

# Graduate Certificate: Sustainable Community Planning

TYLER SCHOOL OF ART AND ARCHITECTURE

## About the Certificate

The graduate certificate in Sustainable Community Planning is available to non-matriculated students and students in other Temple University graduate programs, with the approval of their graduate advisor. The courses introduce students to the broad range of issues and topics relevant to planning for the sustainable development of our cities and regions. Elective courses provide the opportunity to deepen knowledge and training in specific areas of sustainability and environmental planning. Undertaking the graduate certificate in Sustainable Community Planning allows students to:

- understand the discourse of theory and practice of sustainable development at the local, regional, and global levels;
- develop indicators to monitor and evaluate the sustainability of site, community, and regional actions, plans, and designs;
- recognize models of sustainability and know how to use such models to inform their professional practice; and
- understand how to incorporate sustainability principles into planning practice to address the interrelationships between social, economic, and environmental factors.

This certificate meets the needs of public and private sector employees who work to improve the sustainability of neighborhoods, cities and regions and to address the adverse impacts of climate change without academic degrees in planning.

**Campus Location:** Main and Center City

**Full-Time/Part-Time Status:** The graduate certificate can be completed on a part-time basis. NOTE: International students may not be eligible to apply for a student visa based on admission to the certificate program. Please contact Tyler School of Art and Architecture's admissions advisor for more information.

**Non-Matriculated Student Policy:** To register for certificate courses as a non-matriculated student, please visit Tyler School of Art and Architecture's Non-Matriculating Students webpage found at <https://tyler.temple.edu/non-matriculating-students>.

## Admission Requirements and Deadlines

**Bachelor's Degree in Discipline/Related Discipline:** All applicants must present credentials that are the equivalent of the appropriate baccalaureate degree at Temple University.

## Certificate Requirements

*Number of Credits Required to Complete the Certificate:* 12<sup>1</sup>, plus a prerequisite course in Environmental Planning<sup>2</sup>

*Required Courses:*

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Core Courses</b>		
CTRP 5256	Sustainable Community Design and Development	3
CTRP 8276	Regional Development	3
<b>Electives</b>		
Select two of the following: <sup>3</sup>		6
CTRP 8155	Ecological Planning and Development	
CTRP 8156	Neighborhoods, Cities, and Regions	
CTRP 8255	Sustainability in Suburban Communities	
CTRP 8257	Environmental Policy	
CTRP 8266	Sustainable Business Practices	
CTRP 8355	Environmental Infrastructure Planning and Management	
CTRP 8476	Collaborative Planning	
CTRP 8755	Introduction to Emergency Management Planning	

**Total Credit Hours**

**12**

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1 Students matriculated in the M.S. in City and Regional Planning program may elect to take the certificate courses as a transcribed concentration within the M.S. degree. Other graduate students matriculated at Temple University may take certificate classes as electives for their program with the approval of their program advisor.

2 The prerequisite in Environmental Planning may be taken concurrently with the required courses for the certificate. Students complete this prerequisite by taking CTRP 2213 Environmental Planning (3 s.h.) or CTRP 8213 Environmental Planning (3 s.h.); by demonstrating that comparable undergraduate or graduate coursework has already been completed; or through self-study that achieves the stated course competencies of CTRP 2213 or CTRP 8213.

3 Students may substitute for an elective a relevant 3-credit CTRP graduate course selected in consultation with a department advisor or chair.

**GPA Required to be Awarded the Certificate:** 3.0 minimum

## **Contacts**

### **Certificate Program Web Address:**

<https://tyler.temple.edu/programs/planning-community-development/degree>

### **Department Information:**

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