

Social Services & Community Organizing Emphasis Area

Bachelor of Arts in Urban and Community Studies (UCS)

Major Degree Requirements with Emphasis Area Recommendation - Effective Fall 2014

UCS majors complete a total of 36 course credits, 24 within the major plus an additional 12 related, toward the minimum 120 credits required to graduate from the University of Connecticut.

GROUP I: REQUIRED CORE COURSES

Take both courses listed below = 6 credits

URBN 2000 (Introduction to Urban and Community Studies)
URBN 4000 (Understanding Your Community)

GROUP II: CORE

Select three courses from three different departments = 9 credits

Strongly Recommended

SOCI 3425 (Social Welfare & Social Work)

Recommended

ECON 2456 (Economics of Poverty)
GEOG 3200/URBN 3200 (Urban Geography)
HIST 3541/URBN 3541 (History of Urban America)
HIST 3554 (Immigrants & the Shaping of American History)
HIST 3564/AFAM 3564 (African American History Since 1865)
HIST 3674/PRLS 3220 (History of Latinos/as in the US)
POLS 3632/URBN 3632 (Urban Politics)
PP 4034 (Social Policy)
SOCI 3901/URBN 3275 (Urban Sociology)
SOCI 3911 (Communities)
URBN 3000 (Urban Anthropology)

GROUP III: METHODS

Select one course = 3 credits

Recommended

GEOG 3500Q (Geographic Data Analysis)
GEOG 4500 (Introduction to Geographic Information Systems (GIS))
POLS 2072Q (Quantitative Analysis in Political Science)
PP 2100/URBN 2100 (Survey Research Methods)
PP 3010 (Public Policy Research Methods I (Program Evaluation))
SOCI 3201 (Methods of Social Research)
STAT 2215Q (Introduction to Statistics II)
URBN 2301Q (Research Methods & (Qualitative) Analysis in UCS)
URBN 3998 (Variable Topic course "Quantitative Analysis of UCS")

GROUP IV: SUPPORTING

Select two courses = 6 credits

Strongly Recommended

SOCI 3825/AFAM 3825/HRTS 3825 (African Americans and Social Protest)

Recommended

(Plus any recommended courses in Groups II & III)

ECON 3439/URBN 3439 (Urban & Regional Economics)
GEOG 4200 (Geographical Analysis of Urban Social Issues)
HDFS 2001 (Diversity Issues in Human Development and Family Studies)
HIST 3520 (Social and Cultural History of CT and New England)
HIST 3530/AASI 3578 (Asian American Experience Since 1850)
HIST 3568/AFRA3 568 (Hip-Hop, Politics & Youth Culture in America)
INTD 3584W (Seminar in Urban Problems (Urban Semester))
POLS 2622 (State & Local Government)
POLS 3212/HRTS 3212 (Comparative Perspectives in Human Rights)
POLS 3642/AFRA 3642 (African American Politics)
POLS 3662/LLAS 3270 (Latino Political Behavior)
POLS 3847 (The Policy-making Process)
PP 3001 (Public Policy)
PP 3033/AFRA 3033/POLS 3633 (Race and Public Policy)
SOCI 3429 (Sociological Perspectives on Poverty)
SOCI 3601 (Sociology of Gender)
SOCI 3903/URBN 3276 (Urban Problems)
SOCI 3907 (City Life)
URBN 3981 or INTD 3594 (Internship in UCS or Urban Semester Seminar)
URBN 3995 (Special Topics – depending on topic)
URBN 3998 (Variable Topics – depending on topic)
URBN 4999 (Independent Study)

RELATED COURSES

Select four courses = 12 credits

Recommended

(Plus courses recommended in Groups II, III & IV, with the exception of URBN courses and those cross-listed with URBN)

ANTH 3339 (Cultural Designs for Sustainability)
HRM 3262 (Introduction to Mediation and Arbitration)
SOCI 3403 (Complex Organizations)
SOCI 3821 (Social Movements and Social Change)
SOCI 3831/HRTS 3831 (Human Rights in the United States)
SOCI 3835/HRTS 3835 (Refugees and Humanitarianism)

Notes:

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