

Academic Year 2025/26

Certificate in Planning Practice

UCAS Code: 3038U

The Certificate in Planning Practice forms part of a structured route accredited by the Royal Town Planning Institute and consists of a 'sandwich year' or professional practice placement. The Certificate is normally taken between Stages 3 and 4 of the MPlan programme, or between Stages 3 and 4 of the Master of Architecture and Urban Planning (Urban Design) pathway.

The Degree Programme Director may approve as candidates applicants who hold the degree of Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Urban Planning from Newcastle University, or applicants who hold the degree of Bachelors of Arts with Honours in Architecture and Urban Planning, or applicants who hold an alternative RTPI-accredited qualification in town planning considered as equivalent, normally of at least second-class Honours standard.

Notes

- (i) *These programme regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's Postgraduate Progress Regulations and Examination Conventions.*
- (ii) *All optional modules are offered subject to the constraints of the timetable and to any restrictions on the number of students who may be taught on a particular module. Not all modules may be offered in all years and they are listed subject to availability.*
- (iii) *Unless otherwise stated under 'Type', modules are not core.*
- (iv) *A compulsory module is a module which a student is required to study.*
- (v) *A core module is a module which a student must pass, and in which a fail mark may neither be carried nor compensated; such modules are designated by the board of studies as essential for progression to a further stage of the programme or for study in a further module. A final stage module cannot be deemed to be core.*
- (vi) *A core module for outcomes is a module which a student must pass.*
- (vii) *A core module for PSRB accreditation is a module a student is required to pass to obtain accreditation.*
- (viii) *All modules are delivered in Linear mode unless stated otherwise as Block, eLearning or distance learning.*

1. Stage 1

The programme of study entails a period of professional practice experience of up to 12 months duration, approved by the Degree Programme Director. All candidates are normally required to return to the University on one occasion at a time given in the Certificate Programme Handbook. In addition, the following modules shall be undertaken:

- (a) All candidates shall take the following compulsory modules:

<i>Code</i>	<i>Descriptive title</i>	<i>Total Credits</i>	<i>Credits Sem 1</i>	<i>Credits Sem 2</i>	<i>Level</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Core for PSRB Accreditation</i>	<i>Core for learning outcomes</i>	<i>Mode</i>
TCP4002	Practice Issues Report	30	10	20	7		Core	Core	
TCP4003	Practice Issues Presentation	10	10		7		Core	Core	

TCP4004	Professional Practice Reflective Journal and Development Plan	20	10	10	7		Core	Core	
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Placement opportunities will be guided by governmental and institutional policy at the time.

2. Assessment methods

Details of the assessment pattern for each module are explained in the module outline. Candidates who fail to satisfy the examiners in shall be referred for re-examination on one further occasion only.

3. Degree classification

The Certificate is not classified.