

GEOGRAPHY AND URBAN STUDIES, MINOR (0010)

Western Sydney University Minor Code: 0010

Previous Code: SM1093.1

Available to students in other Western Sydney University

Programs: Yes. Check that your program has the available credit points required to complete the subjects in this field of study. Any requisite requirements must also be met. Consult your Program Advisor for further advice.

Students in this minor examine the geography of contemporary Australian cities and regions. Geography is the integrated study of people, places and environments. The cutting-edge interests of today's Geographers include post-colonialism, the emergence of global information economies, indigenous issues, class and cultural disparities, population movement, sexuality and space, and the global diffusion of popular culture. Urban Studies is a newer discipline focused on social justice within the city, through its critical assessments of peoples' access to scarce urban resources, such as housing, transport, education and employment. The political, economic, and cultural forces that shape cities and urban policy are the key concerns of the Urban Studies curriculum. These applied interests in urban well-being and city structure are the intellectual basis for the Urban Planning profession. A minor in Geography and Urban Studies will prepare students for both employment and a research higher degree.

Location

Campus	Mode	Advice
Parramatta Campus - Victoria Road	Internal	Assoc Prof Awais Piracha (a.piracha@uws.edu.au)
Penrith Campus	Internal	Assoc Prof Awais Piracha (a.piracha@uws.edu.au)

Minor Sequence

Students must complete 4 of the following subjects:

Course	Title	Credit Points
Year 1		
Autumn session		
HUMN 1008	Cities: Introduction to Urban Studies	10
Credit Points		10
Year 2		
Autumn session		
HUMN 2018	Cultural and Social Geographies	10
Credit Points		10
Spring session		
HUMN 2053	The Economics of Cities and Regions	10
ENVL 2001	Analysis of Spatial Data	10
Credit Points		20
Year 3		
Autumn session		
ENVL 3005	Planning the City: Development, Community and Systems	10

ENVL 3006	Transport, Access and Equity	10
Credit Points		20
Spring session		
HUMN 3041	Geographies of Migration	10
HUMN 3050	Housing Markets and Policy	10
Credit Points		20
Total Credit Points		80

Related Programs

Bachelor of Psychological and Social Sciences (1910) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-psychological-social-sciences/>)

Bachelor of Social Science (1667) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-social-science/>)

Bachelor of Tourism Management (1664) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/bachelor-tourism-management/>)

Diploma in Social Science/Bachelor of Social Science (6023) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2024-2025/programs/diploma-social-science-bachelor-social-science/>)