

Pierce College – Associates of Arts Degree in Technology (AA-DTA) - Homeland Security Emergency Management

Pierce College of Washington's HSEM Program was designed and is led by nationally recognized academic/practitioner-graduates of FEMA's National Emergency Management Advanced Academy (NEMAA). It offers students a balance of professional, technical, and theoretical courses and is designed to build the next generation of emergency management professionals.

Pierce College is consistently recognized as one of the nation's top military-friendly colleges and universities, with a student population of approximately 20,000 attending classes over three State of Washington campuses and its extensive online portal.

This online program includes interactive instruction in policy as well as planning and operational components of emergency management and homeland security.

The Pierce College HSEM Associates Degree includes a three (3) course option for a Specialized Concentration, including Criminal Justice, Project Management, Social and Cultural Impacts, Native American Studies, or Occupational Health and Safety. Specialized Concentrations may be developed with the Program Director.

The curriculum provides policy foundations and advances students through core competencies in hazard identification; risk and vulnerability assessment; planning, terrorism awareness; protection, prevention, response, recovery and mitigation. The degree will prepare students with the competencies to work in an all-hazards preparedness environment, including an understanding of the implications of disasters on individuals, families and communities.

Pierce College's HSEM Program is building tomorrow's leaders and contributing to the evolution of emergency management.

HSEM Core Requirements: 42 Credits

HSEM 102	Introduction to Homeland Security Emergency Management – 5 Credits
HSEM 110	Basic Incident Command System/National Incident Management System – 2 Credits
HSEM 120	All Hazards Emergency Planning – 3 Credits
HSEM 130	Technology in Emergency Management – 3 Credits
HSEM 157	Public Information Officer – 2 Credits
HSEM 160	Emergency Response Awareness to Terrorism – 5 Credits
HSEM 180	Public Administration – 3 Credits
HSEM 190	Special Topics in Homeland Security Emergency Management – 3 Credits
HSEM 200	Emergency Operations Center – 2 Credits
HSEM 210	Exercise Design and Evaluation – 3 Credits
HSEM 220	Developing and Managing Volunteer Resources – 2 Credits
HSEM 230	Disaster Response and Recovery – 2 Credits
HSEM 240	HSEM Work-based Learning – 5 Credits
HSEM 250	Homeland Security Law and Ethics – 3 Credits

HSEM Electives: 15 Credits

General Education:

English – 10 Credits

Math – 5 Credits

Social Sciences – 10 Credits

Humanities – 5 Credits

Natural Sciences – 10 Credits

Internship is required.

Pierce College is accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities.

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