



GEOP2080

Planning and Development

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Department of Geography and Planning

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General Information

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Credit points 10
Prerequisites GEOP1040
Corequisites
Co-badged status
Unit description This unit examines the relationship between planning and development, with particular reference to NSW. This is a practice-based unit and provides an introduction to the legal basis for development approvals, various development consent pathways, an analysis of development assessment, and plans that provide the framework for assessment, such as State environmental planning policies, local environmental plans, development control plans. Students will learn to interpret plans and development proposals and understand how controls affect built outcomes.

Important Academic Dates

Information about important academic dates including deadlines for withdrawing from units are available at <https://www.mq.edu.au/study/calendar-of-dates>

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:

- ULO1:** Apply critical thinking and practical experience in the field of planning and development.
- ULO2:** Apply skills in the theory and practice of development assessment process in NSW.
- ULO3:** Apply a basic understanding of planning law and relevant planning instruments to development assessment.
- ULO4:** Use plan reading and evaluation skills to solve development problems.

Assessment Tasks

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

Assessment details are no longer provided here as a result of changes due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Students should consult [iLearn](#) for revised unit information.

[Find out more about the Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) and potential impacts on staff and students](#)

General Assessment Information

Late Assessment Penalty

Unless a Special Consideration request has been submitted and approved,

(a) a penalty for lateness will apply – two marks out of 100 will be deducted per day for assignments submitted after the due date – and

(b) no assignment will be accepted more than seven days (incl. weekends) after the original submission deadline. No late submissions will be accepted for timed assessments – e.g. quizzes, online tests.

Presentation expectation

- Assessment tasks (excluding quizzes) should be properly referenced using the Harvard system of referencing.
- Text should be a minimum of 11 point font and line spacing 1.5.
- When using images, cite the source, provide a label, and refer to them in your text.
- Proof read your work at least twice.
- Use Australian English.

Academic integrity

You are encouraged to complete the University iLearn *Academic Integrity Module* which can be accessed via the unit iLearn site. A link to the *Academic Integrity Policy* is provided on iLearn as well as in the Policies and Procedures section of this Guide. Individual feedback to students will be provided via Turnitin.

Delivery and Resources

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

Any references to on-campus delivery below may no longer be relevant due to COVID-19.

Please check here for updated delivery information: <https://ask.mq.edu.au/account/pub/>

[display/unit_status](#)

This unit is taught in a studio/workshop format. It is designed to develop some of the hands on skills you will need as a practicing planner. You will develop skills and acquire knowledge from this unit most effectively by regular attendance.

There are no texts for this unit, however, you are encouraged to read the recommended readings below, as well as additional resources that will be posted on iLearn.

Recommended reading:

Gurran, N (2011) *Australian urban land use planning: principles, systems and practice*, Sydney University Press, Sydney

Jackson, S, Porter, L & Johnson, L.C (2017), *Planning in indigenous Australia*, Routledge, NY

Lyster, R, Lipman, Z, Franklin, N, Wiffen, G, & Pearson, L (2016) 4th ed. *Environmental and planning law in New South Wales*, The Federation Press, Annandale

Thompson, S & Maginn, P.J (eds) (2012) *Planning Australia: an overview of urban and regional planning*, Cambridge University Press, Port Melbourne

Unit Schedule

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

The unit schedule/topics and any references to on-campus delivery below may no longer be relevant due to COVID-19. Please consult [iLearn](#) for latest details, and check here for updated delivery information: https://ask.mq.edu.au/account/pub/display/unit_status

Weekly topics (subject to change)

1. Introduction to unit
2. Legal framework for planning
3. Planning systems: overview and in NSW
4. Strategic planning in NSW
5. Statutory planning: Environmental planning instruments - SEPPs
6. Local environmental plans
7. Development control plans
8. Understanding height and scale
9. Place-making + exploring the nexus between planning & development
10. DA assessment - Part 1
11. DA assessment - Part 2

Policies and Procedures

Macquarie University policies and procedures are accessible from [Policy Central \(https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central\)](https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central). Students should be aware of the following policies in particular with regard to Learning and Teaching:

- [Academic Appeals Policy](#)
- [Academic Integrity Policy](#)
- [Academic Progression Policy](#)
- [Assessment Policy](#)
- [Fitness to Practice Procedure](#)
- [Grade Appeal Policy](#)
- [Complaint Management Procedure for Students and Members of the Public](#)
- [Special Consideration Policy](#) (**Note:** *The Special Consideration Policy is effective from 4 December 2017 and replaces the Disruption to Studies Policy.*)

Students seeking more policy resources can visit the [Student Policy Gateway \(https://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/student-policy-gateway\)](https://students.mq.edu.au/support/study/student-policy-gateway). It is your one-stop-shop for the key policies you need to know about throughout your undergraduate student journey.

If you would like to see all the policies relevant to Learning and Teaching visit [Policy Central \(https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central\)](https://staff.mq.edu.au/work/strategy-planning-and-governance/university-policies-and-procedures/policy-central).

Student Code of Conduct

Macquarie University students have a responsibility to be familiar with the Student Code of Conduct: <https://students.mq.edu.au/study/getting-started/student-conduct>

Results

Results published on platform other than [eStudent](#), (eg. iLearn, Coursera etc.) or released directly by your Unit Convenor, are not confirmed as they are subject to final approval by the University. Once approved, final results will be sent to your student email address and will be made available in [eStudent](#). For more information visit ask.mq.edu.au or if you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@mq.edu.au

Student Support

Macquarie University provides a range of support services for students. For details, visit <http://students.mq.edu.au/support/>

Learning Skills

Learning Skills (mq.edu.au/learningskills) provides academic writing resources and study strategies to help you improve your marks and take control of your study.

- [Getting help with your assignment](#)
- [Workshops](#)
- [StudyWise](#)
- [Academic Integrity Module](#)

The Library provides online and face to face support to help you find and use relevant information resources.

- [Subject and Research Guides](#)
- [Ask a Librarian](#)

Student Services and Support

Students with a disability are encouraged to contact the [Disability Service](#) who can provide appropriate help with any issues that arise during their studies.

Student Enquiries

For all student enquiries, visit Student Connect at ask.mq.edu.au

If you are a Global MBA student contact globalmba.support@mq.edu.au

IT Help

For help with University computer systems and technology, visit http://www.mq.edu.au/about_us/offices_and_units/information_technology/help/.

When using the University's IT, you must adhere to the [Acceptable Use of IT Resources Policy](#). The policy applies to all who connect to the MQ network including students.