

# MRP PROPOSED THREE YEAR OFFERINGS 2019 - 2021

*as at August 2018*

S1 = semester 1, S2 = semester 2, S12 = double semester (Feb-Nov)

		2019	2020	2021
132.729	Mana Taiao: Advanced Māori and		S2	
132.731	Planning Law	S1		S1
132.732	Planning Theory	S2		S2
132.734	Urban Planning and Development	S1		S1
132.735	Natural Resource Planning		S2	
132.736	Professional Practice		S1	
132.738	GIS Principles & Applications		S1	
132.742	Planning History	S2		S2
132.751	Natural Hazards and Resilient	S1		S1
132.890	Professional Inquiry in Planning	S12	S12	S12
132.815	Thesis MRP 60 Credits (Part1)	S1	S1	S1
132.816	Thesis MRP 60 Credits (Part 2)	S2	S2	S2
132.897	Thesis MRP 90 Credits	S12	S12	S12
132.899	Thesis MRP 120 Credits	S12	S12	S12

Please note that Massey University reserves the right to vary or amend the timetables for papers where the changes are considered necessary or desirable. Please check the Massey website (using the Paper search function on the Massey homepage) for official confirmation of offerings.

## PLANNING YOUR COURSE

- Help in planning your course is always available from the Postgraduate Coordinator Associate Professor Caroline Miller at [C.L.Miller@massey.ac.nz](mailto:C.L.Miller@massey.ac.nz) or ph. (06) 3569099 ext. 83631
- We encourage you to plan your course when you enrol and to review it each year as offerings can and do change in the same way your family and work life change. A Course Planning form should be completed each year and be emailed to Caroline Miller. The form can be downloaded from the Planning Postgrads Stream site on Stream.
- Make yourself aware of enrolment deadlines as late applications are not always granted and may leave you scrambling to catch up. Enrolment dates can be found at <http://www.massey.ac.nz/massey/admission/enrolment/dates/enrolment-dates.cfm>
- All courses involve computer based learning through Stream so you need access to the internet.
- Some courses involve a block course on campus so make sure you identify those dates and get them into your diary.

## **CHANGES TO THE REGULATIONS FOR A MRP**

From 2017 new Regulations were put in place for those who **started a MRP or PG Dip in 2017**. All other students who started before 2017 will continue under transitional Regulations. We have provided detail to cover both situations below.

### **Advice for students enrolling in a MRP or PG Dip.Planning for the first time in 2020**

Under the new Regulations the MRP is made up of two parts

- Part 1 is 120 credits of papers made up of the compulsory papers 132.731 Planning Law, 132.732 Planning Theory and 132.736 Professional Practice plus a paper from the Elective Papers
- In order to progress from Part 1 to Part 2 you must either obtain B average to enter the ***Professional Pathway***, or a B+ to enter the ***Research Pathway***.
- Students following the ***Professional Pathway*** will take a further 60 credits in Elective Papers and 132.890 Professional Inquiry in Planning, a 60 credit directed research paper.
- Students following the ***Research Pathway*** will take **EITHER** a 90 credit thesis and an additional Elective Paper, **OR** a 120 credit thesis.
- If you achieve a B+ average in Part 1 you are not compelled to undertake the Research Pathway. However, if you do wish to undertake the Research Pathway then it is recommended that you contact the Postgraduate Coordinator to discuss your options.

### **Advice for students already enrolled in a MRP or PGDip. Planning**

- In your planning there are some basics to keep in mind:
  1. If you had completed at least 30 credits by the end of 2016 you will be transferred to the new regulations (see the section relating to new students below) when you enrol for papers in 2019. However, you will be exempted from the GPA requirements for progression from Part 1 to Part 2 (see below).
  2. If you had completed at least 90 credits by the end of 2017 you may choose to enrol under the new regulations (see the section relating to new students below), or continue under the old regulations.
  3. Regardless of which regulations you are completing under you must complete 240 credits for a MRP and 120 credits for a PG.Dip.Planning.
  4. If you are completing a MRP you must take the core papers i.e. 132.731 Planning Law, 132.732 Planning Theory and 132.736 Planning Practice.

