

2007-09 Cal Poly Catalog

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[City and Regional Planning Department](#)

CRP–CITY AND REGIONAL PLANNING

CRP 101 Introduction to the Profession of City and Regional Planning (1) (CR/NC)

Introduction to what professional planners do in the public and private sectors and how they help manage growth and change. Credit/No Credit grading only. 1 lecture.

CRP 201 Basic Graphic Skills (4)

Basic techniques used in graphic communication for representation of the real world on two-dimensional planes. Use of scale, drawing conventions, orthographic and isometric projections, perspective drawings. Sketching, delineation and rendering including the use of black and white and color techniques. 4 laboratories.

CRP 202 Urban Design Studio I (4)

Exploring elements and principles of environmental design. Understanding the form and character of the designed urban environment. Introduction to problem analysis and problem solving in environmental design. Implications of design decisions and solutions on urban context.

Assignments of object, project and system scale in an urban context. 4 laboratories. Prerequisite: CRP 201, CRP 211 or consent of instructor. [Changed effective Winter 2009.](#)

CRP 203 Urban Design Studio II (4)

Applications of basic design fundamentals and skills to the design of environments through design exercises applied to planning. Problem analysis and problem solving skills as applied to environmental design issues. 4 laboratories. Prerequisite: CRP 202.

CRP 211 Cities: Form, Culture and Evolution (4)

Historical overview of the evolution of cities – how the form and function of cities evolved among different societies from antiquity to contemporary times. Includes early cities in Mesopotamia, Central America; Greece and Rome; Renaissance, Baroque; and North and South America. 4 lectures.

CRP 212 Introduction to Urban Planning (4)

Understanding the issues of contemporary urban growth and change. Development of theories of urban planning and design. Introduction to zoning, planning regulations and codes, and professional practice. Relationship of environmental design disciplines, citizen groups, and individuals to urban planning. 4 lectures.

CRP 213 Population, Housing and Economic Applications (4)

Collection, organization, and presentation of information and data related to population, housing and employment. Analytical applications to estimate population over time, housing demand by type and income and employment by standard classification. Application of urban economic theory related to jobs and housing. 3 lectures, 1 laboratory. Prerequisite: CRP 212, or consent of instructor. [Changed effective Fall 2008.](#)

CRP 214 Land Use and Transportation Studies (4)

How cities and regions work. Relationship between human activities and patterns of land use and circulation. Spatial analysis and location theories. Methods for conducting studies to describe, analyze, and map land uses. Regional-scale transportation analysis, traffic impact studies, and multimodal transportation plans. 4 lectures. Prerequisite: CRP 212.

CRP 215 Planning for and with Multiple Publics (4) (Also listed as ES 215)

USCP

How the social/spatial relationships among racial/ethnic and gender groups are expressed in terms of human settlement patterns, civic involvement and

everyday negotiations. Ways in which segregation and marginalization are expressed in western and non-western contexts. 4 lectures. Prerequisite: Completion of GE Area D1.

CRP 216 Computer Applications for Planning (2)

Introduction to the use of computer applications for planners. Includes spreadsheets, statistical applications, database, geographic information systems, and graphics. 1 lecture, 1 laboratory.

CRP 240 Additional Planning Laboratory (1–2)

Total credit limited to 4 units, with a maximum of 2 units per quarter. 1 or 2 laboratories.

CRP 310 Community Development and Civic Life (4)

Examination of role of citizen in the planning, design and development of communities. Development of informed, responsible participation in civic life by a diverse citizenry committed to democratic principles. Focus on land use, transportation, and environmental issues. 4 lectures. Prerequisite: Completion of GE Areas A, D1 and D3.

CRP 314 Planning Theory (3)

Theories of planning. Role of planner in society, purpose of planning, administrative framework in which planning takes place. Alternative approaches to planning, values, ethics in planning. 3 lectures. Prerequisite: CRP 212.

CRP 315 Fiscal and Project Feasibility (4) (Also listed as CM 315)

Analysis of the revenue streams and costs involved in project development. Impact analysis of costs and revenues on private and public sectors included. Construction of pro-formas for various project types. 3 lectures, 1 laboratory. Prerequisite: Completion of GE Area D2.

CRP 334 Cities in a Global World (4)

GE D5

Examination of the changes in the social and spatial organization of urban settlements in the twenty-first century caused by the urbanization and globalization processes. Comparative analysis of the traditional and contemporary cities in the Pacific Rim, South America and Eastern Europe. 4 lectures. Prerequisite: Completion of Area A and two courses from D1, D2, D3, D4. City and Regional Planning majors will not receive GE Area D5 credit.

