The Homeland Security Certificate is designed to educate students using an all-hazards emergency management model and is meant to prepare future public administration professionals to cope with all natural, accidental and man-made hazards. Upon successful completion of this program, students will:

- Demonstrate an understanding of mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery strategies for a broad range of natural hazards, technological hazards, and terrorism.
- Design and modify plans and programs at federal, state, and/or local levels to reflect the evolving strategic policy issues associated with a statutory and presidential direction for homeland security.
- Analyze terrorist groups’ proclivities in order to forecast the risks, types, and orders of magnitude of terrorist threats most likely to confront the nation-state, our state and our region.
- Develop policies, procedures, and protocols to allow seamless agency integration from prevention to incident response and recovery scenarios.
- Recognize the multidisciplinary nature of homeland security functions and be able to assess and integrate various functional areas.

Students who elect to obtain the Homeland Security Certificate will take the following core classes (6 sem. hrs)

- PADM 5301 - Theory and Practice of Public Administration^ 3 sem. hrs.
- PADM 5302 - Policy Making and Public Administration^ 3 sem. hrs.

In addition to two core classes, students must also take three courses (9 semester hours) from any of the courses listed below:

- CRIJ 5351 - Seminar in Criminal Justice Management 3 sem. hrs.
- CRIJ 5380 - Issues in Justice Administration 3 sem. hrs.
- CRIJ 5396 - Individual Study 3 sem. hrs.
- PADM 5332 - Resource Development for Non-profit Organizations 3 sem. hrs.
- PADM 5335 - Program Evaluation 3 sem. hrs.
- PADM 5381 - Modern Terrorism and Counter Terrorism* 3 sem. hrs.
- PADM 5382 - Emergency Management and Disaster Planning Practicum* 3 sem. hrs.
- PADM 5399 - Internship* 3 sem. hrs.
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