

# MPhil (Urban and Regional Science)

## *Programme codes*

12569 – 879(180)

12569 – 889(180)

The programmes are presented by the Centre for Regional and Urban Innovation and Statistical Exploration (CRUISE) of the Department of Geography and Environmental Studies.

## *Specific Admission Requirements*

### **879:**

- A professional Bachelor's degree in one of the following disciplines: Urban and Regional Planning, Development Planning, Engineering, Architecture

or

- an Honours degree in one of the following disciplines: Geography, Sociology, Economics, Public Administration, Statistics, Mathematics or Demography

### **889:**

- A professional Bachelor's degree in one of the following disciplines: Urban and Regional Planning, Development Planning, Engineering, Architecture

or

- an Honours degree in one of the following fields: Geography, Economics, Public Administration, Sociology, Demography, Statistics or Mathematics

## *Closing Date for Applications*

- South African students:
  - Apply by **31 October** of the preceding year.
- International students:
  - Apply by **31 August** of the preceding year.

## *Programme Structure*

### **879:**

The programme comprises a research thesis of 180 credits plus other possible prescribed co-requirements and deals with the study and resolution of a relevant urban and regional science problem.

### **889:**

The programme comprises a course work component of 80 credits and a research thesis of 100 credits. The thesis deals with the study and resolution of a relevant urban and regional science problem.

## **Programme Content**

**879:**

### *Compulsory Module*

12568 : Thesis (Urban and Regional Science)	872(180)
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### *Assessment and Examination*

The thesis of 30 000 to 40 000 words, which demonstrates the ability to conduct independent scientific research on an urban and regional scientific problem, is assessed according to the regulations of Stellenbosch University in Part 1 of the Calendar.

**889:**

### *Compulsory Modules*

12568 : Thesis (Urban and Regional Science)	871(100)
13299 : Social Systems	812(10)
13300 : Spatial Economic Systems	812(10)
13304 : Migration Systems	812(10)
13309 : Urban Management	812(10)
13305 : Statistical Analysis	812(10)
13302 : Urban Systems	812(10)
13301 : Urban Form and Function	812(10)
13306 : GIS Analysis	812(10)

### *Assessment and Examination*

The modules are assessed by means of tests, examinations, and group and individual assignments – in writing and orally. The thesis in the taught option (programme code 12569 – 889) contributes 55% to the final mark. The thesis consists of a research project and at least one publishable article, and is assessed according to the regulations of Stellenbosch University for Master’s theses.

## **Enquiries**

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