CRP 336 Introduction to Environmental Planning (4)

Theories, institutional frameworks, and technologies used in environmental planning for human settlements. Comparative study of practices at international, national, bioregional and state/local levels. Impact assessment technologies used in impact analysis for plan administration. Application of environmental mitigation to community planning. 4 lectures. Prerequisite: CRP 212.

CRP 338 Digital Cities (4)

GE Area F

Explores changes in urban form and urban experience associated with advances in digital technology. Implications for the design of places and the distribution of economic and social benefit. Lecture-discussions and opportunities to explore technology initiatives in community building. 4 lectures. Prerequisite: Junior standing; completion of Area B.

CRP 341 Community Design Laboratory (4)

Built environment of the suburb. Urban theories and design methods related to suburban development. Technical aspects of subdivision site planning. 4 laboratories. Prerequisite: CRP 203, or consent of instructor.

CRP 342 Environmental Planning Methods (4)

Case studies and applications of theory and methods to regional and environmental systems. Interrelationships between natural, economic, and social and political systems. Application of California Environmental Quality Act and environmental impact assessment methods. Environmental equity and sustainable bioregions. 2 lectures, 2 laboratories. Prerequisite: CRP 336 or consent of instructor.

CRP 375 Technology and the Environment: A Seminar on Contemporary Issues (4) (Also listed as HNRS 375)

Interdisciplinary exploration of significant environmental issues (local, regional, national, or global) where technology is a major cause and/or offers a possible solution. 4 seminars. Prerequisite: Completion of GE

Area A and two courses from Areas D1, D2, D3. Honors Program membership or nomination by CRP department head.

CRP 400 Special Problems for Advanced Undergraduates (1–2) ➔

Individual or group investigation, research, studies, or surveys of selected problems. Total credit limited to 4 units, with a maximum of 2 units per quarter. Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.

CRP 402 Contemporary Urban Design in the Americas (4)

Study of contemporary urban design in North, Central and South America through the detailed examination of major cities and country case studies. Analysis of the cultural, social and political factors influencing the practice of urban design and its major trends in different countries. 4 lectures. Prerequisite: ENGL 134.

➔ **CRP 404 Environmental Law (3) (Also listed as FNR 404)**

Analysis and critique of the law governing use and protection of natural resources with focus on the legal institutions entrusted with the public duty of protecting the environment. 3 lectures. Prerequisite: Senior standing, or graduate standing, or consent of instructor. [Changed effective Fall 2008.](#)

➔ **CRP 408 Water Resource Law and Policy (3) (Also listed as FNR 408)** ➔

Detailed examinations of the various legal systems of water use, regulation and management in California and the United States. Discussion of the key concepts and principles of state, federal and interstate water quantity and quality control; focusing on issues and problems, why conflicts occur and how solutions evolve. 3 lectures. Prerequisite: FNR 302 or instructor approval, senior standing or graduate standing. [Changed effective Fall 2008.](#) ➔

CRP 409 Planning Internship (2–4) (CR/NC)

Work experience as a supervised employee in a planning-related agency or private firm. Prior contract specifying the product of internship required between student, agency and faculty. Thirty hours work experience per unit of credit. Total credit limited to 4 units. Credit/No Credit grading. Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.

➔ **CRP 410, 411 Community Planning Laboratory I, II (5) (5)** ➔

Application of planning theory to the community, its components, and to the city and its region. Relationships of city spaces and structures. Emphasis on developing basic planning studies and plan-making. Field trips. Individual, team, and interdisciplinary approaches utilizing digital methods for analysis and presentation. 5 laboratories. **CRP 410** prerequisite: CRP 336, CRP 341 or consent of instructor. **CRP 411** prerequisite: CRP 342, CRP 410, or consent of instructor. [Changed effective Fall 2008.](#)

CRP 412 Plan Implementation (4)

Theory and practice of plan implementation. Regulation and nonregulatory approaches to plan implementation, including development regulation, economic development, growth management, habitat conservation planning, capital improvement planning, redevelopment programs, and transportation system management. The California Specific Plan will serve as the course model. 4 lectures. Prerequisite: CRP 212 and third-year standing, or consent of instructor. ➔

CRP 420 Land Use Law (4)

Public controls protecting natural environmental systems. Land use and environmental controls. Review of control mechanisms. State and federal legislation. Legal implications of controls, public planning and policy issues. 4 lectures. Prerequisite: senior standing, or consent of instructor.

