

COLLEGE OF URBAN PLANNING AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS

MASTER OF CITY DESIGN

WHY UIC?

Earn a degree at one of the most diverse universities in the nation in the third largest city in the United States. Chicago is a cultural, sporting, business, and educational hub; ensuring that no matter what the chosen path of study, by being in Chicago, there will be opportunities that wouldn't be possible anywhere else.

WHY AN MCD?

The Master of City Design (MCD) program is offered by the Department of Urban Planning and Policy (UPP). UPP's mission is to conduct radical and engaged scholarship that contributes to promoting just, resilient, and livable neighborhoods, cities, and urban regions. An intensive degree program with a studio-based curriculum, students who pursue a MCD can expect to approach City Design holistically, taking into account every aspect of socio- and ecological impact. This program promotes just cities in hopes of helping to promote a better world.

STUDIO-BASED LEARNING

The MCD program is designed with immersive learning built in via hands-on and field-based studios. Students will have the opportunity to face present-day issues facing communities in the city of Chicago.

ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Required:

- ✓ Resume
- ✓ Personal Statement
- ✓ Recommendation Letters
- ✓ TOEFL or IELTS
- ✓ Applicants must submit a portfolio as part of the MCD application. Please contact PIP for information on portfolio submission.

Other Financial Considerations:

Graduate Application Fee: \$80
Credential Evaluation Fee: \$100
Both fees due at time of application

BY THE NUMBERS



3.0

Required GPA



3

Semesters: (Fall, Spring, Summer)



36

Minimum Credit Hours



8+

Credit hours per semester in studio



36

Months OPT eligibility

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