

# Master of Science in Sustainable Agriculture Master of Community & Regional Planning

## Double Degree Program

The total number of credits necessary to receive double degrees in Sustainable Agriculture (MS) and Community and Regional Planning (MCRP) is 63: 27 credits in the SUSAG program and 36 credits in the CRP program. The specific course requirements are identified below.

### SUSAG MS Core Requirements

### MCRP Core Requirements

STAT 587 Statistical Methods (4)  
 SUSAG 509 Agroecosystems Analysis (4)  
 SUSAG 610 Foundations of Sustainable Ag (3)  
 SUSAG 600 Sustainable Ag Colloquium (4)  
 Thematic area courses (excluding CRP credits) (6)  
 Free electives (excluding CRP credits) (6)

CRP 563 Planning the American Metropolis (3)  
 CRP 564 Intro to Analytical Methods for Planning (3)  
 CRP 561 Planning Theory for Practice (3)  
 CRP 568 Planning and Development (3)  
 CRP 566 Policy Analysis and Planning (3)  
 CRP 592 Land Use & Development Regulation Law (3)  
 CRP 532 Community Planning Studio I (6)  
 CRP elective (6)  
 CRP 699 Thesis Research (6)

**SUSAG core total = 27 credits**

**MCRP core total = 36 credits**

**TOTAL = 63 credits**

For double degrees, the final project, in this case a thesis, must integrate subject areas from both fields, and the program of study (POS) committee must contain faculty from both programs. Specifically, the POS committee may include co-chairs, each of whom represents one of the programs, or a single chair, who is a member of the graduate faculty of both programs.

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Ideally, a graduate student ought to complete the dual degree program within a 2½ year cycle of enrollment. As a result, the following schedule is suggested as a means of accomplishing this double degree program.

Fall 1<sup>st</sup> year

CRP 564	Introduction to Analytical Methods for Planning	3 credits
CRP 563	Planning the American Metropolis	3 credits
SUSAG 509	Agroecosystems Analysis (509 begins in August before the fall term begins)	4 credits
SUSAG 600	Sustainable Agriculture Colloquium	1 credits
SUSAG 610	Foundations of Sustainable Agriculture	3 credits
		<hr/> 14 credits

Spring 1<sup>st</sup> year

CRP 561	Planning Theory for Practice	3 credits
CRP 568	Planning and Development	3 credits
STAT 587	Statistical Methods for Research	4 credits
SUSAG 600	Sustainable Agriculture Colloquium	1 credit
	Elective or Thematic Area course	3 credits
		<hr/> 14 credits

Fall 2<sup>nd</sup> year

CRP 592	Land Use and Development Regulation Law	3 credits
CRP 566	Policy Analysis and Planning	3 credits
SUSAG 600	Sustainable Agriculture Colloquium	1 credits
	Elective or Thematic Area course	3 credits
		<hr/> 10 credits

Spring 2<sup>nd</sup> year

SUSAG 600	Sustainable Agriculture Colloquium	1 credits
	Elective or Thematic Area courses	12 credits
		<hr/> 13 credits

Fall 3<sup>rd</sup> year

CRP 532	Community Planning Studio 1	6 credits
CRP 699	Thesis Research	6 credits
		<hr/> 12 credits

**Program total = 63 credits**