

URBANIZATION (MINOR)

Program Description

The Urbanization minor takes advantage of the setting in Abu Dhabi, a rapidly growing city which is making major investments in infrastructure, public transportation, and environmental sustainability, and drawing international attention as a model of advanced urban planning. Through course work, internships, and research projects, this program gives students first-hand exposure to the complex issues associated with urbanization.

At the start of the 20th century, only one person out of every ten lived in a city. Today, half the world population is urbanized. The United Nations projections suggest that more than 70 percent of the human population will reside in cities by 2050, with the largest increases expected in the developing world.

The multidisciplinary minor in Urbanization focuses on this process—the forces that drive it, the cities it creates, and their impacts on well-being and social interactions. Encompassing the social, economic, political, and physical dimensions of urbanization, the minor provides students with a cross-disciplinary set of perspectives for understanding the urbanization process, across cultures, countries, and time.

The minor is inherently global in nature, with a particular concern for the role of urbanization in the developing world, the multicultural nature of much of current urbanization, and the intersection of this process with the environment and associated issues.

Students who elect to take this multidisciplinary minor take four approved courses for the Urbanization minor, listed below. Students should develop their program in close consultation with their mentor.

Program Requirements

Course	Title	Credits
Minor Requirements		
Select four 4-credit Urbanization courses from the list below		16
Total Credits		16

Urbanization Courses

Code	Title	Credits
ARTH-UH 2721	Art and Architecture: Reinventing the City	4
CDAD-UH 1016EQ	Where the City Meets the Sea: Studies in Coastal Urban Environments	4
CDAD-UH 1064	Sustainable Supply Chains	4
CSTS-UH 1053	Understanding Urbanization	4
CSTS-UH 1067	Moving Target	4
ENGR-UH 3413	Transportation and Traffic Engineering	4
SRPP-UH 2416X	Gulf Urban Societies	4

Policies

NYU Policies

University-wide policies can be found on the New York University Policy pages (<https://bulletins.nyu.edu/nyu/policies/>).

NYU Abu Dhabi Policies

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