

## 3.7.5 Master of Urban and Regional Planning

### Programme codes

11466 – 879(180)

11466 – 887(260) (Two-year programme)

The programmes are presented by the Centre for Regional and Urban Innovation and Statistical Exploration (CRUISE) of the Department of Geography and Environmental Studies.

### Specific Admission Requirements

#### 879:

- A professional Bachelor's degree in Urban and Regional Planning or Development Planning.
- A pass mark of 60%.

#### 887:

- A professional Bachelor's degree in one of the following disciplines: Urban and Regional Planning or Development Planning,  
or
- an Honours degree in one of the following disciplines: Geography or Sustainable Development.
- You may be granted admission to the programme through Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL).
- A pass mark of 60%.

### Closing Date for Applications

- South African students:
  - Apply by **31 October** of the preceding year.
- International students:
  - Apply by **31 August** of the preceding year.

### Programme Structure

#### 879:

*Please note:* This option does not provide access to registration with SACPLAN.

The programme comprises a 180-credit research thesis plus possible further prerequisites. The thesis deals with the study and solving of a relevant urban and regional planning problem.

#### 887:

This option could possibly lead to registration with SACPLAN, subject to accreditation by SACPLAN.

The programme comprises a course work component of 130 credits and 130 credit research thesis in the second year of study which deals with the study and solving of a relevant urban and regional planning and problem.

### Programme Content

#### 879:

#### Compulsory Module

13151 : Thesis (Urban and Regional Planning)	871(180)
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### Assessment and Examination

The thesis of 30 000 to 40 000 words, which demonstrates the ability to conduct independent scientific research on a geographical problem, is assessed according to the regulations of Stellenbosch University in Part 1 of the Calendar.

## Programme Content

**887:**

### Compulsory Modules

First year:

13299 : Social Systems	812(10)
13300 : Spatial Economic Systems	812(10)
13302 : Urban Systems	812(10)
13301 : Urban Form and Function	871(20)
13306 : GIS Analysis	812(10)
13310 : Planning Practice	871(20)
11434 : Planning Legislation	871(15)
11435 : Planning Theory	871(15)
11433 : Planning Design	871(20)

Second year:

13151 : Thesis (Urban and Regional Planning)	876(130)
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### Assessment and Examination

Assessment is done per module as explained in the framework of each individual module. The thesis in the taught option (programme code 11466-887) contributes 50% to the final mark. The thesis consists of a research project and at least one publishable article, and is assessed according to the University's regulations for Master's theses.

### Enquiries

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