Diploma in Town and Country Planning - E201 (P/T)

1. **Aims and Objectives**

The objective of this course is to provide the necessary skills and knowledge to students who will be involved in planning work. There is a shortage of trained technicians at the level of the local authorities, central government and Rodrigues and there is a need to build capacity. The course is geared primarily to officers already in employment in the above organisations’ planning departments but who have no formal planning and who need to develop the proper perspective to planning work. The course would also be open to college-leavers and eventually to the wider Indian Ocean region.

2. **General Entry Requirements**

As per General Entry Requirements for admission to the University for Undergraduate Diplomas.

3. **Programme Requirements**

2 ‘A’ Levels or equivalent.

Or Credit in 5 GCE ‘O’ Level subjects + at least 10 years relevant experience.

4. **Programme Duration**:

Part-time

3 years Minimum,

5 years Maximum

The duration of the Programme should normally not exceed 5 years (10 semesters).

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5. **Credits Per Semester**

Minimum 3 credits (subject to Regulation 4)

6. **Minimum Requirements for the Award of the Diploma**

Minimum number of credits needed to be awarded a diploma is 61 credits.

**Note 1: Core Modules**

Students should satisfy all core modules to be eligible for the award of the Diploma.

**Note 2: Diploma project**

Dissertation /Project work to be carried out in level 3 will have a load equivalent of 6 hours per week.
7. **Assessment**

All modules will carry 100 marks and will be assessed as follows (unless otherwise specified):

Written examinations of 2-hour duration and continuous assessment will count for **20% to 30%** of total marks. Continuous assessment will be based on fieldwork, assignments and **should include at least two (2) assignments/ tests per module**.

An overall total of **40%** for combined assessment and written examination components would be required to pass the module, without minimum thresholds within the individual continuous assessment and written examination.

8. **Termination of Registration**

Registration will be terminated if CPA remains below 40 % for two registered consecutive Semesters.

9. **Modules of a Special Nature**

  **Self-Study Subjects**

Under special circumstances a student may be allowed to complete up to 6 credits (with grades) of course work by self-study, subject to recommendation by Department and approved by Faculty Board.

  **Independent Study**

Elective in form of projects may be offered to students who have already earned at least 75 credits. This elective will carry 3 credits and may be completed in a maximum if 2 semester. Grade S, U or X will be awarded for Independent Study.

  **Audit Subjects**

A maximum of 9 credits form modules in any course except departmental core modules may be allowed to be completed on audit basis. Audit facility will be allowed to all students upon recommendation of the Department. Grades S or U will be awarded for audit subjects.

10. **Programme Plan**

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**YEAR 3**

### Semester 1

**Core Modules**

- **CIVE 2142D** Civil Engineering Mgt1 3+0 3
- **CIVE 1102D** Introduction to GIS 2+2 3
- **CIVE 2010D** Project 8

### Semester 2

**Core Modules**

- **CIVE 2207D** Transportation 3+0 3
- **CIVE 2208D** Environmental Management 3+0 3
- **CIVE 2010D** Project 8

11. **Outline Syllabus**

**COMM 1010 - COMMUNICATION SKILLS (L – 3.0 BY DE MODE)**

**CSE 1010 - INTRODUCTION TO INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (L/P –3.0 by DE mode)**

**CIVE 1103D - PLANNING TOOLS (L – 3.0)**
An overview of the existing planning tools in Mauritius and their importance. The existing guidelines (specially outline schemes), and the procedures for their implementation and enforcement. Critical assessment of the existing framework.

**CIVE 1203D - BUILDING CONSTRUCTION (L/P – 2.5)**
Building codes and zoning. Types of structures and structural elements. Site preparation and layout. Introduction to architecture. Building construction drawing and computer aided drafting.

**CIVE 1205D - FOUNDATION MODULE 1(PLANNING LAW & PRACTICE)(L–6.0)**
(90 hrs = 60 student study hrs + 30 direct contact hrs)
Agencies, development plans, meaning of development. Planning permissions, appeals and enforcement. Special areas of control.

**MECH 1101 - ENGINEERING GRAPHICS (L/P – 2.0)**

**CIVE 1143D - SURVEYING 1 (L/P – 3.5)**

**LAW 1101 - INTRODUCTION TO LAW AND LEGAL METHODS (L – 3.0)**
CIVE 2100D - SPECIALISED STUDY (3)
The specialised study carried out during vacation over a period of 10 weeks should cover topics which may not be adequately covered or which may be desirable in addition to the formal modules such as:
♦ Construction and Urban Design
♦ Plan-making Processes
♦ Implementation and Resources

CIVE 2243D - VALUATION AND ESTATE MANAGEMENT (L - 3.0)

CIVE 2207D - TRANSPORTATION FOR PLANNERS (L – 3.0)

CIVE 2208D - ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT FOR PLANNERS (L – 3.0)
Environment Management in the Industry. ISO 14000, Environment legislation; Environment impact assessments; Environmental compliance and monitoring.

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