Pennsylvania College of Technology – Bachelor of Science in Emergency Management Technology

The Emergency Management Technology major prepares students for careers in the emergency management or other closely related field. The curriculum provides students with a comprehensive understanding of the Four Phases of Emergency Management; National Incident Management System (NIMS); governmental roles and levels of responsibility; evolution of emergency management from colonial America to present; an understanding of man-made, natural, and technological hazards as they pertain to community vulnerability; current and emerging technological trends in emergency management; and the requisite skills of an effective emergency manager.

Understanding the multidisciplinary nature of this field and the need for emergency managers to engage their partners across all levels of government and the community is a foundational characteristic of this degree program that will shape students careers. In this major, students will complete a general core of math, science, humanities, computer science, and communications courses. This liberal arts core reflect an appreciation that strong written and oral communication skills are critical to emergency management practitioners. In addition, students will gain valuable hands-on experience through an internship which recognizes that exposing students to practical experience is equally as important as instruction and theoretical knowledge in this field.

**Required Core Courses**

- BEM-101: Introduction to Emergency Management
- BEM-103: History and Evolution of Emergency Management
- BEM-201: Incident Command System Operations
- BEM-202: Emergencies, Disasters, and Catastrophes
- BEM-210: Disaster Preparation and Planning
- BEM-221: Crisis Communication
- BEM-230: Disaster Recovery
- BEM-250: Spatial Analysis in Emergency Management
- BEM-265: Social/Psychological Foundations of Emergency Management
- BEM-311: Technological Elements of Emergency Management
- BEM-450: Emergency Management Internship
- BEM-495: Emergency Management Capstone
- BEM: Directed Electives
- BEM-105: Introduction to Healthcare System Preparedness
- BEM-420: Contemporary Issues in Emergency Management

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