

SAFETY, SECURITY, AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, MASTER OF SCIENCE (M.S.)

GENERAL INFORMATION

The School of Safety, Security, and Emergency Management offers the Master of Science degree in Safety, Security, and Emergency Management. The M.S. degree program is designed to provide students with a broad background in safety, security, and emergency management, in addition to the option for more in-depth knowledge of at least one area of Occupational Safety, Cyber and Security Management, Emergency Management, and Disaster Resilience, Healthcare Safety, Construction Safety, Safety Leadership and Management, and Supply Chain Safety and Security. The program is directed to preparing students for responsible careers in safety, security, and emergency management. Students are prepared to draw logically sound conclusions, to think creatively, to communicate effectively, and to appreciate the role and responsibilities of the safety, security, and emergency management administration/professionals.

The objectives of the graduate Safety, Security, and Emergency Management program are:

1. To provide a broad-based program that affords the depth of education, the specialized skills, and the sense of creativity that will allow the graduate to practice in and contribute to the field of safety, security, and emergency management.
2. To provide an avenue for a highly mobile and marketable career to individuals wishing to pursue graduate education in the Safety, Security and Emergency Management discipline.
3. To add to the body of knowledge through scholarly activity, research, and advanced professional training.
4. To provide safety, security, and emergency management practitioners with leadership skills needed for the planning and delivery of loss prevention and safety services at the state, regional, and national levels.

Online Learning Option - The Master of Science degree in Safety, Security and Emergency Management is offered online.

Admission Requirements

Students seeking clear admission should hold a baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution of higher learning with a 2.5 grade point average overall. Students with an undergraduate grade point below 2.5 may be considered for Probationary Admission but are required to sit for the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) and acquire a target score in three categories: Verbal 149, Quantitative 141 and Analytical Writing 3.0. Students who have previously earned advanced degrees including, but not limited to M.S., M.A., M.B.A., J.D. or other recognized graduate degrees from an accredited university will be exempt from the GRE requirement.

Applicants without an academic and/or experiential background in a related discipline or field of study including, but not limited to: occupational safety, security, fire, homeland security, emergency management, emergency medical, insurance, and risk management

may be accepted into the program with departmental approval. When deficiencies are deemed to exist, applicants may be required to satisfy all designated deficiencies prior to admission to candidacy. Students must also meet general requirements of the ECU Graduate School.

Program Requirements

CIP Code: 43.9999

Code	Title	Hours
Core Courses		
SSE 815	SSE Administration	3
SSE 826	Emergency Prep/Response	3
SSE 827	Issues in Security Management	3
SSE 833	Legislation & Regulatory Comp	3
SSE 865	SSE Auditing	3
SSE 880	SSE Research/Planning	3
<i>General Electives</i>		12
Select 12 hours of 800-level SSE or HLS coursework. Courses completed for one or more University Certificates may satisfy the General Electives requirement		
Exit Requirements		
Choose from one of the following:		6
<i>Comprehensive Examination</i>		
Choose from six hours of 800-level SSE/HLS electives		
GRD 897C	MS SSEM Written Comp Exam	
<i>Capstone Applied Research Project</i>		
Choose from three hours of 800-level SSE/HLS service		
SSE 896	SSEM Capstone	
Total Hours		36