Engineering	3
CIVL 202	Transportation	3
CIVL 403	Civil Engineering Economy and Law	3
COMM 400	Political Communication	3
ECON 332	Introduction to Environmental Economics	3
ENGL 212	Latino/Latina Literature	3
ENGL 285	Literary New York	3
ENGL 338	Studies in Twentieth-and Twenty-first-Century American Literature	3
ENGL 348	Postcolonial Literature	3
ENGL 400	The Theater and the City	3
ENSC 101	Intro to Environmental Science	3
ENVL 406	Water and Wastewater Treatment Processes	3
HIST 231	Introduction to African American History	3
HIST 358	The Industrial Revolution	3
HIST 387	New York City and the American Urban Experience	3
HIST 390	Terror and Terrorism	3
LABR 301	Field Work	3
MGMT 430	Business, Government, and Society	3
MUSC 300	History of Rock and Roll	3
MUSC 310	History of the Broadway Musical	3
MUSC 325	Modern Music & The Avant-Garde	3
MUSC 330	History of Jazz	3
POSC 210	Research Methods in Political Science	3
POSC 212	Wall Street	3
POSC 221	Urban Govt & Politics	3
POSC 222	Power in the City	3
POSC 322	Public Administration	3
POSC 223	Environmental Politics	3
POSC 254	Global Cities	3
POSC 315	State and Local Government in the United States	3

POSC 318	Community Organizing for Social Change	3
PSYC 321	Social Psychology	3
RELS 202	U.S. Latino/A Catholicism	3
RELS 204	Religion and Social Justice	3
RELS 312	Muslims in America	3
RELS 363		
RELS 399	Criminal Justice Ethics	3
SOC 204	Urban Anthropology	3
SOC 210	Introduction to Social Services	3
SOC 220	Social Problems	3
SOC 225	Telling Stories with Maps	3
SOC 250	Introduction to GIS	3
SOC 262	Contemporary Latin American Development	3
SOC 270	Criminology	3
SOC 273	Mass Incarceration and Collateral Consequences	3
SOC 275	Issues in Contemporary Policing	3
SOC 294	Gender, Crime & Justice	3
SOC 295	Capitalism	3
SOC 296	Introduction to Human Geography	3
SOC 303	Urban Planning	3
SOC 302	Race and Resistance	3
SOC 304	Social Inequalities	3
SOC 307	Research Methods	3
SOC 308	Juvenile Justice	3
SOC 310	Sociology of Deviance	3
SOC 312	Social Service Practice	3
SOC 318	Community Organizing for Social Change	3
SOC 324	Sociological Theories	3
SOC 327	Power and Conflict	3
SOC 332	Labor Studies Colloquium	3
SOC 333	US Labor Patterns and Movements	3
SOC 334	Sustainable Development	3
SOC 350	Advanced Topics in Geographic Information Systems (GIS)	3
SOC 338	Schools and Society	3
SOC 361	Criminal Justice Administration	3
SOC 362	Modern American Gangs	3
SOC 364	Law and Society	3
SOC 366	White Collar Crime	3
SOC 367	Criminal Justice Ethics	3
SOC 380	Sport and American Society	3