CRP 427 Local Economic Development Planning (3)

Processes, skills and approaches for planning local economic development. Analysis of theoretical principles and assumptions underlying local economic development programs. Practical applications of alternative strategies and techniques for implementing economic development. 3 seminars. Prerequisite: Senior standing or consent of instructor.

CRP 430 Public Sector Planning Practice (3)

Relationships of planning agencies to other governmental bodies, public agencies and citizen groups. The public planning agency and the private

practitioner. Public and personnel relations. Current topics in public sector planning practice. 3 lectures. Prerequisite: CRP 212.

CRP 435 Transportation Theory (3)

Circulation and transportation elements of the General Plan. Transportation planning theory, methods and tools related to systematic analysis of city and regional transportation problems including environmental impact assessment. Application of techniques for assessing transportation systems, gravity models, route selections, land use models and relationship to transportation. 3 seminars. Prerequisite: CRP 212, senior standing, or graduate standing, or consent of instructor. [Changed effective Fall 2008.](#)

CRP 436 Collaborative Planning (4)

Focus on processes and skills of citizen participation and consensus building. Application of mediation and negotiation techniques. Use of collaboration in forming visions of the future and reaching agreements among multiple interests. Use of group process skills to establish effective communication and agreements. Organizing and operating public meetings. 3 lectures, 1 laboratory. Prerequisite: CRP 212 or graduate standing or consent of instructor.

CRP 438 Pollution Prevention and Control (4)

Interdisciplinary exploration of policy and planning associated with pollution prevention and control, including institutional, legal, economic, political, social, and technology-related aspects. Includes hands-on activity in small groups. 4 lectures. Prerequisite: Senior standing, or graduate standing, or consent of instructor. [Changed effective Spring 2009.](#)

CRP 442 Housing and Planning (3)

Understanding housing issues, policies and programs from a planning perspective. Analysis of the economic underpinnings of land markets and housing markets, housing plans, finance, public programs, affordable housing. 3 seminars. Prerequisite: Upper division standing or graduate standing. [Changed effective Winter 2009.](#)

CRP 444 Infrastructure and Planning Management (4)

Basic infrastructure systems necessary to support urban development. Basic components of systems and how they are planned, financed and managed. 4 seminars. Prerequisite: Senior standing.

CRP 446 Development Review and Entitlement (4)

Application of zoning regulations, subdivision ordinances, design standards, building codes, exactions, fees, and related requirements within the development review process leading to land use entitlement. Land development is evaluated from permit application submittal to condition compliance during the plan check, construction, and operational phases of a project. 4 lectures. Prerequisite: Upper division standing or graduate standing. [Changed effective Winter 2009.](#)

CRP 447 Design Regulations (4) (Also listed as ARCH 447)

Practical application of fundamental zoning, subdivision, design/development standards, and building codes in the design review process, either in the form of a proposed development project or preparation of ordinances, codes, standards, and/or guidelines to apply to a project. 4 lectures. Prerequisite: Fourth year standing, or consent of instructor.

CRP 452 Community Design Methods (4)

Introduction to community design as an interdisciplinary subject. Focus on the active involvement of end-users in the creation and management of built environments. Principles and techniques of participatory design and planning, including charrettes, design games and participatory technologies. Demonstration of participatory techniques through case studies and application. 3 lectures, 1 laboratory. Prerequisite: CRP 201 and CRP 202. [New course effective Winter 2009.](#)

CRP 453 Planning and Design Laboratory (4)

Selected advanced laboratory applications, including urban and regional design. 4 laboratories. Prerequisite: CRP 341, CRP 342.

CRP 457 Planning Information Systems (3)

GIS applications using computer-based systems in gathering and analyzing information pertinent to planning. Development of skills in systematic data acquisition, processing and maintenance with applied planning problems within the convenient medium of GIS and general

information systems. 2 seminars, 1 laboratory. Prerequisite: Upper-division standing and completion of a basic GIS course (FNR 318, GEOG 310, or LA 318), and consent of instructor.

CRP 458 Local Hazard Mitigation Planning and Design (4)

Creation of safer, more resilient cities through systematic application of urban disaster risk reduction and regeneration planning principles and methods. Integration of insights from the design, resource management, and urban administration professions for minimizing disaster losses and improving recovery activities. 4 lectures. Consent of instructor. Prerequisite: GE Areas D2, D3 and F or consent of instructor.

