

# 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

STAT 5870 Statistical Methods (4)  
 SUSAG 5090 Agroecosystems Analysis (4)  
 SUSAG 6100 Foundations of Sustainable Ag (3)  
 SUSAG 6000 Sustainable Ag Colloquium (4)  
 Thematic area courses (excluding CRP credits) (6)  
 Free electives (excluding CRP credits) (6)

**SUSAG core total = 27 credits**

### MCRP Core Requirements

CRP 5630 Planning the American Metropolis (3)  
 CRP 5640 Intro to Analytical Methods for Planning (3)  
 CRP 5610 Planning Theory for Practice (3)  
 CRP 5680 Planning and Development (3)  
 CRP 5660 Policy Analysis and Planning (3)  
 CRP 5920 Land Use & Dev Regulation Law (3)  
 CRP 5320 Community Planning Studio I (6)  
 CRP elective (6)  
 CRP 6990 Thesis Research (6)

**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 5640	Introduction to Analytical Methods for Planning	3 credits
CRP 5630	Planning the American Metropolis	3 credits
SUSAG 5090	Agroecosystems Analysis <offered odd years> (509 begins in August before the fall term begins)	4 credits
SUSAG6000	Sustainable Agriculture Colloquium	1 credits
SUSAG 6100	Foundations of Sustainable Agriculture	3 credits
		<hr/> 14 credits

Spring 1<sup>st</sup> year

CRP 5610	Planning Theory for Practice	3 credits
CRP 5680	Planning and Development	3 credits
STAT 5870	Statistical Methods for Research	4 credits
SUSAG 6000	Sustainable Agriculture Colloquium	1 credit
	Elective or Thematic Area course	3 credits
		<hr/> 14 credits

Fall 2<sup>nd</sup> year

CRP 5920	Land Use and Development Regulation Law	3 credits
CRP 5660	Policy Analysis and Planning	3 credits
SUSAG 6000	Sustainable Agriculture Colloquium	1 credits
	Elective or Thematic Area course	3 credits
		<hr/> 10 credits

Spring 2<sup>nd</sup> year

SUSAG 6000	Sustainable Agriculture Colloquium	1 credits
	Elective or Thematic Area courses	12 credits
		<hr/> 13 credits

Fall 3<sup>rd</sup> year

CRP 5320	Community Planning Studio 1	6 credits
CRP 6990	Thesis Research	6 credits
		<hr/> 12 credits

**Program total = 63 credits**