

## ABOUT THE COLLEGE

The Maxine Goodman Levin College at Cleveland State University is one of the top ten urban affairs schools in the nation. The College is ranked second in the graduate specialty of city management and urban policy in *U.S. News and World Report's* 1998, 2002 and 2005 issues of "America's Best Graduate Schools."

The College offers thirteen degree programs that equip students with the technical and management skills needed to launch careers in fields such as public management, planning, public safety, historic preservation, environmental studies, economic development, and housing.

## ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY

Cleveland State University is a comprehensive metropolitan university committed to providing an education of high quality to students with diverse backgrounds, experiences, interests, and needs. The downtown campus offers degrees in 117 undergraduate and graduate programs that include arts and sciences, business administration, engineering, education, law, and urban affairs and provides professional certificate and continuing education programs. More than 16,000 students attend Cleveland State.

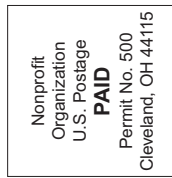
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## Master of Urban Planning Design and Development



## THE MUPDD PROGRAM MISSION

The Master of Urban Planning Design and Development (MUPDD) Program of the Maxine Goodman Levin College of Urban Affairs at Cleveland State University is committed to educating students to become thoughtful urban planning generalists, with distinctive technical competence in an area of practice, who can positively affect urban and regional conditions and the well being of individuals leading to sustainable, livable communities.

The role of planning as a profession is to bring knowledge to action in public decision making processes. Planners help communities define the future vision of their community, suggest strategies and plans for directing change, and develop actions through which these plans are implemented. Planners work with community leaders in a variety of organizational settings and responsibilities and in partnership with allied professions, such as architecture, civil and environmental engineering, urban design, and public administration. Planning may range from long range comprehensive plan development to zoning and regulation of the land development process.

Planning is a dynamic field, often at the cutting edge of urban issues. Planners often face unique and challenging dilemmas in carrying out their jobs. These may include conflicts of interest, defending the interests of those unable to participate in the public process, equitable allocation of financial resources, and conservation of natural resources or cultural heritage. These factors combine to make planning one of the most interesting fields of study and practice, with the added bonus to help improve the quality of life and to enhance the public good.

*Courses in the MUPDD program are designed to train new planners in the latest theories and techniques, and to upgrade the skills of existing planners. The program is structured to accommodate both full-time and part-time students. Most of the required classes are offered in the evenings, with some courses offered during summer sessions and weekends.*

## COURSE OF STUDY

The Master of Urban Planning, Design, and Development program is fully accredited by the Planning Accreditation Board, a national body of planning schools and professional planning organizations. The normal course of study for a MUPDD degree in the Levin College of Urban Affairs is 12 (four credit) classes, for a total of 48 graduate credits. Full-time students can complete the course of study within two years. However, many part-time students take one or two classes per semester, and proceed at their own pace. Levin College offers year-round admissions to the program.

Eight courses are required in the planning core. This core covers introduction to urban planning, application and practice of statistics and economics, urban spatial structure, urban design, law, and the real estate and development process culminating in a comprehensive planning studio.

For the remaining four courses, students may complete one of five specializations:

- Housing and Neighborhood Development
- Economic Development
- Urban Real Estate Finance and Development
- Urban Geographic Information Systems (GIS)
- Environmental Sustainability

The specializations, or their related graduate certificate programs, give students an essential skill set which can be readily marketed to prospective employers.



Professor Norman Krumholz and Adam Freck ('06 MUPDD) 2006 winner of the Wallace G. Teare Prize.

## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The MUPDD Degree program at the Levin College offers advanced training to individuals interested in careers in government, nonprofit and for-profit organizations. Graduates of the MUPDD program pursue careers in:

- Housing and neighborhood development
- City and regional planning
- Real estate
- Economic and community development

## ADMISSIONS

Application materials are available on-line at <http://www.csuohio.edu/gradcollege/>

A complete application consists of:

- CSU graduate application
- Application fee
- Official transcripts from all undergraduate and graduate programs in which the student has been enrolled
- Two letters of recommendation
- GRE Scores—General Section only

All application materials should be sent to:  
Graduate Admissions Office  
Cleveland State University  
Rhodes Tower West, Room 204 (Campus Box G)  
2121 Euclid Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44115-2214

### DUAL DEGREE PROGRAM

Cleveland State University's Maxine Goodman Levin College of Urban Affairs and Cleveland-Marshall College of Law offer a dual degree MUPDD/JD program.

Further information is available at the following websites:  
<http://urban.csuohio.edu> —OR— [www.law.csuohio.edu](http://www.law.csuohio.edu)

## FINANCIAL AID

Cleveland State University has financial assistance programs covering all of the major Federal and State grants and loans. The mission of CSU is to help meet the direct educational costs for a large number of the student population. Levin College provides scholarships, fellowships, endowed internship funds, graduate assistant positions, and paid internships to qualified students as available.

For more information on financial aid contact the Levin College at (216) 687-3884, or the CSU Office of Student Financial Assistance at (216) 687-3765.

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