

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS

BA in Sustainable Urbanism (BA-SU)

The progressive urbanisation of the world's population has multiple implications that range from the social to the ecological. Even as cities are widely seen as the embodiment of aspiration, infrastructures are severely under stress and ecological crisis, manifesting in many instances through disasters, awaits the urban future. South Asia is home to five of the ten largest megacities in the world, even as smaller urban centres are growing faster.

There is a clear need for a cadre of engaged practitioners to respond to the urban challenge. The BA in Sustainable Urbanism is designed to prepare technically strong, analytical, and socially-engaged practitioners. Graduates should be in a position to evaluate existing urban technologies in terms of their design, social interests, and control including the potential for democratic governance. The programme draws on the broad fields of urban studies, sustainability and planning, while adapting them to the specific Indian urban context.

We realise that many of our graduates may not immediately seek higher education upon finishing their undergraduate degree. It is therefore our special emphasis to prepare them for the world of work in the field and beyond. Three elements of the programme follow from this: first, the strong skill component. Each graduate will undertake 16 credits of coursework in various analytical methods—quantitative, ethnographic, mapping, and visualisation—using tools like ArcGIS. Second, several courses are designed to offer a glimpse of the world of work through practice-oriented content and field engagement. These include courses in areas like waste and sanitation, housing, and ecology. Third, a practicum component based on groupwork includes 8 credit of studio projects.

Structure

The BA programmes at Karampura Campus, AUD offer students a unique liberal arts education that acquaints them with diverse approaches to knowledge. The programmes encourage students to think critically and creatively, to analyse and reason, to communicate effectively and to draw evidence-based conclusions. It aims to achieve a balance between the range and depth of the subjects studied. The programme is delivered through a total number of 96 credits over six semesters. In order to receive a BA degree in Sustainable Urbanism, these credits must be earned in the following manner:

Courses	Minimum Credits
Foundation Courses	24
Major Courses	48
Non-Major courses offered by Sustainable Urbanism, or by the other undergraduate programmes at Karampura Campus, AUD: Law and Politics, Global Studies and Vocational Studies.	24

Total Seats: 50 seats at Karampura Campus

Medium of instruction: English

Eligibility: The candidate must have passed the class XII or an equivalent examination from a recognised Board and secured the minimum cut-off marks prescribed by the University.

Fees:

Tuition fee: Rs. 1,34,400/- (@Rs. 1400/- per credit, i.e. Rs. 22,400 per semester) + Rs.5000 (one-time, refundable caution deposit) + Rs.500/- per semester for student welfare fund.

If a student opts for extra credits, an additional fee of Rs.1,400/- per credit will have to be paid.

Partial/Full fee waiver and scholarships are available. Full fee waiver of tuition fee will be extended to students belonging to SC/ST/PwD categories.

Selection procedure

The selection will be based on merit on the basis of the marks obtained in class XII, which will not include any vocational subject.

Reservations norms of Government of NCT of Delhi will apply.

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