Spatial Planning

A programme of the Nijmegen School of Management

Introduction
Spatial planners are fascinated by on-going and future changes in cities and regions and take on managerial roles in spatial transformations, such as regenerating shopping districts or old industrial sites, designating water retention areas, and shaping urban mobility concepts for the future. Related challenges vary in scale, from individual property to European policy making. The program sub-title ‘managing smart cities and regions’ reflects the challenges of current and upcoming urban societies, at a time that ambitions for a ‘New Urban Agenda’ for the 21st century are formulated, with policies and strategies to create more sustainable and equitable urban spaces.

Why should you choose Spatial Planning in Nijmegen?
• A focus on developing a different understanding of planning and forms of practice. Smart and sustainable solutions for current planning problems are generated in multi-actor settings responding to and working with different stakeholders.
• An objective of learning is to create places that are socially, environmentally and economically just.

The programme
This is a one-year Master’s programme (60 ECs) that can be done either full time or part time. It is structured as follows:
• Three core modules (24 ECs)
• Four specialisations with two specialisation modules (12 ECs)
• Master’s thesis (24 ECs)
Once you have graduated, you will be awarded a Master of Science degree (MSc).

* You can choose a fifth specialisation, European Spatial and Environmental Planning (ESEP), which follows a different format. For details, please visit www.ru.nl/masters/esep.

change perspective

Alexander Woestenburg
Alumnus Spatial Planning

‘Planning in Nijmegen is embedded in both, a dynamic local practice and inspiring international networks of researchers. This coupling of theory and practice is challenging but also stimulating for becoming a good planner.’

Prof. Peter Ache
Professor of Spatial Planning

‘The study of planning in Nijmegen offers the best choice of experts in the field. Our research is international, innovative, theoretically ambitious, and well connected with the planning practice.’

Career prospects
Spatial planners from Nijmegen work as policy makers, consultants or project managers for the government, consulting firms, project developers, housing corporations or research institutes. Also, more and more of our alumni are working in international projects.

Application deadlines
The programme starts on 1 September. The application deadline is 1 April for students from non-EU/EEA countries and 1 May for students from within the EU/EEA. Successful international applicants who apply before these dates will be guaranteed accommodation and support with the visa and residence permit application.

Admission requirements
Students with a university Bachelor’s degree in Human Geography (with the Spatial Planning specialisation) or Spatial Planning can directly be admitted to the Master’s programme. You can also be admitted with other relevant university qualifications, such as a pre-Master’s programme. For more information, contact the study advisor.

How to apply?
Your application procedure depends on your previous education. Dutch students can apply via: www.studielink.nl. International students can apply via: www.ru.nl/masters/application.

Best traditional university
Radboud University is the best traditional university in the Netherlands. This is the conclusion of the 2016 edition of the Dutch university information guide ‘Keuzegids Universiteiten’.

After reading all the information, are you interested and enthusiastic about the Master’s programme Spatial Planning at Radboud University? Then apply now! We hope to see you in Nijmegen, the Netherlands!

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