

DISASTER AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (GRADUATE CERTIFICATE)

Graduate Certificate Program

Program Code: GRCT-AS

Major Code: DEM

Political Science and Public Administration Department

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The Advanced Certificate in Disaster and Emergency Management is a fully online program that covers theory, legal structure, local, state, and federal doctrine, planning, and practice of disaster and emergency management. The program is designed to provide individuals with the conceptual and technical knowledge needed for positions related to disaster and emergency management in public agencies, nonprofit organizations, private businesses, or international humanitarian agencies.

The program totals 15 credit hours that includes four core courses (12 credit hours) and one elective (3 credit hours). Transfer credit may be given for the one elective course.

Admission Requirements

Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 (4.0 scale) or graduate level course credits with a minimum GPA of 3.0 (4.0 scale). Exceptions will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis, which may include an interview.

In addition, all applicants should review the Admission to a Graduate Program section in Buffalo State's Graduate Catalog (<https://ecatalog.buffalostate.edu/graduate/>).

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Required Course (12 credit hours)		
PAD 505	INTRODUCTION TO DISASTER AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	3
PAD 606	DISASTER RESPONSE AND RECOVERY MANAGEMENT	3
PAD 608	INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS	3
PAD 609	DISASTER AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLANNING	3
Electives (3 credit hours)		3

PAD 500	PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND POLICY
PAD 502	ADMINISTRATIVE LAW
ECO 524	APPLIED ECONOMETRICS
GEG 525	FUNDAMENTALS OF GIS
PAD 646	STRATEGIC PLANNING FOR PUBLIC AND NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS
PAD 647	THE NONPROFIT AND VOLUNTARY SECTOR
PAD 648	NONPROFIT GRANTS MANAGEMENT AND FUND DEVELOPMENT
PAD 688	LEADERSHIP IN PUBLIC AND NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS
PAD 701	ADMINISTRATIVE ETHICS
PAD 712	MANAGING PROGRAM EVALUATION
Total Credit Hours	
	15