**The American University of Central Asia (AUCA)**

**Urban Planning and Design Concentration**

**Approved by the Liberal Arts**

**and Sciences department**

**November 29, 2024**

**Minor Requirements**

* The Minor in LAS UPD is designed for any AUCA student who wants to learn how cities work, how to appreciate their planning and design, and how to make them better.
* To apply for a Minor, students must have a minimum GPA of 2.7. To receive a Minor, students must submit a brief application letter requesting consideration for the Minor.
* The application must then be approved by the Coordinator of the UPD program, and the Chair of the LAS Department before the student's final semester.
* To earn the Minor degree in UPD, students must earn a total of 42 credits.
* To be awarded a Minor, students must get a grade of at least B in the required courses.

1. **Required Courses for Minor - Total 18 credits**

| **Course Name** | **Course abbr.** | **Course ID** | **Credits** |  |
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| Introduction to Urban and Regional Development | ANTH/ SOC 326 | 5120 | 6 |  |
| Urban Design | LAS\ EUS 301 | 5288 | 6 |  |
| Integrated Urban Management for Public Space Design | LAS/UPD302 | 4363 | 6 |  |

1. **Elective Courses for Minor - Total 24 credits**

*The list of elective courses may vary each semester. Please consult the coordinator of the Urban Planning and Concentration*

| **Course Name** | **Course abbr.** | **Course ID** | **Credits** |  |
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| Sketching and Rendering for Urban Planners | **LAS/UPD200** | **5797** | **6** |  |
| GIS for Liberal Arts/GIS Application in Environmental Management | **LAS - 201/ (ENV200)** | **5531** | **6** |  |
| Urban Psychology | **PSY/LAS/265** | **5102** | **6** |  |
| Urban Sociology | **SOC 343.2** | **3782** | **6** |  |
| The Practice of Urban and Landscape Design | **LAS/UPD300** |  | **6** |  |
| What is architecture and What architecture is | **LAS/ ANTH 100** | **5133** | **6** |  |
| Advanced Tools of Planners and Designers | **LAS/ UPD 400** | **5383** | **6** |  |
| Sustainable Energy for Cities | **LAS/EUS-200** | **4976** | **6** |  |
| Green Spaces in Urban Development | **ENV/ NTR 210** | **4591** | **6** |  |
| History of Central Asian Cities/OSUN Thinking About Cities: Thinking About Scale | **LAS/ UPD 202** | **5382** | **6** |  |
| Architectural Sketching and Rendering | **LAS/UPD 201** | **6041** | **6** |  |
| Hands on Urban Design Practice | **LAS/UPD 301** | **6040** | **6** |  |
| Earth Observations in Monitoring Sustainable Development Goals | **OSUN Course** |  | **4** |  |
| Applied Research in Sustainability | **ANTH-387** | **5802** | **6** |  |