Homeland Security and Emergency Management

B.S.E.M. Degree

In a post-9/11 environment, the challenges faced by emergency management and homeland security professionals have reached unprecedented levels. As we experience an increase in the frequency, complexity and severity of human-made, natural and technological disasters, ever-increasing demands have been placed on emergency professionals, and the skill sets required to succeed. Today, more so than ever before, the integration of federal, state, and local resources, communication and collaboration has become the norm. Issues concerning terrorism, cyber-security, critical infrastructure protection and management, risk, business continuity, fire, hazardous materials, law enforcement, public health and safety are no longer domains unto themselves. They are now part of the new fabric of this highly integrated and complex environment. As a result, the demands placed on our first responders and those charged with these individuals and organizations’ leadership and management roles have changed significantly.

The homeland security and emergency management program focuses on developing skills to lead and manage individuals and organizations in an increasingly complex environment. The program builds upon an individual’s technical capabilities derived from education, training and experience in fire, information technology, law enforcement, military, homeland security and emergency management or other related fields. This technical expertise is combined with a business administration curriculum, emergency management and homeland security-based instruction. This focus gives students the operations management knowledge to lead and manage individuals, departments or agencies daily and during times of crisis. The homeland security and emergency management degree is explicitly built to meet the needs of practitioners who provide administrative oversight, leadership or management roles within the homeland security and emergency management enterprise at the local, state, federal and international levels. The degree also provides those at the responder level the opportunity to further their education, increase their competitive advantage for promotion, and advance their operational understanding of today’s highly integrated emergency management and homeland security environment.

Minimum Requirements for Homeland Security and Emergency Management B.S.E.M. Degree: 120 credits

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