

North Dakota State University - Bachelor of Science Degree in Emergency Management

The emergency management major at NDSU prepares students for success as practitioners in emergency management as well as related fields. The rigor of the major also prepares students for graduate work. The major is ideally-suited for students seeking emergency management as a career of first choice. Student career success is built upon the following five program attributes:

1. Provide a broad educational foundation that supports graduates' entry into different settings where emergency management is practiced (e.g., government at all levels; businesses; schools and colleges; healthcare industry; non-profit organizations; humanitarian efforts; etc.);
2. Support evidence-based practice by exposing students to the rich research and science available;
3. Promote and foster experiential opportunities through focused class activities and required internships;
4. Develop skills necessary to the effective practice of emergency management (e.g., communication; collaboration; teamwork; leadership; critical thinking; problem-solving, etc.); and,
5. Support student professional development through faculty mentoring focused on familiarizing students with the roles of and opportunities to pursue training and experience and cultivate professional networks prior to graduation.

Numerous career opportunities are available to those graduating with an emergency management major. Positions are available at all levels of government including city, county, state, and federal. A wide variety of local, national, and international voluntary organizations routinely hire people educated in emergency management, and there is increasing emphasis on hiring individuals educated in emergency management in the private, business sector.

Recent program graduates found employment as a regional emergency planner, homeland security planner, business continuity specialist, hospital emergency manager, emergency manager with the National Guard, public health emergency preparedness coordinator, and disaster insurance adjuster, to name a few examples.

Major Requirements

EM Core Courses (27 credits)

- EMGT 101: Emergencies, Disasters & Catastrophes - 3 credit(s)
- EMGT 261: Disaster Preparedness - 3 credit(s)
- EMGT 262: Disaster Mitigation - 3 credit(s)
- EMGT 263: Disaster Response - 3 credit(s)
- EMGT 264: Disaster Recovery - 3 credit(s)
- EMGT 291: Career & Professional Development - 3 credit(s)
- EMGT 410: Comprehensive Emergency Management Planning (capstone) - 3 credit(s)
- EMGT 496: Emergency Management Internship - 6 credit(s)

EM Electives (15 credits)

- EMGT 150: Understanding Terrorism, Cybersecurity, and Other Emerging Threats - 3 credit(s)
- EMGT 420: Hazard, Risk, and Vulnerability Assess. - 3 credit(s)
- EMGT 425: World Disasters - 3 credit(s)
- EMGT 435: Issues in Homeland Security & Emergency Management - 3 credit(s)
- EMGT 445: Understanding Vulnerable Populations in Disasters - 3 credit(s)

EMGT 461: Business Continuity & Crisis Management - 3 credit(s)
EMGT 463: Voluntary Agency Disaster Services - 3 credit(s)
EMGT 481: Disaster Analysis - 3 credit(s)
EMGT 491: Seminar (Various Topics) - 3 credit(s)

NDSU is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

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