Rural Planning and Development: **MPLAN**

The MPLAN program is geared towards professionals and those seeking to add to their dossier of planning related education. It encompasses both the traditional planning and new frontiers in planning for public services, programs and projects. Courses are available on campus, through video conferencing, and on-line supervised reading courses.

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**Program**

Graduates from this program will be awarded a Master of Planning. It takes approximately 3-5 semesters to complete, depending on the students ability to allocate time to complete 4.0 credits.

This degree is not accredited. For those employed in planning who are not accredited, this program provides assistance in meeting the accreditation requirements.

**Research Fields**

The Rural Planning and Development program has two streams:
- International
- Canadian

Within each stream are a range of specialities you may be interested in.

**Admission Requirements**

Qualified graduates from relevant disciplines (minimum B- average) is required with 4-5 years of experience in planning OR appropriate prior education.

**Application Deadlines:**
- Winter Entry: September 30, 2018
- Summer Entry: January 30, 2019
- Fall Entry: May 30, 2019

**Faculty**

The School of Environmental Design and Rural Development boasts a strong faculty with a wide range of interests in both Canadian and international fields, specializing in rural, regional and remote community planning.

The School of Environmental Design and Rural Development is unique in Canada in that it houses three closely related programs; Rural Planning and Development, Landscape Architecture and Capacity Development and Extension. Students in the School have access to faculty in all three programs as instructors, advisory committee members and for consultation. As such, students are able to both focus on areas of specialization across all three programs and have access to learning skills and substantive knowledge from each program.

**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN:**
- Land use planning
- Environmental and Resource Management
- Aboriginal Community Planning and Development
- Program and Project Planning
- Municipal Planning in Rural Towns

**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:**
- Planning Departments in Rural-Urban Interface Municipalities
- Planner with Provincial Agencies
- Planner with local boards of education, regional police forces, social and welfare services
- Policy Analyst
- Consulting Specialist
- Community Development Officer
- Natural Resources and Environmental Management

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