If existing students choose to continue under the old regulations your MRP must include a research element, which will now be provided by 132.890 which is worth 60 credits. This paper complete replaces two previous papers 132.804 and 132.895. If you want to do more than 30 credits of research you must discuss this at early as possible with the Postgraduate Coordinator Caroline Miller and you will be required to have achieved a B+ average in your completed papers.

If you are doing 132.895, 132.815/816, 132.897 or 132.899 in 2018 you will be sent details of your supervisors when your enrolment offer has been accepted.

## SHORT PAPER OUTLINES

### **132.729 MANA TAIAO: ADVANCED MĀORI AND PLANNING**

In this paper, students will start from a foundation of understanding the relationship between Māori and the environment; and explore the history, politics and practices that arise in the interface between Māori and Planning, both in the Planning world and in the Māori world. Students will also draw on the literature to understand and analyse a series of contemporary situations, and contribute ideas about the future.

### **132.731 PLANNING LAW**

The Resource Management Act 1991, and the New Zealand legal system as it relates to environmental law and the planning process. Topics covered include the place of law in the sustainability debate and environmental ethics, property rights, legal aspects of the Treaty of Waitangi and developments in case law dealing with current environmental and planning issues.

### **132.732 PLANNING THEORY**

The philosophical and theoretic foundations of planning and the principles of urban design are identified and analysed using studios and seminars. Business, other disciplines and indigenous approaches to environmental planning challenge traditional views about 'public interest'. The role of planners in collaborative and communicative approaches to urban and environmental planning is identified, along with the effect of jargon in communication. The future of planning, including changes to codes of ethics and practice given a global focus on sustainable management is discussed.

### **132.734 URBAN PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT**

This paper engages with the theories and trends underpinning urban planning. It begins by examining the history of cities and ends with a look to the future of urban places and planning. Most of the paper deals, however, with contemporary trends that are affecting the operating environment within which planners work and their communities envision the future and on the application of knowledge to contemporary urban planning problems. Whenever possible, the lectures will be linked with current applications in New Zealand. The assessment requires a combination of creativity, sound analytical judgment and effective communication. It also requires a solid grasp of the substantive material covered in lectures and readings. ***The 3 day highly recommend block course for this paper will likely held at the Massey University Albany Campus in Auckland.***

### **132.735 NATURAL RESOURCE PLANNING**

Natural resource planning principles and practice. Application of the concept of sustainable development to the management of biophysical resources and systems. Case studies will focus

on the integration of planning and ecological principles in resolving resource management problems. Specialised techniques and methods to advance natural resource planning practice.

#### **132.736 PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE**

Development of the knowledge and skills required by the professional planner in practice. The paper focuses on a range of issues in current planning practice and examines a variety of techniques that might be used to address those issues. Interactive teaching techniques are combined with lectures. *This course will include a compulsory 3-day block course based at the Massey University Palmerston North campus.*

#### **132.738 GIS PRINCIPLES AND APPLICATIONS**

A conceptual and operational understanding of Geographic Information Systems (GIS). Students are introduced to fundamentals of spatial data creation, input and management, perform overlay analysis, explore spatial data with statistics, perform network analysis, perform terrain analysis, design and work with geospatial databases, present spatial information in map form and through interactive web-based maps. Distance mode with weekly computer-based studios.

#### **132.742 PLANNING HISTORY: FROM TOWN PLANNING TO RESOURCE MANAGEMENT**

An advanced exploration of the historical development of planning as a discipline and profession in New Zealand. The paper involves the use of some primary resources and is taught fully on-line and is internally assessed.

#### **132.751 NATURAL HAZARDS AND RESILIENT COMMUNITIES**

A study of natural hazards and the role of planning in building sustainable and disaster resilient communities. Develop and apply planning processes and tools to assess hazard vulnerability, reduce hazard risks, improve disaster readiness, develop effective response capabilities, and facilitate recovery. *This course will include a highly recommended but not compulsory 3-day block course based at the Massey University Palmerston North campus.*

#### **132.890 PROFESSIONAL INQUIRY IN PLANNING**

An advanced exploration of planning-based research methods and their application to independent research and analysis within a planning context.

**132.815** 60 credits **Thesis MRP (Part I)**

**132.816** 60 credits **Thesis MRP (Part II)**

**132.895** 30 credits **Research Report (30)**

**132.897** 90 credits **Thesis MRP**

**132.899** 120credits**Thesis MRP**