

# Emergency Management (Graduate Certificate)

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Interested in turning your passion for public service into a career in emergency management? Complement your existing skills and education with this graduate certificate, and get a head start on an advanced degree while determining the best path for you.

## Program description

### **Degree awarded: Certificate Emergency Management (Certificate)**

The graduate certificate program in emergency management provides students with the skills and knowledge to manage and assume positions of leadership in government, private, nonprofit and civic roles within the field of emergency management. An orientation on all-hazards and all-threats paired with a focus on community resilience and communication provides students with a generalist perspective, which is critically important for the disaster managers of today and tomorrow.

This certificate program may be of interest to students in disciplines such as public policy, planning, political science, nonprofit management, social work, criminology and other related fields.

## At a glance

- **College/School:** [Watts College of Public Service & Community Solut](#)
- **Location:** [Downtown Phoenix](#) or [Online](#)

## Degree requirements

15 credit hours

**Required Core (9 credit hours)**

PAF 520 Public Management (3)

PAF 552 Integrated Emergency Management (3)

PAF 555 Information Technology in Emergency Management (3)

**Electives (6 credit hours)****Additional Curriculum Information**

For electives, students should see the academic unit for an approved course list. Other coursework may be used with the approval of the academic unit.

## **Admission requirements**

Applicants must fulfill the requirements of both the Graduate College and the Watts College of Public Service and Community Solutions.

Applicants are eligible to apply to the program if they have earned a bachelor's or master's degree in any field from a regionally accredited institution.

Applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in the last 60 hours of their first bachelor's degree program, or applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in an applicable master's degree program.

All applicants must submit:

1. graduate admission application and application fee
2. official transcripts
3. a statement of career and educational goals
4. proof of English proficiency

**Additional Application Information**

An applicant whose native language is not English must provide proof of English proficiency regardless of their current residency.

International students who need an F1 or J1 visa first need to apply to and be accepted into a graduate degree program prior to being considered for the certificate program. International students who reside in the U.S. on other types of visas must adhere to all Graduate College policies and procedures regarding admission to be considered for admission to this certificate program.

The program is ideal for students from related fields, including political science, planning, urban and metropolitan studies, sociology and other social science degrees; however, applicants from all educational backgrounds may be accepted provided they meet the minimum requirements. Current ASU graduate students are eligible for the certificate as a supplement to their existing degree program. In addition, students not enrolled in a graduate program at ASU are eligible to apply as nondegree-seeking students

provided they meet the admission criteria stated above. However, MPA students in the emergency management concentration are not eligible for admission.

Students should see the program website for application deadlines.

## **Tuition information**

When it comes to paying for higher education, everyone's situation is different. Students can learn about [ASU tuition and financial aid](#) options to find out which will work best for them.

## **Attend online**

### **ASU Online**

ASU offers this program in an online format with multiple enrollment sessions throughout the year. Applicants may [view the program's ASU Online page](#) for program descriptions and to request more information.

## **Program learning outcomes**

Program learning outcomes identify what a student will learn or be able to do upon completion of their program. This program has the following program outcomes:

- Demonstrate expertise in comprehensive hazards governance.
- Demonstrate expertise in community resilience capacity-building practices.

## **Career opportunities**

Students who complete this certificate are prepared to pursue a career in a field related to public administration or public policy, particularly in the areas of participatory governance and public engagement. This may include opportunities as either a manager or policy analyst in local, state or federal agencies; nonprofit organizations; and private organizations that interface with the public sector.

## **Contact information**

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