

Department of Financial Planning, Housing and Consumer Economics

Master of Science Degree Requirements Community Development Concentration, Non-Thesis Option

CORE COURSES

<i>Completed</i>	<u>Course</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Title/Description</u>
_____	+FHCE 6340s	3	Housing and Community Development <i>Explores the link between housing and community development. The quality of a community's housing stock and the range of housing options offered have a significant impact on the quality of life experienced by its residents. Students will learn basic techniques of community and neighborhood analysis</i>
_____	+EDES 6540	3	Ideas of Community and Place <i>The relationship between concepts of community and the physical environments (home, village, town, city, region) that may be designed in ways that foster personal and societal commitment to community and place.</i>
_____	+PADP 7210	3	Introduction to the Nonprofit Sector: Theory and Practice <i>Introduction to the theory, trends, and policies that shape the nonprofit sector in the United States and abroad. A brief history of the nonprofit sector in the United States followed by an overview of nonprofit theory and classification systems for nonprofit organizations</i>
	- or -		
_____	+FHCE 7310		Affordable Housing Development and Management <i>Examination of residential property management in a variety of nonprofit, government, and government-assisted contexts. Special focus is given to management in various special housing communities including senior housing, supportive housing for the elderly and people with mental or physical disabilities, affordable housing, military housing, and student housing</i>
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_____	+SOWK 7236		Community Engagement and Assessment <i>An introduction to community assessment; specifically, the knowledge, skills, and value base derived from community-based participatory theory and practice. It emphasizes the myriad roles, goals, and strategies used by community practitioners in effectively and innovatively conducting action-oriented community assessments</i>
_____	+FHCE 7000	3	Master's Research <i>Research while enrolled for a master's degree under the direction of faculty members</i>
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_____	+FHCE 7950		Research Internship in Financial Planning, Housing and Consumer Economics <i>Supervised experience in qualitative and/or quantitative research in a topic area related to financial planning, housing and consumer economics</i>
		12	Total Core Hours

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT METHODS

_____	+GRSC 7880s	3	Community-Engaged Research Methods <i>Philosophy, methodologies, ethics, and practice of community- engaged research across disciplines</i>
_____	STAT 6210	3	Introduction to Statistical Methods I <i>First course on statistics emphasizing applications in social, behavioral sciences. Covers elementary topics, one and two sample inference, simple linear regression, some categorical data analysis. Uses point-and-click statistical software. Provides preparation for Introduction to Statistical Methods I</i>
_____	+HIPR 6680s	3	Community Design Charrettes <i>This service-learning course provides students with a real- world opportunity to work side-by-side with faculty and stakeholders to address community design through two multi-day collaborative planning events called charrettes. Students will learn facilitation and presentation skills, employ smart growth principles, and learn to solve complex problems in a compressed timeframe</i>
_____	+GEOG 6370	3	Geographic Information Science <i>Principles and applications of geographic information systems (GIS). Examines the nature and accuracy of spatially referenced data, as well as methods of data capture, storage, retrieval, visualization, modeling, and output using one or more GIS software packages</i>
	- or -		
_____	+GEOG 6370e		<i>The (e) denotes that this is an online course.</i>
			<i>Both options are comprised of 2 hours lecture and 2 hours lab each week</i>
		12	Total Methods Hours

TOPIC CONCENTRATION AREAS (6-9 credit hours)

Students will work with their advisor to create a program of study. This may include on thematic area or an integration of courses from several areas.

Housing and Community-suggested course options

+FHCE 4310		Housing Policy
+FHCE 4300		Advanced Housing Theory
+FHCE 5350s		Housing Counseling
+EDES 6650		City Planning
+EDES 6540	3	Ideas of Community
+EDES 6640		History of Urban Planning
+GEOG 6385		Community GIS (pre-req: GEOG 6370)
+PADP 7520		Urban Policy
+PADP 8820		Economic Development

Community Health-suggested course options

+FDNS 6050		Optimal Nutrition for the Life Span
+FDNS 6240		Nutrition and Obesity Across the Life Span
+FDNS/HDFS 6260		Childhood Obesity
+FDNS 6540		Public Health Dietetics
+FDNS 6560		Nutrition, Health and Aging
+FDNS 6000		Food and Nutrition Policy
+FDNS/KINS/ HPAM/HPRB/ ECHD 8595	3	Survey of Obesity and Weight Management
+HDFS 4130/6130		Family Policy
+HDFS 5100		Family Intervention
+HDFS 5150/7150		Family Schools Communities
+SOWK 7236		Community Engagement and Assessment
+SOWK 7133		Community Organizing and Social Action

Inequality, Social Change and Justice-suggested course options

+FHCE 6175s		Women in the Global Economy
+GEOG 6631		Race, Inequality and the American City
+SOC 6150		Criminal Punishment and Society
+SOC 6420		Structured Inequality
+GEOG 6385	3	Community GIS (pre-req: GEOG 6370)
+HDFS 4330		Diversity
+HDFS 5500/7500		Aging and Social Inequality
+SOWK 7340		Global Social Work Policy and Practice
+SOWK 7290		Poverty and Social Work Practice

Sustainable Communities-suggested course options

+HORT 6030S		Sustainable Community Food Production
+FHCE 7305S		Topics in Sustainable Housing
+FANR 6020	3	Sustainable Development
+EDES 6650		City Planning
ANTH 6400		Green Culture: Environment, Sustainability and Environmental Awareness

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TOTAL CREDIT HOURS

+ *must have approval from offering department*

* *could be taken while undergraduate student for Double Dawgs*