

Community Development (CODE)

Courses

CODE 5301 Introduction to Community Development: 3 semester hours.

This course will examine the nature and role of community development activities as a strategy to increase the assets a community has at its disposal to solve problems. The course explores both local government and not-for-profit sector organizations with a focus on partnership and corporations. The role and responsibilities of a consensus organizer in the CD process will be examined.

CODE 5305 Community Dev Studio: 3 semester hours.

Research projects and hands on experience to give students a contextual understanding of the community development profession. The focus of this class will be on the social and physical aspects of a community's development.

CODE 5307 Community Development Financing: 3 semester hours.

Non-traditional financing strategies will be studied to support projects addressing the development of distressed communities.

CODE 5308 Demography and GIS: 3 semester hours.

This course will introduce students to the use of demography and geographic information systems (GIS) in the design and development of communities. This course is designed to enhance student's research skills with GIS technology.

CODE 5310 Cultural Heritage Preservation: 3 semester hours.

This course will explore the history and theory of historic preservation in the United States and an overview of the professional practice of preserving the cultural and physical heritage of buildings, structures, sites and communities will be examined.

CODE 5312 Historic Preservation: 3 semester hours.

This course will explore research skills and the historic designation process of buildings and districts at the local, state, and national levels.

CODE 5320 Introduction to Community Leadership: 3 semester hours.

Identifying and anticipating future leaders of communities through selected programs.

CODE 5321 Negotiation, Mediation and Facilitation: 3 semester hours.

Skill building strategies and exercises in critical thinking, listening and identity based communications.

CODE 5330 Community Political Structure: 3 semester hours.

The role and function of public and private organizations and local, state and national government in the community development process.

CODE 5331 Community Management and Leadership: 3 semester hours.

The theory and practice of leadership and management in various community development related settings.

CODE 5332 Community Analysis: 3 semester hours.

The basic skills of studying and understanding the structure, function, goals, standards and performance of a community.

CODE 5334 Community Research: 3 semester hours.

Methods for recognizing information needs, sources and applications.

CODE 5336 Community Physical Structure: 3 semester hours.

The physical context of the community and its impact on community health and development.

CODE 5351 Grant Development: 3 semester hours.

This course will examine the process of securing and managing resources to support effective nonprofit projects and community development activities.

CODE 5352 Campaigns and Gifts: 3 semester hours.

Campaign strategic planning and techniques used in driving donor decisions.

CODE 5354 Research for Capital and Grant Development: 3 semester hours.

Research for fundraising efforts.

CODE 5360 Land Development and Planning in Declining Communities: 3 semester hours.

This course will explore techniques used to identify and acquire vacant or unmanaged properties in depressed neighborhoods. The course examines challenges, social and other influences and changes throughout the world, with a special emphasis upon less industrialized area.

CODE 5361 Land Development and Use Control Strategies: 3 semester hours.

This course will introduce students to the basic principles of land and real estate development. The course will provide an overview of the development process, the land development team, site analysis reading development drawings and environmental issues.

CODE 5375 International Community Development Policies and Practices: 3 semester hours.

The role of government and private organizations in developing distressed foreign communities.

CODE 5380 Principles of Real Estate I: 3 semester hours.

This course will introduce students to the basic principles of the real estate profession. Licensing requirements and the Texas Real Estate Licensing Act are covered. This course satisfies one of the core course requirements to apply for a State of Texas Real Estate License.

CODE 5381 Principle of Real Estate II: 3 semester hours.

This course will introduce students to real world practices through the use of lectures, guest speakers, and case studies. This course will expose students to the many activities involved in real estate transactions. This course satisfies one of the core course requirements to apply for a State of Texas Real Estate License.

Prerequisites: CODE 5308 or CODE 5803.

CODE 5382 Law of Agency: 3 semester hours.

This course covers the representation of property owners, buyers and/or intermediaries. This course satisfies one of the core course requirements to apply for a State of Texas Real Estate License.

CODE 5383 Law of Contract: 3 semester hours.

This course covers FHA, VA and Conventional contracts. Students will be exposed to the applications of property acquisition contracts. This course satisfies one of the core course requirement to apply for a State of Texas Real Estate License.

Prerequisites: CODE 5382 or CODE 5823.

CODE 5601 Community Development Studio I: 6 semester hours.

A selection of supervised field trips, case studies, research projects and other hands-on community experiences to give students a contextual understanding of the community development profession.

CODE 5640 Internship: 6 semester hours.

Approved internship with a community development related organization.

CODE 5699 Independent Study: 6 semester hours.

Individual reading, research and/or field work in selected topics.

CODE 5993 Independent Study: 3 semester hours.

Individual reading, research and/or field work in selected topics.