

About The Canadian Institute of Planners (CIP)

The Canadian Institute of Planners (CIP) has been dedicated to the advancement of responsible planning throughout Canada since 1919. In its capacity as the national professional institute and certification body for the planning profession in Canada, the CIP has a mandate from its membership to:

- champion and lead progress and change in planning practice;
- act as the authoritative voice and the primary information and knowledge sharing network for planners;
- address issues of importance to the planning profession and/or the public interest;
- institute national standards for training, certification and best practices achieved through continued professional development of its membership; and
- deliver relevant and contemporary benefits and services to its members.

Working on behalf of planners and the planning profession, CIP serves as the national voice of Canada's planning community. More than half of the CIP's 5,800 members are government employees, mainly working for municipal/local planning offices.

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About The Institute of Urban Studies (IUS)

The Institute of Urban Studies (IUS) was created by the University of Winnipeg in 1969 at a time when the city's 'urban university' perceived a need to address the problems and concerns of the inner city. From the outset the Institute's primary mandate has been:

- to examine urban development issues in a broad context with a special emphasis on the inner city;
- to operate as a multiple-function centre that undertakes to encourage, facilitate and engage in multi-disciplinary research of an applied nature aimed at practical solutions to urban problems;
- to conduct public interest research as well as engage in contractual applied research for governments, community groups and the private sector;
- to promote and engage in formal and informal education (including workshops, conferences, seminars and academic courses); and,
- to function as a community resource and to maintain an active publications program.

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