University of Nebraska at Omaha – Bachelor of Science in Emergency Management

The University of Nebraska at Omaha offers a Bachelor of Science in Emergency Management, on campus and online. The 120 credit hour program is interdisciplinary in nature with core coursework focusing on emergency services and management as well as the opportunity to focus on two additional areas of concentration selected from 16 professional options. The program is intended to academically prepare students for employment in the public sector at the local, state, or federal level of government in numerous agencies, as well as certain nonprofit and private companies performing risk management, preparedness planning, and continuity of operations. Students will gain a thorough understanding of interagency cooperation, coordination, and communication as well as administrative issues involving policies and procedures, labor relations, and fiscal matters. Minors in Emergency Management, Fire Service Management, and Tribal Management and Emergency Services are also available. An undergraduate certificate in Tribal Management and Emergency Services is also available.

University General Education Requirements

English (9 hours)
Quantitative Literacy (3 hours)
Public Speaking (3 hours)
Humanities/Fine Arts (9 hours)
Social Sciences (9 hours)
Natural and Physical Sciences (7 hours)
Cultural Diversity Courses (6 hours – may be used to meet Humanities and Social Science requirements)

Core Requirements (30 hours)

EMGT 1000 Introduction to Emergency Management
EMGT 2050 Political and Legal Foundations in Emergency Services
PA 2170 Introduction to Public Administration
PA/CRCJ 3000 Applied Statistics and Data Processing in the Public Sector
EMGT 3040 Preparedness Planning and Risk Mitigation
EMGT 3080 Agency Collaboration During Disasters
EMGT 4060 Disaster Response and Recovery
EMGT 4200 Internship in Emergency Management
EMGT 4990 Capstone

Concentration Areas (Choose two 15-hour concentration areas)

Aviation Administration*
Criminology and Criminal Justice*
Fire Service Management*
Geospatial Science
Gerontology*
Information Technology and Communication*
Intelligence and Security*
Logistics Management
Natural Disasters
Nonprofit Management*
Planning and Preparing for Urban Hazards
Private Sector Management
Public Administration and Management*
Public Health
Tribal Management and Emergency Services*
Unmanned Aircraft Systems
*Indicates concentrations available online

120 credit hours are required to graduate

The University of Nebraska at Omaha is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission.

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