CRP 461, 462 Senior Project I, II (2) (2)

Research and problem analysis in planning. Selection and completion of a project under faculty supervision. Projects typical of problems addressed in planning practice. Project results presented in a formal report. To be completed in two quarters. Minimum 120 hours time. **CRP 461** prerequisite: CRP 341, CRP 342. **CRP 462** corequisite: CRP 410. *Changed effective Fall 2008.*

CRP 463 Senior Project Professional Practice (4)

Practical applications of city and regional planning theory and practice solving problems related to the built environment. Assembly of project documents and reports that meet the senior project requirement. 4 seminars. Prerequisite: CRP 410 and senior standing.

CRP 470 Selected Advanced Topics (1-4)

Directed group study of selected topics for advanced students. Open to undergraduate and graduate students. The Schedule of Classes will list topic selected. Total credit limited to 8 units. 1 to 4 lectures. Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.

CRP 471 Selected Advanced Laboratory (1-4)

Directed group laboratory study of selected topics for advanced students. Open to undergraduate and graduate students. The Schedule of Classes will list topic selected. Total credit limited to 8 units. 1-4 laboratories. Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.

CRP 472 Planning Colloquium (1) (CR/NC)

Lecture and discussion by faculty members and invited guests on controversial or topical planning related subject matter at campus and/or off-campus locations. Topics to be announced in advance by CRP Department. Total credit limited to 3 units. Credit/No Credit grading only. 1 seminar. Prerequisite: Upper division standing.

CRP 483 Special Studies in City and Regional Planning (1-12)

Study of special issues and problems through field research and other forms of investigation and involvement in an off-campus setting. Requirements determined prior to individual project through contractual arrangement between the student and the department. Departmental Off-Campus Study Program guidelines apply. The Schedule of Classes will list topic selected. Prerequisite: Junior standing.

CRP 500 Individual Study (2-3)

Independent research, studies, or surveys of selected subjects. Total credit limited to 9 units. Prerequisite: Graduate standing with minimum of 12 core units.

CRP 501 Foundations of Cities and Planning (4)

Origins and evolutionary stages of settlement patterns and the use of land and natural environment. Changing spatial structure in the development of cities and regions. Beginnings and the historical development of the planning profession. 4 lectures. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

CRP 505 Principles of Regional Planning (4)

History, development and major philosophical approaches of regions and regional planning, both in urban-centered and resource-based regions. Effects of relaxing natural, economic and infrastructure limiting factors on growth and development of regions. Normative hierarchical emphasis of contemporary regional planning compared to emerging paradigms that alter the regional/local planning relationship. 4 seminars. Prerequisite: Graduate standing or consent of instructor.

CRP 510 Planning Theory (4)

Theory of planning. Development of contemporary planning thought from varying sources and perspectives. Political and social context of planning. Alternative professional roles, and planning processes. Values and ethical issues in planning. 4 seminars. Prerequisite: Graduate standing or consent of instructor.

CRP 512 Introduction to Visual Communication and GIS (4) (CR/NC)

Introduction to geographic information systems (GIS) as a tool for analyzing and managing spatial information pertinent to planning. Introduction to various drawing media and delineation techniques for planners, including three-dimensional visualization and graphic skills. Integration of visual and digital media in presentations. Credit/No Credit grading only. 4 laboratories. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

CRP 513 Planning Research Methods (4)

Application of research design to planning issues. Comparison of case study, comparative and problem-solving methods. Primary and secondary data sources, including field survey techniques. 3 seminars and supervised work. Prerequisite: Graduate standing, STAT 221 or equivalent, or consent of instructor.

CRP 514 Computer Applications for M.C.R.P. (2)

Microcomputer applications used by planners. Focus on planners' adaptations of spreadsheets, statistical applications, data base systems, graphic presentation.. 2 laboratories. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

CRP 515 Planning Presentation and Communication Techniques (3)

Basic techniques used in effective planning presentations. Introduction to various drawing media and delineation techniques for planners, three-dimensional visualization, graphic skills. Integration of visual and electronic media in presentations. 3 laboratories. Prerequisite: Graduate standing.

CRP 516 Methods of Data Analysis (4)

Problem recognition, data selection, analysis and synthesis with applications of system design, statistical techniques and symbolic modeling to urban design and regional growth and development policies. 3 seminars, 1 laboratory. Prerequisite: Graduate standing or consent of instructor.

CRP 518 Public Policy Analysis (4)

Analysis of the social, economic, environmental, political contexts of public policy decisions. Public policy issues and use of concepts and tools related to monitoring and assessment. 4 lectures. Prerequisite: CRP 501 or POLS 360 or consent of instructor.

