

# COMMUNITY PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



**Pathway: Business & Public Services**  
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Award Title	Award Type	GE Units	Required Course Units	Major Elective Units	Total Major Units
Community Planning & Economic Development	AA	21	9	27	36
Community Planning and Economic Development	C		21	-	21

At least 60 degree applicable units are required to earn an Associate degree.

## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Community Planning program at LATTC is the only program offered at an accredited community college in the United States. Our unique program provides students the knowledge and training needed for successful employment in the field of community and economic development. The community and economic development industry focuses on revitalizing low and moderate income communities. Rebuilding the economic, physical and social infrastructure of urban communities represents a new, growing and exciting career opportunity. Students can learn basic planning knowledge, development strategies, technical skills and networks needed to enter the industry, earning a Certificate of Achievement

The Community Planning curriculum and courses are regularly reviewed to ensure that they are relevant, industry appropriate and cutting edge. Industry experts (academic and practitioners) develop, design and teach our courses. Our industry partnerships provide critical resources for our students, providing them with invaluable employment, volunteer, internship and networking opportunities. Our courses are structured to be laboratories (classroom and field work) that combine lecture, project driven learning and hands on application of knowledge to contemporary issues affecting communities. Community planning courses are taught during the evening/weekends on campus and in the community to provide students with the greatest range of educational opportunities.

Successful students will be able to apply a community organizing set of skills and tools that address multiple community and economic development issues. Students who complete the program become viable and competitive for employment opportunities. They will have developed their knowledge and skill base, practiced their learning through field work, internships or paid experience and have created networks and/or participated in collaborations that have maximized their knowledge with capacity to understand urgent issues and trends.

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**Associate in Arts Degree**  
**Major Units: 36**

Requirements for the Associate in Arts degree in Community Planning and Economic Development may be met by completing 9 units of Required Courses and 27 units of Major Electives with a "C" or better along with the General Education units. Information on the General Education unit requirements may be found in the catalog under Graduation Requirements.

## PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES (PLOs)

Upon completion of the Degree program, students are able to:

1. Analyze and assess low-income community needs, assets and issues from a community planning and economic development industry lens.
2. Develop various types of industry approved project proposals to address community planning and economic development issues with solutions that include data analysis, identified targets, goals, objectives, timelines, expected outcomes and community stakeholder engagement.
3. Articulate multiple approaches to development as possible solutions to social and economic justice problems.

## REQUIRED COURSES

		UNITS
COMPLAN 001	Introduction to Community Economic Development	3
COMPLAN 002	Introduction to Community Organizing	3
COMPLAN 011	Professional Development Skills/Issues in Community Dev	3

## MAJOR ELECTIVES

Select 27 units from the following courses		UNITS
COMPLAN 003	Affordable Housing Development	3
COMPLAN 005	Sector Development and Employment Strategies	3
COMPLAN 006	Managing Non-Profit and Public Organizations	3
COMPLAN 007	Contemporary Issues and Strategies in Popular Education and Organizing	3
COMPLAN 009	Commercial Real Estate Development	3
COMPLAN 010	Comprehensive Community Violence Prevention	3
COMPLAN 012	Fundraising Basics for Nonprofit Organizations	1
COMPLAN 015	Introduction to the Community Development Industry & Careers	1
COMPLAN 017	Leadership Development and Skill Building	3
COMPLAN 022	Social Media for Organizing and Civic Engagement	2
COMPLAN 030	Market Research Tools for the Economic Development Process	3
COMPLAN 032	Community Building Principles and Strategies	1
COMPLAN 033	Community Engagement Principles and Strategies	1
COMPLAN 035	Health Leadership and Community Development	3
COMPLAN 036	Introduction to Community Based Research and Organizing Methods	3
COMPLAN 038	Developing Social Networks for Community Building	1
COMPLAN 040	Non-Profit Program Design and Development	2
COMPLAN 042	Sustaining Social Justice Campaign Victories and Organization	1
COMPLAN 065	Community-Based Health Policy Advocacy	3
COMPLAN 100	History of Community Development in Los Angeles	2
COMPLAN 101	History of Social Justice Movement Theory, Ideology and Practice in America	2
COMPLAN 102	Cultivating Consciousness: Reflection of the Self in Community as an Organizer	1
COMPLAN 105	International Models of Community Organizing	1
COMPLAN 106	Elections, Community, Power and Systems Reform in Community Development	1

COMPLAN 200	Strategic Planning & Management Training for Economic Development	3
COMPLAN 201	Financial Management Assistance for Small Business for Economic Development Professional	3
COMPLAN 202	Effective Human Resources Management for Small Business Assistance	3
COMPLAN 203	Marketing and Communications Planning for Community Organizations	3

#### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:

Select 3 units		UNITS
CAOT 082	Microcomputer Software Survey in the Office	3
CO INFO 701	Introduction to Computers and Their Uses	3
BUS 005	Business Law I	3
BUS 033	Technical Report Writing	3
-or- ENGLISH 028	Intermediate Reading and Composition (3)	
-or- ENGLISH 101	College Reading and Composition I (3)	

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### Certificate of Achievement Major Units: 21

A Certificate of Achievement in Community Planning and Economic Development may be earned by completing 21 units of Required Courses with a "C" or better in each course.

#### PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES (PLOs)

Upon completion of the **Certificate** program, students are able to:

1. Students will analyze and assess low-income community needs, assets and issues from a community planning and economic development industry lens.
2. Students will develop various types of industry approved project proposals to address community planning and economic development issues with solutions that include data analysis, identified targets, goals, objectives, timelines, expected outcomes and community stakeholder engagement.

Successful students will be able to apply a community organizing set of skills and tools that address multiple community and economic development issues. Students who complete the program become viable and competitive for employment opportunities. They will have developed their knowledge and skill base, practiced their learning through field work, internships or paid experience and have created networks and/or participated in collaborations that have maximized their knowledge with capacity to understand urgent issues and trends.

#### REQUIRED COURSES

##### DEVELOPMENT:

##### Select 18 units

		UNITS
COMPLAN 001	Introduction to Community Economic Development	3
COMPLAN 002	Introduction to Community Organizing	3
COMPLAN 003	Affordable Housing Development	3
COMPLAN 004 †	School Based Community Development Approaches	3
COMPLAN 006	Managing Non-Profit and Public Organizations	3
COMPLAN 007	Contemporary Issues and Strategies in Popular Education and Organizing	3
COMPLAN 009	Commercial Real Estate Development	3
COMPLAN 010	Comprehensive Community Violence Prevention	3
COMPLAN 011	Professional Development Skills/Issues in Community Dev	3
COMPLAN 032	Community Building Principles and Strategies	1
COMPLAN 033	Community Engagement Principles and Strategies	1
COMPLAN 035	Health Leadership and Community Development	3
COMPLAN 036	Introduction to Community Based Research and Organizing Methods	3

#### USEFUL LINKS

**College Catalog:** <http://college.lattc.edu/catalog/>

**Financial Aid Office:** <http://college.lattc.edu/financialaid/>

**Counseling Department:** <http://college.lattc.edu/counseling/>

**General Education Information:** <http://college.lattc.edu/catalog>

**Labor Studies Department:** <http://college.lattc.edu/laborcenter/>

You can register in these classes by logging on to the Student Information System at <http://college.lattc.edu/student/new-students/register-now/>

*For additional information consult a LATTC college counselor.*

† Course currently unavailable