

Public Information Updated September 2021

The Planning Accreditation Board requires this information be posted for the Name of Degree program.

Student Achievement

The Urban Planning and Environmental Policy Program at Texas Southern University attracts students from diverse backgrounds. The program maintains a notable level of student diversity in terms of race, ethnicity, gender, geography and nation of origin. Our current class consists of approximately 69% African American, 31% Caucasian and 19% Hispanic and < 1% international. In addition to the traditional master student directly out of their undergraduate program, over 50% of our students have experience prior to entering the program whether is in the field of planning or if they are making a career change.

The program measures student achievement in a number of ways.

*The percent of students passing their comprehensive exam which represents their grasp of planning knowledge, skills and ethics

*The culmination of skill sets and knowledge in creating a plan/project for community or municipality that is formally accepted by the planning commission, city council or other authorizing body.

In additional to measuring student achievement while in the program, the program captures the student achievement and activities after graduation. Students are employed in their profession of choice within 6 months after graduation. For both the 2019-2020 and 2020-2019 academic years,100% of our graduates' work in professional positions of choice.

Civic engagement and service to the community is a value that is emphasized throughout the curriculum and demonstrated by the faculty's involvement personally and professionally. The 2021 alumni survey asked students about their involvement in professional organizations as well as their participation on committees or within the communities they reside or issues of concern. Seventy-five of the graduates y have continued membership with the APA, only 25% were active in other professional planning related organizations such as ESRI. Seventy-five percent of graduates are involved in the community with activities ranging from community gardening, superhero Saturdays, volunteering with the OST/SU GO community and serving on a committee of their neighborhood CDC.

2020-2021 Tuition and Fees

In State Residents, per full-time academic year (9 hours for 2 semesters totaling 18 hrs).	\$7,040.38
Out of State Residents, per full-time academic year (9 hours for 2 semesters totaling 18 hrs).	\$13,484.38

Student Retention Rate

Percentage of students who began studies in fall 2020 and continued into fall 2021	NA*
Percentage of students who began studies in the 20-21 academic year and continued into fall 2021	100%
*No new students admitted for fall 2021.	

Student Graduation Rate

Percentage of full-time students graduating within 4 years, entering class of 2017	100%
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Number of Degrees Awarded

Number of degrees awarded for 2019-2020 Academic Year	3
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AICP Certification

Percentage of master's graduates taking the AICP exam within 5 years who pass, graduating class of 2016	50%
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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 *Twenty-five percent of those graduating were employed in position prior to graduation	100%*
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