

2023-24 Call for Proposals

Group Comprehensive Project

The Comprehensive Project is conducted by a group of students working under the advice of a faculty member and a client adviser. These projects simulate real world planning practice in that they incorporate students from various areas of concentration working together to research a problem from multiple planning angles. These projects run for two quarters (usually Winter/Spring) and culminate with a professional report and public presentation. Proposals for the comprehensive projects should incorporate several planning areas (i.e. transportation, design, housing, environment, etc.). Funding for these projects is generally shared by the client and department. Details of the project are negotiated with the Department Chair and Graduate Advisor. The accepted proposal will be implemented during the 2023-2024 academic year.

We recommend you submit your proposal by **Friday, April 28th**.

Examples of comprehensive projects:

- [Green & Rooted: Resisting Displacement and Climate Change in Pacoima and Sun Valley](#)
- [Analysis and Recommendations for the Culver City General Plan Update: Public Engagement, Housing, Transportation, Environment, and Urban Design](#)

Individual Client Project

Client Projects (or Applied Planning Research Projects) are conducted by students working on an individual basis under the advice of a faculty member and a client adviser. Similarly to the comprehensive projects, the client projects culminate with a professional report and poster presentation at *Careers, Capstones, and Conversations (CCC): A Networking Night* in spring each year. Submitted proposals will be emailed to the 2nd year MURP students. Students self-select projects of interest and contact the client directly. Students are required to have a client by September 2023 but most will begin their search this spring. Projects run from September 2023 – June 2024. While funding is not required for these projects, clients generally support the student with a stipend or resources needed to successfully complete the project. We welcome project proposals from anywhere in the world!

The deadline to submit a proposal is **Friday, August 25th** but we recommend submitting by **early June**, if possible, as submitting your proposal earlier will increase your chances of finding a student consultant.

Examples of client projects:

- Living Landscapes: Re-Imagining the Role Los Angeles Parks Play in Communities ([Poster](#), [Report](#))
- Evaluating the Clean Up Green Up Program ([Poster](#), [Report](#))
- Daylighting Public Funding Streams: Increasing Equitable Access to Public Transit Across California ([Poster](#), [Report](#))