

# Urban Affairs

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## Interdisciplinary Minor

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Urban Affairs provides a broad, interdisciplinary examination of the development, functions, and problems of metropolitan areas. Urban Affairs focuses on the social, health, and spatial characteristics of neighborhoods and cities. It highlights the application of social science principles in the study of how formal and informal forces influence urban people and neighborhoods. The minor crosses the disciplines of Urban Studies, Criminal Justice, Social Work, Sociology, Political Science/Public Administration, Public Health, Anthropology, History, Geography, and others. It prepares students to work in a variety of social service and technical areas in public and private organizations in metropolitan areas.

Requirements	Hours
Select 18 hours from courses below: <sup>1</sup>	18
CJ 463 Urban Structures	
CJ 307 Crime and Everyday Life	
CJ 464 Crime and Place	
CJ 466 Spatial Analysis	
DCS 250 Community and Service	
EC 413 Urban Economics	
GEO 109 Intro to Urban Geography	
HY 226 History and Development of Birmingham	
HY 280 Historic Preservation and Public Policy	
SOC 275 Urban Sociology	
SOC 250 Sociology of Race and Ethnicity	
SW 452 Birmingham Neighborhood Studies	

<sup>1</sup> A grade of C or better is required in all coursework applied toward the minor.