Choose a career in urban and regional planning (generally referred to as ‘planning’) and you will make a difference to people’s lives by improving the quality of cities and regions.

Planning involves strategic, long-term structural and statutory approaches to improve built and natural environments, often working through the legislative framework controlling land use. The field is closely allied with environmental management, architecture, public administration, sociology, community studies, ecology and similar disciplines.

At The University of Queensland, you will learn from some of Australia’s best practitioners, in a program that is recognised by employers as delivering high-quality and experienced graduates.

You will receive an industry-guided balance of theoretical knowledge and practical experience so you will graduate confident and job-ready.

The Master of Urban and Regional Planning was the first masters level program in Queensland to be recognised by the Planning Institute of Australia (PIA).

Opportunities are available to undertake an individual research investigation through an advanced research project and you can also choose from electives to allow some specialisation during your studies. Also available are an industry-based practicum and an in-house practical project.

Career opportunities
Employers seek UQ graduates for their ability to make environmentally, socially and economically sustainable decisions. You will find employment in a variety of roles in the public and private sectors, including:

- Strategic planning
- Statutory planning
- Regional development
- Environmental management and monitoring
- Technology for planning
- Spatial planning
- Commercial and industrial development
- Engineering and architectural applications
- Heritage and conservation
- Land-use planning
- Planning law
- Resource management
- Social planning
- Tourism
- Transport planning
- Urban design
LEADING RESEARCH
Ninety five percent of UQ’s broad fields are now above or well-above world standard, and none are below (2015 Excellence in Research for Australia (ERA) assessment).

INTERNATIONAL REPUTATION
UQ is one of only three Australian members of the global Universitas 21, a founding member of the Group of Eight (Go8) universities, and a member of Universities Australia.

ESTEEMED TEACHERS
More national teaching awards than any other Australian University.

GLOBAL LEADER
 Ranked in the top 50 in the world overall (QS World University Rankings, 2015-2016).

SUCCESSFUL GRADUATES
UQ graduates enjoy full-time employment rates and salaries higher than the national average.

WORLD-CLASS FACILITIES
Access state-of-the-art laboratories and research facilities.

VIBRANT CAMPUSES
Dynamic on campus environment, with over 190 sporting and cultural clubs and societies.

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**Theresa Fullerton**
Urban and Regional Planning graduate

Master of Urban and Regional Planning graduate Theresa Fullerton chose UQ due to the profile and strength of the School of Geography, Planning, and Environmental Management.

I liked UQ because of its top class facilities, the attractiveness of the campus, its proximity to the inner city and of course for the quality of the program.

Theresa especially appreciated the broad scope of the program that gave her insight into a wide variety of planning-related topics, providing valuable skills for the future, as well as the practical experience gained during her studies.

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<td>Graduate Diploma in Urban and Regional Planning</td>
<td>16 units (1 year full-time or part-time equivalent)</td>
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<td>Master of Urban and Regional Planning</td>
<td>32 units (2 years full-time or part-time equivalent)</td>
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**Sample Courses**
- Strategic Metropolitan Planning
- Sustainable Communities
- Applied Demography
- Designing Places
- Urban Management and Governance in Developing Countries
- The Urban Challenge

**Entry Requirements**

**Graduate Certificate in Urban and Regional Planning**
Program code 5068
CRICOS Code: 025968D
Bachelor degree in any field, with UQ or equivalent GPA of 4 or above on a 7 point scale; or 2 years of work experience in the same discipline.

**Graduate Diploma in Urban and Regional Planning**
Program code 5116
CRICOS Code: 025980G
Bachelor degree in any field or Graduate Certificate in Urban and Regional Planning with UQ or equivalent GPA of 4 or above on a 7 point scale.

**Master of Urban and Regional Planning**
Program code 5559
CRICOS Code: 077535K
Bachelor degree in any field or Graduate Certificate or Graduate Diploma in Urban and Regional Planning, with UQ or equivalent GPA of 4.5 or above on a 7 point scale.

**International Students: English Proficiency**
IELTS overall 6.5; writing 6, reading 6, speaking 6, and listening 6. For other English Language Proficiency Tests and Scores approved for UQ, view the English proficiency policy at future-students.uq.edu.au/english-requirements.

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