



MS-URDE | 2023-2024

Specialized Master in transition urbanism and regional planning

Programme mnemonic MS-URDE

Studies level Advanced master

Learning language english

Schedule office hours

Studies category / subcategory

Sciences and technics / Architecture and urban planning

Campus Flagey and Solbosch

Programme objectives

This Advanced Master aims at training highly qualified professional and researcher to become cutting edge planner and urbanist. The need for such profile is not covered by any existing master at ULB, the Master in Urban Studies (VUB-ULB) and the master in urban management of ULB in Chalreroi. On the contrary, there is a strong need for such a programme to deepen the urbanism and research by design skills of master graduates with an initial training in architecture (MA Architecture, MA landscape architecture, MSc Architectural Engineering). The current proposal is an attempt to deliver collaboratively a revised and upgraded Advanced Master in Transition Urbanism.

Programme's added value

- > Planning an design strategies as a cornerstone with particular focus on linking research by design for strategic spatial planning with public policy
- Focus on sustainability and transition climate and economic change, territorial ecosystem & urban metabolism, landscape ecology & public space, sustainable transport & urban mobility, transition planning & territorial development, etc.)

- Strong research by design orientation value of the programme as fertile grounds for prospective and research by design PhDs
- > Internship : compulsory internship (research lab or professional office)
- > Language of instruction: French and English. This choice has been made to simultaneously cover the local needs for highly trained people in urbanism and increase the international attractiveness of the programme using Brussels, European Capital, as an asset.

Teaching methods

The programme will use a mix of different education methods : planning and design training in the studio, lectures seminars and individual work in the core module.

International/Openness

In the framework of this programme, students wille have the opportunity to realize an erasmus placement internship in a urbanism agency or research center. International collaborations with parnters universities will be organize in the design studio. Students will be offer the opportunity to take part in international masterclasses.

Job opportunities

Urbanist, urban designer, town planner, researcher - independant practice or public servant

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Jury Secretary Philippe LECOCQ



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This curriculum consists of cutting-edge new theoretical, studio and seminar course tailored specifically for this master by high level academic and professional in the field of urbanism. It consist of a 20 ECTS theoretical core module (in English), a 16 ECTS project module with two options (english and French), a 16 ECTS master thesis and a 8 ECTS internship.

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Compulsory Courses

MEMO-P9004	Mémoire de fin d'études Geoffrey Grulois (Coordinator) ① 16 credits [lecture: 12h, mfe/tfe: 480h] 🗂 first and second terms 🔎 English/French
STAG-P9005	Stage Geoffrey Grulois (Coordinator) ③ 8 credits [work placement: 240h] ⁽¹⁾ second term ⁽²⁾ English/French
URBA-H500	Infrastructure and Mobility Philippe BOUILLARD (Coordinator) ⊙ 5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 12h, field trips: 30h, personal assignments: 30h] 🛗 second term 📿 English
URBA-H501	O 2 credits [lecture: 24h, field trips: 12h] ⁽¹⁾ second term ⁽²⁾ English
URBA-H9009	O 5 credits [lecture: 24h, tutorial classes: 24h, personal assignments: 30h]
URBA-P9001	Global Urban Agendas Luisa MORETTO (Coordinator), Catalina Dobre and Giuseppe FALDI ③ 3 credits [lecture: 8h, tutorial classes: 12h, personal assignments: 30h] — first term — O English
URBA-P9003	O 2 credits [lecture: 12h, practical work: 12h] 🛗 first term 📿 English/French
URBA-P9008	Pratique contemporaine de l'urbanisme et du projet de paysage Geoffrey Grulois (Coordinator) ⊙ 3 credits [lecture: 36h]
URBA-P9009	Socio-technical controversies in transition : research methodologies Geoffrey Grulois (Coordinator) and Claire Pelgrims ② 2 credits [lecture: 8h, practical work: 24h, seminars: 4h] 🛗 second term 📿 English/French
URBA-P9010	O 2 credits [practical work: 24h] [™] first term

Cours optionnels

L'UE URBA-P9011 « Outils de représentation et de conception en urbanisme » vous est proposée hors-cursus. Cette UE sera organisée avant le démarrage du Master de spécialisation et permettra aux étudiants qui le souhaitent de se

mettre à niveau et d'avoir le bagage nécessaire pour mener à bien la formation dans de meilleures conditions.

Choisir une option

An alternative chosen from the two following

Option 1

URBA-P9006 (optional)	Atelier urbanisme - Bruxelles Geoffrey Grulois (Coordinator) and Yves ROUYET ② 10 credits [project: 144h] ⁽¹⁾ first term ⁽²⁾ French
URBA-P9007 (optional)	Description et projet du territoire Géry LELOUTRE (Coordinator) 2 credits [lecture: 12h, personal assignments: 20h] first term



Option 2

ARCH-H400 (optional)

ARCH-H502 (optional)

or

Sustainable urban Design Studio Ahmed Zaib KHAN MAHSUD (Coordinator) and Hera Van Sande ② 8 credits [workshop: 480h] 🛗 first term 🔎 English