

Master of Architecture in Urban Design
Master of Landscape Architecture in Urban Design
Distributional Electives
2026-2027

MAUD/MLAUD degree candidates must take twelve units from the courses below to inform the design of holistic and responsive urban environments that address contemporary challenges and aspirations. One course must come from the Models of Development list, one must come from the Urban Systems and Forms list, and the third can be from either list. **If a course is on both lists, it may be used for either requirement but may not be counted more than once.**

Courses in **Models of Development** delve into the strategic methods and theories that underpin urban transformation, engaging a range of historical contexts, societal influences, and procedural frameworks. They equip students with essential insights into the imaginative and formative processes shaping urban environments.

Courses in **Urban Systems and Forms** deliver essential analytical and practical tools for urban design. From spatial analysis and environmental considerations to housing dynamics, transportation networks, cultural competencies, technological advances, policy and governance, and economic forces, students gain a comprehensive understanding of the functioning and evolution of cities.

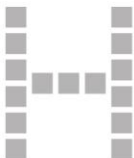
FALL 2026:

MODELS OF DEVELOPMENT

COURSE #	COURSE TITLE	UNITS	TYPE	FACULTY
3241	History, Theory, Culture III: Theories of Landscape as Urbanism	4	Lecture	Waldheim
4384	Building and Urban Conservation and Renewal – Assessment, Analysis, and Design	4	Lecture	Fixler
4488	Making the American City: Form and Society	4	Seminar	Von Hoffman
4518	De-Centering the Canon: Architecture and Urbanism	4	Lecture	Mehrotra
5207	Land Use and Environmental Law	4	Lecture	Davidson
5257	Real Estate Development (Module 2)	2	Lecture	Hamilton, Wu
5486	The Gentrification Debates: Perceptions and Realities of Neighborhood Change	4	Lecture	Griffin
5490	Affordable Housing and Community Development (Module 1)	2	Lecture	Curtis
5514	At Home and Abroad: Housing in Comparative Perspective	4	Seminar	Maaoui
5531	Building Beyond Capitalism: Community Ownership as Counterproject	4	Seminar	Griffin, Iyengar

URBAN SYSTEMS AND FORMS

COURSE #	COURSE TITLE	UNITS	TYPE	FACULTY
2128	Spatial Analysis (Module 1)	2	Lecture	Voulgaris
3348	The Idea of Environment	4	Lecture	Spinak
3508	Housing Matters	4	Seminar	Moussavi



3534	Ephemeral Infrastructure	4	Seminar	Mehrotra
4374	Cities, Infrastructure, and Politics: From Renaissance to Smart and Sustainable Technologies	4	Lecture	Picon
5249	Design for Real Estate	4	Lecture	Love
5258	Urban Economics I (Module 1)	2	Lecture	Kelly
5259	Urban Economics II (Module 2)	2	Lecture	Kelly
5386	Urban Ethnographies	4	Seminar	Herzfeld
5443	The (New) Image of the City	4	Seminar	Yuen
5452	Return On Engagement: Stakeholder-Driven Real Estate To Expand Financial and Community Equity (Module 1)	2	Lecture	Fleissig
5511	Public Transit	4	Lecture	Voulgaris
5516	(Re)Envisioning Social Housing in the US	4	Seminar	Herbert
5522	ReBuild: Case Studies in Transformational Urban Redevelopment	4	Lecture	Cox
5527	Shaping Chinese Megacity Regions: Design, Policy, and Planning	4	Lecture	Hou
6244	Climate by Design	4	Lecture	Whitesides

SPRING 2027:

MODELS OF DEVELOPMENT

COURSE #	COURSE TITLE	UNITS	TYPE	FACULTY
4XXX	History and Theory of Preservation	4	Lecture	Page
4530	Transition as Condition: Urban Form and Environment	4	Seminar	Blau
5103	Public and Private Development	4	Lecture	Weber, Kiefer
5292	Introduction to Real Estate Finance, Development, and Management	4	Lecture	Holtermans
5502	Urban Governance and the Politics of Planning in the Global South	4	Lecture	Silva

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COURSE #	COURSE TITLE	UNITS	TYPE	FACULTY
3352	Type and the Idea of the City: Architecture's Search for what is Common	4	Seminar	Lee
4374	Cities, Infrastructure, and Politics: From Renaissance to Smart Technologies	4	Lecture	Picon
5326	Housing and Urbanization in the United States	4	Lecture	Stockard, Molinsky
5381	Urban Design and the Color-Line	4	Seminar	Gray
6509	Mapping the Region: Cartographic Methods for Place-Based Spatial Theory	4	Seminar	Page, Kelly

