

BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE MAJOR: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY AND PLANNING OPTION (A.S.)

<https://cps.unh.edu/online/program/as/behavioral-science-emergency-management-strategy-planning-option>

Description

The Associate in Science in Behavioral Science provides an interdisciplinary approach to understanding human behavior within a global world view. Foundation courses at an associate level introduce behavioral science students to the biological, psychological, social, and cultural variables of human behavior. This degree prepares students for a smooth transition to the B.S. in Applied Psychology, Health & Wellness, Human Services, or Criminal Justice. Emergency management strategy and planning involves multidimensional efforts to reduce our vulnerability to natural and human-caused disasters, to diminish the impact of disasters, and to prepare for, respond to, and recover from disasters. This option introduces students to emergency management approaches in order to develop skills and knowledge relating to emergency management strategy and policy development.

Requirements

Degree Requirements

Minimum Credit Requirement: 60 credits

Minimum Residency Requirement: 16 credits must be taken at UNH

Minimum GPA: 2.0 required for conferral*

Core Curriculum Required: General Education Program

Major, Option, and Elective Requirements as indicated.

*Major GPA requirements as indicated.

General Education Program Requirements

A minimum grade of D- is required in all General Education coursework. Students are allowed a maximum of one course overlap between the Major and General Education areas.

Code	Title	Credits
ENG 420	The Writing Process	4
COM 460	Interpersonal Communication and Group Dynamics	4
COM 480	Visual Communication	4
CRIT 501	Introduction to Critical Inquiry	4
Select one of the following:		4
MTH 402	Math for Our World	
MTH 504	Statistics	
MTH 510	Pre-Calculus	
Knowledge of Human Behavior & Social Systems		4
Knowledge of the Physical & Natural World		4
Knowledge of Human Thought & Expression		4
Total Credits		32

Major Requirements

A minimum grade of C- is required in all Major and Option coursework. Students are allowed a maximum of one course overlap between the Major/Option and General Education areas.

Code	Title	Credits
Major in Behavioral Science		
PSY 410	Introduction to Psychology	4
PSY 525	Human Development	4
SOCI 410	Introduction to Sociology	4
Option in Emergency Management Strategy and Planning		
BEHS 445	Homeland Security and Emergency Management	4
BEHS 510	National Incident Management Systems (NIMS)	4
BEHS 610	Community Emergency Response	4
Total Credits		24

Electives

Open electives are courses students will need to take in addition to their general education and major requirements in order to satisfy the remaining credit totals for their programs. Open electives are defined as any credit course offered by the College not already included in the student's general education, major, concentration or minor. Students will need 60 credits total to graduate with an associate degree.

Degree Plan

This degree plan is a sample and does not reflect the impact of transfer credit or current course offerings. UNH CPS Online undergraduate students should develop individual academic plans with their academic advisor during their first year at UNH.

Sample Course Sequence

First Year

Fall		Credits
COM 460	Interpersonal Communication and Group Dynamics	4
ENG 420	The Writing Process	4
PSY 410	Introduction to Psychology	4
SOCI 410	Introduction to Sociology	4
Credits		16

Spring

CRIT 501	Introduction to Critical Inquiry	4
Select one of the following:		4
MTH 402	Math for Our World	
MTH 504	Statistics	
MTH 510	Pre-Calculus	
PSY 525	Human Development	4
General Education Course		4
Credits		16

Second Year

Fall		
BEHS 445	Homeland Security and Emergency Management	4
BEHS 510	National Incident Management Systems (NIMS)	4
COM 480	Visual Communication	4

General Education Course	4
Credits	16
Spring	
BEHS 610 Community Emergency Response	4
General Education Course	4
Elective	4
Credits	12
Total Credits	60

Student Learning Outcomes

- Attain proficiency in the basic concepts, theories, and methods of inquiry in behavioral sciences, specifically, in critical infrastructure protection, regional and national security intelligence, and land and maritime border protection within the field of emergency management.
- Evaluate ethical principles of the behavioral sciences, specifically within human behavior, systems, intelligence analysis, and the use of new technologies in emergency management.
- Prepare for seamless transition to the Bachelor of Science in Applied Psychology, Health & Wellness, Human Services, or Criminal Justice.