CRP 520 Feasibility Studies in Planning (4)

Fundamental analysis for assessing feasibility of public and private development projects. Principles and techniques for analyzing markets and assessing cash flow for individual projects. Economic, fiscal and tax impacts as factors determining public participation in private projects. 4 seminars. Prerequisite: CRP 501 or consent of instructor.

CRP 525 Plan Implementation (4)

Theory and practice of plan implementation. Regulatory and non-regulatory frameworks for plan implementation. Growth management, development regulation, capital improvement programs, redevelopment. 4 seminars. Prerequisite: Graduate standing or consent of instructor.

CRP 530 Planning Agency Management (3)

Preparation for mid-level and higher positions in public planning agencies and private firms. Applications of organization theory to planning agencies and firms. Work programs, staff development, budgets, contracting, proposal preparation, conflict management. Relationships with other agencies and firms, clients, public and media. 3 seminars. Prerequisite: CRP 501, CRP 510 or consent of instructor.

CRP 535 Land Use and Planning Law (4)

The role of law in the planning and regulation of land use. Constitutional constraints on land use regulation. Legal and policy issues for environmental protection and public administration. Relevant legislation and case law. 4 lectures. Prerequisite: Graduate standing, or consent of instructor.

CRP 545 Principles of Environmental Planning (4)

Environmental planning as a field of inquiry and action. Review and application of policies and techniques used in environmental planning, especially within the land use planning context. Application of California Environmental Quality Act and environmental impact assessment methods. 3 seminars, 1 laboratory. Prerequisite: Graduate standing or consent of instructor.

CRP 548 Principles of Urban Development and Design (4)

Introduction to the philosophy and theory particular to urban development and design. Exploration of evaluation criteria and critical analysis of the human environment related to physical design requirements. Spatial and form relationships, scale, human activities, concept formation, visual organization of the city, landscaping and architecture. 4 seminars. Prerequisite: Graduate standing or consent of instructor.

CRP 552 Community and Regional Planning Studio I (4)

Application of planning theory and methods to community and regional planning projects. Structured for research, analysis, synthesis, and implementation practice. Interrelationships of natural and built environments, transportation systems, and economic and social conditions at various planning scales. Includes field trips and individual, team and interdisciplinary approaches. 2 seminars, 2 laboratories. Prerequisite: CRP 501, CRP 525, or consent of instructor.

CRP 553 Project Planning Laboratory (4)

Project-scale planning problems. Arranging structures, circulation systems, utilities and plant material on natural and urban sites to support human activity while minimizing disruption to natural systems. Includes planned unit developments, waterfronts, hillsides, campuses and commercial centers. Field trips. 2 lectures, 2 laboratories. Prerequisite: CRP 512 or consent of instructor.

CRP 554 Community and Regional Planning Studio II (4)

Application of planning theory and methods to community and regional planning projects. Structured for research, analysis, synthesis, and implementation practice. Interrelationships of natural and built environments, transportation systems, and economic and social conditions at various planning scales. Includes field trips, and individual, team and interdisciplinary approaches. 2 seminars, 2 laboratories. Prerequisite: CRP 552.

CRP 556 Community and Regional Planning Studio III (4)

Application of planning theory and methods to community and regional planning projects. Individual faculty-assigned laboratory work leading to the completion of a professional quality project focused on a real-world planning task. Structured for research, analysis, synthesis and implementation practice. 3 seminars and supervised work. Prerequisite: CRP 554, or consent of instructor.

CRP 570 Selected Topics in Planning (4)

Directed group study of selected planning topics. Total credit limited to 12 units. 4 seminars. Prerequisite: Graduate standing or consent of instructor.

CRP 596 Professional Project (2-4)

Individual research under the supervision of the faculty, leading to completion of a professional project based on a real world planning task or carefully constructed simulation. Must be taken in all quarters requiring supervision; minimum of 6 units required for degree. Total credit limited to 8 units. Prerequisite: CRP 513, and consent of the graduate program coordinator.

CRP 597 Policy, Planning and Management (4)

This course provides a synthesis of the MCRP program. Expansion and integration of material on planning principles, practice, theory and quantitative methods. 4 seminars. Prerequisite: CRP 409, CRP 510, CRP 516, CRP 518, CRP 525, CRP 530, CRP 535, CRP 552 and CRP 554.

CRP 599 Thesis (2-4)

Individual research under the general supervision of the faculty, leading to a graduate thesis. Must be taken in all quarters requiring supervision; minimum of 6 units required for degree. Total credit limited to 8 units. Prerequisite: CRP 513, and consent of the graduate program coordinator.