Program Description

The emergency preparedness management program is designed to provide students with a broad education in emergency management. The program focuses on a multidisciplinary approach to preparedness and the skills needed to organize and lead emergency management operations, and prepares students to perform in a disaster by providing the necessary skills for mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery. The curriculum is designed to provide students with a foundation of technical and professional knowledge needed for emergency services delivery in the fields of public service-including law enforcement, fire service, and emergency medical services, along with students wishing to study in this field for careers in emergency management.

Program Outcomes

Upon completion of this program a student will be able to:

• Develop and evaluate an emergency operations plan based on data provided on a hypothetical jurisdiction.
• Determine hazards and develop risk assessment programs in local communities.
• Develop and implement short and long term recovery concepts into all areas of the community, using an all hazard approach.
• Analyze organizational behavior problems as they apply to emergency operations.
• Analyze the roles, responsibilities, and authorities of the various organizations responding to emergency incidents.
• Demonstrate knowledge of the activities that should happen in each phase of a disaster.
Suggested Course Sequence
A suggested course sequence for full-time students follows. All students should review this advising guide and consult an advisor.

First Semester
ENGL 101 - Introduction to College Writing 3 semester hours *
EMGT 101 - Principles of Emergency Management 3 semester hours
EMGT 103 - Emergency Response and Recovery 3 semester hours
PSYC 102 - General Psychology 3 semester hours (BSSD)
LIBR 110 - Fundamentals of Library Research 1 semester hour

Third Semester
AOSC 105 - Meteorology: An Introduction to Weather 4 semester hours (NSLD)
EMGT 105 - Hazard Mitigation and Preparedness 3 semester hours
EMGT 106 - Technology in Emergency Management 3 semester hours
Arts Distribution 3 semester hours (ARTD)‡
Behavioral and Social Sciences Distribution 3 semester hours (BSSD)‡

Second Semester
English Foundation 3 semester hours (ENGF)
Mathematics Foundation 3 semester hours (MATF)
COMM 108 - Foundations of Human Communication 3 semester hours (GEEL)
OR
COMM 112 - Business and Professional Speech Communication 3 semester hours (GEEL)
EMGT 104 - Incident Management System and EOC Interface 3 semester hours
EMGT 200 - Emergency Planning 3 semester hours

Fourth Semester
BIOL 105 - Environmental Biology 3 semester hours (NSLD)
AND
BIOL 106 - Environmental Biology Laboratory 1 semester hour (NSLD)
EMGT 240 - Capstone Emergency Management 3 semester hours
HLTH 220 - Emergency Medical Responder 3 semester hours
Humanities Distribution (200 Level History) 3 semester hours (HUMD)‡
EMGT or HMLS Elective (Must Be at 200 Level) 3 semester hours

Total Credit Hours: 60
* ENGL 101/ENGL 101A, if needed for ENGL 102/ENGL 103, or elective.
‡ Students must choose a course from BSSD, Arts or Humanities (HIST) to meet the Global/Cultural Perspectives Requirement.