

Public Information

The Planning Accreditation Board requires this information be posted for the UMKC BA in Urban Planning + Design program.

Student Achievement

In most years, students in the Urban Planning + Design program compete for paid internships in the public, private and non-profit sector during the summer before their final year of studio. In academic year 2021 (June 2020-May 2021) internships were hard to come by as public agencies, non-profit organizations, and firms faced uncertainty caused by the COVID pandemic. UMKC's Center for Neighborhoods (CfN) stepped up to provide **paid** internships for urban planning students. Urban Planning + Design internship placements included several grant funded projects with community-based organizations addressed local needs. Many of these projects required remote work, and adoption of digital community engagement techniques. These placements included the following:

1. Work with the Kansas City Museum preparing graphics and histories of the neighborhoods surrounding the site of the Kansas City Museum. This work was supported by a grant from the Kansas City Museum.
2. Work with the Marlborough Community Coalition on vacant properties as well on education and organizing around Kansas City's Health Homes initiative.
3. Work on the Quality of Life Improvement District addressing racial equity in the Kansas City, MO Parks System. This work was supported by a grant from the KC MO Parks Department.
4. Work on the Small Apartment Structure Housing Survey addressing existing units in the missing middle housing types on the east side of Kansas City. This work was supported by a grant from the Kansas City MO Neighborhood and Housing Division.
5. Other internships through CfN were supported by grants from the Missouri Department of Conservation and Kansas City's Metropolitan Planning Organization – the Mid America Regional Council.

We ask supervisors to evaluate the work of students completing internships. In this past year, 89% of our students were highly rated in terms of the following work criteria: accuracy, thoroughness, speed of getting tasks done, use of time, and resourcefulness. These ratings speak to our high rate of graduate placement in urban planning and design related jobs after graduation.

2021-2022 Tuition and Fees

In State Residents, per full-time academic year	\$11,859
Kansas Rate, per full-time academic year	\$12,039
Heartland Rate*, per full-time academic year * for students residing in ND, SD, NE, IA, TX, OK, AR, TN, KY, OH, IN, IL, MI, WI, and MN)	\$16,812
Out of State Residents, per full-time academic year	\$28,773

Student Retention Rate*

Percentage of students who began studies in fall 2020 and continued into fall 2021	100%
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Students who entered UPD 310 studio who were retained in UPD 410 studio

Student Graduation Rate*

Percentage of students graduating within 6 years, entering class of 2015 (for accredited undergrad)	100%
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*students who have declared Urban Planning + Design as their major by the Fall of their Junior Year.

Number of Degrees Awarded

Number of degrees awarded for 2020-2021 Academic Year	10
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AICP Certification

Percentage of bachelor's graduates taking the AICP exam within 7 years who passed, graduating class of 2014 (for accredited undergrad)	100%
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Employment

Percentage of full-time graduates obtaining professional planning, planning-related, or other positions within 12 months of graduation, graduating class of 2020	78%
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