

Master's programme in Urban Studies and Planning 2025-2026

15 April 2025

First year mandatory studies

PERIOD 1/WEEK N:O 36-41 + STUDIO/EVALUATION WEEK 42

2025-26: 1.9.-12.10.2025 + 13.-19.10.2025

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9:15 - 10:00	USP-E0301 Introduction to Urban Studies & Planning		USP-E0303 Urban GIS and Visual Tools	USP-E0304 Urban Challenge Studio 1 lectures and sessions	USP-E0304 Urban Challenge Studio 1 working on studio
10:15 - 11:00					
11:15 - 12:00					
12:15 - 13:00					
13:15 - 14:00					
14:15 - 15:00		REC-E3100 Real Estate Economics	USP-E0302 Research Methods		
15:15 - 16:00			REC-E3100 Real Estate Economics		
16:15 - 17:00					
17:15 - 18:00					
18:15 - 19:00					
19:15 - 20:00					

Mandatory for all:

- UH USP-E0301 Introduction to Urban Studies & Planning (10 cr) USP-A, USP-REE
- UH USP-E0303 Urban GIS and Visual Tools (5 cr) USP-A, USP-REE
- Aalto USP-E0304 Urban Challenge Studio 1 (5-10 cr) USP-A 10 cr, USP-REE 5 cr

Mandatory for some majors:

- UH USP-E0302 Research Methods (5 cr) USP-A
- Aalto REC-E3100 Real Estate Economics (6 cr) USP-REE

Alternative and elective studies:

Check Student Guide:

<https://www.aalto.fi/en/programmes/masters-programme-in-urban-studies-and-planning/curriculum-2024-2026>

The courses are colour coded:

- Joint studies for all USP students
- USP Architecture students
- USP Real Estate Economics students

Always check the Student Guide for the courses in your major. Changes are possible and they will be told in Sisu. Note that the periods are different at the University of Helsinki so there might be changes.

PERIOD 2/WEEK N:O 43-48 + STUDIO/EVALUATION WEEK 49

2024-25: 21.10.-1.12.2024 + 2.-8.12.2024

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9:15 - 10:00	USP-E0301 Introduction to Urban Studies & Planning		USP-E0303 Urban GIS and Visual Tools	REC-E3400 Housing Economics	USP-E0304 Urban Challenge Studio 1 lectures and sessions
10:15 - 11:00					
11:15 - 12:00					
12:15 - 13:00					
13:15 - 14:00					
14:15 - 15:00			USP-E0302 Research Methods	REC-E3400 Housing Economics	USP-E0304 Urban Challenge Studio 1 working on studio
15:15 - 16:00					
16:15 - 17:00					
17:15 - 18:00					
18:15 - 19:00					
19:15 - 20:00					

INDEPENDENCE DAY SAT 6.12.2025 (WEEK 49)

Mandatory for all:

- UH USP-E0301 Introduction to Urban Studies & Planning (10 cr) USP-A, USP-REE
- UH USP-E0303 Urban GIS and Visual Tools (5 cr) USP-A, USP-REE

Mandatory for some majors:

- UH USP-E0302 Research Methods (5 cr) USP-A
- Aalto REC-E3400 Housing Economics (6 cr) USP-REE
- Aalto USP-E0304 Urban Challenge Studio 1 (5-10 cr) USP-A continues for 10 cr

Alternative and elective studies:

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PERIOD 3/WEEK N:O 2-7 + STUDIO/EVALUATION WEEK 8
2024-25: 6.1.-16.2.2025 + 17.-23.2.2025

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9:15 - 10:00				USP-E0305 Urban Challenge Studio 2 <i>lectures and sessions</i>	USP-E0305 Urban Challenge Studio 2 <i>working on studio</i>
10:15 - 11:00					
11:15 - 12:00					
12:15 - 13:00			REC-E3500 Urban Economics		
13:15 - 14:00					
14:15 - 15:00		REC-E3500 Urban Economics			
15:15 - 16:00		Urban Economics			
16:15 - 17:00					
17:15 - 18:00					
18:15 - 19:00					
19:15 - 20:00					

NEW YEAR'S DAY

EPIPHANY

THU 1.1.2025 (WEEK 1)

MON 6.1.2025 (WEEK 2)

Mandatory for all:

Aalto USP-E0305 Urban Challenge Studio 2 (10 cr) USP-A, USP-REE

Mandatory for some majors:

Aalto REC-E3500 Urban Economics (6 cr) USP-REE

Alternative and elective studies:

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PERIOD 4/WEEK N:O 9-14 + STUDIO/EVALUATION WEEK 15
2024-25: 24.2.-6.4.2025 + 7.-13.4.2025

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9:15 - 10:00				USP-E0305 Urban Challenge Studio 2 <i>lectures and sessions</i>	USP-E0305 Urban Challenge Studio 2 <i>working on studio</i>
10:15 - 11:00					
11:15 - 12:00					
12:15 - 13:00					
13:15 - 14:00					
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15:15 - 16:00					
16:15 - 17:00					
17:15 - 18:00					
18:15 - 19:00					
19:15 - 20:00					

2025-26: GOOD FRIDAY 3.4.2026 (WEEK 14) + EASTER MONDAY 6.4.2026 (WEEK 15)

no teaching or examinations

Mandatory for all:

Aalto USP-E0305 Urban Challenge Studio 2 (10 cr) USP-A, USP-REE

2.-8.4.2026 (spring holiday)

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PERIOD 5/WEEK N:O 16-22 + STUDIO/EVALUATION WEEK 23
2024-25: 14.4.-1.6.2025 + 2.6.-6.6.2025

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9:15 - 10:00	REC-E4700	REC-E4700	REC-E4700		
10:15 - 11:00	Environmental Law	Environmental Law	Environmental Law		
11:15 - 12:00	only 18.5.				
12:15 - 13:00					
13:15 - 14:00					
14:15 - 15:00					
15:15 - 16:00					
16:15 - 17:00					
17:15 - 18:00					
18:15 - 19:00					
19:15 - 20:00					

2025-26: MAY DAY FRI 1.5.2026 (WEEK 18) + ASCENSION DAY THU 14.5.2026 (WEEK 20)

Mandatory for some majors:

Aalto REC-E4700 Ympäristöoikeus (6 cr) USP-REE

Aalto *REC-E4700 Environmental Law examination USP-REE, check Sisu for options in other periods

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