GMU/Schar School of Policy and Government - Master of Public Administration with a concentration in Emergency Management and Homeland Security

The concentration focuses on:
• Contemporary U.S. security concerns (homegrown and foreign inspired terrorism, immigration issues, transnational trends, etc.)
• Emergency planning and preparedness
• Disaster response and recovery
• Coordination of emergency response between federal, state, and local governments
• Terrorism, counterterrorism and counterinsurgency
• Structure of military, defense, intelligence and homeland security apparatuses
• National security law and U.S. Constitutional authorities
• Hazard mitigation
• The role of the media and public opinion in homeland security policy and decision-making
• Border security
• Cybersecurity
• Emerging issues in homeland security (such as the role of the military in homeland security, tensions between privacy and security and between transparency and secrecy in a democracy)

Required Courses:

Students pick four of the following courses* (12 credits):
PUAD 630 - Emergency Planning and Preparedness
PUAD 631 - Disaster Response Operations and Recovery
PUAD 633 - Hazard Mitigation Policy
PUAD 634 - Management of International Security
PUAD 635 - Emergency Preparedness: Interagency Communication and Coordination
PUAD 637 - Managing Homeland Security
PUAD 727 - Seminar in Risk Assessment and Decision Making
PUAD 731 - Homeland/Transportation Security Administration
PUAD 738 - Issues in International Security
PUAD 794 - Internship
PUAD 796 - Directed Readings and Research
PUBP 710 - Topics in Public Policy
PUBP 742 - Transportation Safety and Security
PUBP 754 - Geographic Information Systems and Spatial Analysis for Public Policy
PUBP 758 - Global Threats and Medical Policies
PUBP 794 - Internship
PUBP 796 - Directed Readings and Research
ITRN 702 - Policy: Study Abroad

*This is not an exhaustive list.

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