The Delaware Difference: Integrating Academic Excellence and Professional Experience

The School of Urban Affairs and Public Policy is a leader in the integration of classroom instruction, research and professional practice. The School is a diverse community of faculty and professionals committed to teaching, applied research, and best practice in their profession, attracting a diverse body of top flight students.

Our students have opportunities to be involved with the Center for Historic Architecture and Design (CHAD), gaining knowledge and employable skills through research and preservation projects.

The successful MAHP graduate will be able to:

• Practice historic preservation in public, private and non-profit sectors.
• Demonstrate knowledge of preservation policy, practices, and planning processes in local, regional and global contexts.
• Exhibit technical and professional competencies needed in historic preservation including documenting and analyzing historic properties and use of GIS and AutoCAD.
• Engage the public as advocates, interpreters, and educators.

Make A Real Difference... With a Career in Historic Preservation

If you want to make an impact on your community by practicing historic preservation in public, private, and non-profit sectors, then a Master of Arts in Historic Preservation at the University of Delaware’s School of Urban Affairs & Public Policy is the first step in making a real difference!

Why Historic Preservation?

The Master of Arts in Historic Preservation program (MAHP) at the University of Delaware provides students with a comprehensive knowledge of the theory, methods, and practice in historic preservation and prepares them for employment in public, private, and non-profit sectors. The MAHP emphasizes field-based instruction, and focuses on architectural documentation and analysis; preservation and sustainability planning; intangible cultural heritage; vernacular architecture; and the application of computer technology to preservation.

The M.A. in Historic Preservation Program at the University of Delaware

The program is designed as a two-year, 39-credit-hour degree with 24 hours of core requirements and 15 hours of electives. Our MAHP program allows students to develop areas of specialization by offering a diverse set of electives including a Certificate in Museum Studies.

The MAHP has also been designed to meet the certification requirements of the National Council for Preservation Education.

We also offer a Graduate Certificate in Historic Preservation consisting of 12 credit hours that comprise the core of the M.A. in Historic Preservation.

For more on information on the certificate and CHAD, please visit: www.udel.edu/CHAD
Our Commitment to Diversity

Today’s policy issues are interdisciplinary and multicultural in scope. Addressing complex and dynamic problems depends on our ability to understand, respect, appreciate and value different cultures, perspectives and experiences. The School of Urban Affairs and Public Policy is committed to offering its students an interdisciplinary and multicultural education. That commitment is expressed in the composition of our curriculum, our faculty and professional staff, and our student community.

Personal Attention

Students interact closely with faculty and staff on research and public service projects and instructors are readily available to meet with students. The Center for Architecture and Design works on a variety of research projects in Delaware, across the U.S., and around the world. Faculty work with students on projects that best suit their professional interests. There is a full calendar of social events, seminars, and lectures by special guests. MAHP program participants have many opportunities to become involved in student activities.

The Center for Architecture and Design

Established in 1984, the Center for Historic Architecture and Design (CHAD) is an interdisciplinary unit addressing issues related to historic preservation through an integrated program of teaching, research, and public service. Since its inception, CHAD has been actively involved in preserving Delaware’s architectural landscapes. The Center’s work focuses on understanding the evolution and significance of the built environment and related material culture from a scholarly perspective and designing effective public policies to preserve significant historical resources.

CHAD provides students with hands-on training and experience in combination with a classroom education to make them competitive for employment in areas of historic preservation.

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Research Assistantships & Financial Aid

The School’s competitive research assistantships allow students to develop professional skills while earning their degree. Research assistants typically work 20 hours per week in one of the affiliated research and public service centers or in a public or nonprofit agency. Financial assistance is awarded on an annual, competitive merit basis and governed by the availability of funding.

Admissions

Admissions to the MAHP program requires a bachelor’s degree with a strong academic record; 3 letters of recommendation, GRE scores, TOEFL score (for foreign students); and a record of achievement in related work and volunteer experience. In addition, applicants must include a non-refundable application fee, and should complete a School of Urban Affairs and Public Policy Supplementary Information form and attach a resume. Preference is given to applicants who demonstrate a clear career interest in historic preservation.

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In addition to the M.A. in Historic Preservation, the School of Urban Affairs and Public Policy also offers the following academic programs:

- MA in Urban Affairs and Public Policy
- Master in Public Administration
- M.S. in Disaster Science and Management
- Ph.D. in Urban Affairs and Public Policy
- Ph.D. in Disaster Science and Management

Applying is Easy.... Do it today!

Go to http://www.udel.edu/gradoffice/apply/

We invite you to further explore the School of Urban Affairs and Public Policy. For more information or to apply, please visit our website at www.suapp.udel.edu or contact us at the address below. We would be happy to speak with you.

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