Master of DEVELOPMENT PRACTICE

Expand your understanding of the political, social and planning challenges facing development. Develop the practical and intellectual skills to navigate this complex landscape, to critically engage with key debates, and to be part of creating alternatives for the future.

What are the causes and manifestations of inequality today? How can social economic and environmental justice be achieved? What are the benefits of community-led development and how is it done? How can theory help us rethink practice and vice versa?

The University of Queensland’s (UQ) Master of Development Practice addresses key challenges in the world today: the rights of Indigenous people, inequality, gender, health, violence, alternative economics, climate justice, and environmental sustainability.

With a diversity of delivery options – including intensive, online, practice-based learning environments and in-field research – our program is designed to fit in with your interests and availability whether you are starting, advancing or rethinking your career.

Local communities, whether in Australia or overseas, are situated within rich and complex global dynamics. Our program equips you with theoretically informed skills to embrace the challenges of understanding, practicing and rethinking development at different scales.

Drawing from anthropology, community development, planning, political science, sociology, and related fields, the Master of Development Practice offers a unique, multidisciplinary and practice-based learning experience.

Our graduates work across government, industry and community settings in development, social services, health, planning and elsewhere, to contribute to collaborative social change.

Benefit from a program taught and supervised by scholars engaged in the field through research and practice and study alongside students from all corners of the globe, broadening your horizons both personally and professionally.
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Program code: 5594 (32 unit program).
Program code: 5346 (24 unit program).

Program duration
The Master of Development Practice is offered as a 24 or 32 unit program (equivalent to 1.5 years or two years full-time or part-time equivalent). A Graduate Certificate is also available.

Entry requirements
Approved degree in any discipline with a GPA of 5 (32 unit program) or approved degree in same discipline with a GPA of 5 (24 unit program).

Intake
Semester 1 and Semester 2.

How to apply
Information about application procedures can be found at: future-students.uq.edu.au/apply

Choose from a range of courses including
• Community Development
• Development Planning in Developing Countries
• Ethics and Human Rights
• Foundations of Sustainable Development
• Gender and the Global Politics of Development
• Global South Cities
• History of Development
• Indigenous Politics
• Politics of Development
• Transformative Economics
• Urban Research and Evaluation Techniques

The benefits
• Develop a strong multidisciplinary foundation and complete core courses including topics such as community development, planning, sociology, international relations and politics.
• Benefit from a program taught and supervised by scholars engaged in the field through research and practice.
• Become part of a multicultural study environment and connect with an international cohort who each contribute rich and diverse experiences.
• We welcome applicants from various academic, professional and cultural backgrounds who are eager to rethink and redefine development practice.

“After graduation, my cohort took up work all over the world across a variety of sectors including resources, health, human and social services and environmental protection, working for governments, not-for-profits and private sector multinationals. This degree gives you the tools you need to hit the ground running after graduation.”

Sarah Stamp, Master of Development Practice

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