



Disaster and Emergency Management, Advanced Certificate Program

This program provides students with an advanced course of graduate study concentrating on the conceptual, technical, and professional education and skills required for administrative and leadership positions in disaster and emergency management organizations.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Advanced Certificate in Disaster and Emergency Management 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.

If a student that completes this program wishes to continue their education to earn a Masters of Public Administration (MPA) at SUNY Buffalo State, *all* course credits completed in this graduate certificate program, where the student earns a grade of C or better, may be used toward to the completion of the MPA degree.

Learn more on the program's website: <https://politicalscience.buffalostate.edu/advanced-certificate-disaster-emergency-management>

COURSEWORK

Required Courses (12 credit hours)

- PAD 505** - Introduction to Disaster & Emergency Management
- PAD 606** - Disaster Response & Recovery Management
- PAD 608** - Intergovernmental Relations
- PAD 609** - Disaster & Emergency Management Planning

Elective Course (3 credit hours) from the following list or other graduate level course approved by the program coordinator:

- PAD 500** - Introduction to Public Administration & Policy
- PAD 502** - Administrative Law
- ECO 524** - Applied Econometrics
- GEG 525** - Fundamentals of GIS
- PAD 646** - Strategic Planning for Public & Nonprofit Org
- PAD 647** - The Nonprofit & Voluntary Sector
- PAD 648** - Grants
- PAD 688** - Leadership in Public & Nonprofit Organizations
- PAD 701** - Administrative Ethics
- PAD 712** - Program Evaluation

APPLY

To apply online for the Advanced Certificate in Disaster and Emergency Management, please visit graduateschool.buffalostate.edu/apply.

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