

GLOBAL HEALTH AND SECURITY GRADUATE CERTIFICATE

Banner Code: PP-CERG-GHS

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The Schar School of Policy and Government offers certificate programs in conjunction with its master's programs. The certificate in global health and security provides an introduction to the intersection of global public health and security, covering topics such as emerging infectious diseases, biosurveillance, the development of vaccines, and emergency response to public health disasters. Students already pursuing a master's degree in the school may, in most cases, after admission to a certificate program, earn an additional six credits (two courses) in Schar to receive a certificate in addition to the master's degree.

The graduate certificate in global health and security may be pursued on a part-time or full-time basis.

Admissions & Policies

Admissions

Applicants to all graduate programs must meet the admission standards and application requirements for graduate study as specified in the Graduate Admission Policies (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/admissions/graduate-policies/>) section of this catalog. Participants must be admitted to a certificate program. Admission requirements are the same as those for the master's programs and may be found on the Schar admissions web site (<http://spgia.gmu.edu/admissions/>).

Policies

For policies governing all graduate certificates, see AP6.8 Requirements for Graduate Certificates (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/graduate-policies/#ap-6-8>).

Termination from Program

Students admitted to a Schar program will be terminated from the program upon receiving one grade of F and are no longer eligible to take courses in the school. Per university regulation, students are terminated from the university after accumulating grades of F in two courses or 9 credits of unsatisfactory grades in graduate courses. See the Academic Policies (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/>) section of the catalog for additional policies pertaining to graduate students.

Requirements

Certificate Requirements

Total credits: 15

This certificate may be pursued on a full-or part-time basis.

Required Courses

Code	Title	Credits
BIOD 620	Global Health Security Policy	3
GCH 543	Global Health	3
Total Credits		6

Electives

Code	Title	Credits
Select three (9 credits) from the following:		9
COMM 620	Health Communication	
GCH 560	Environmental Health	
GCH 640	Global Infectious Diseases	
GCH 645	U.S. and Global Public Health Systems	
GCH 712	Introduction to Epidemiology	
GCH 726	Advanced Methods in Epidemiology I	
GCH 772	Social Epidemiology	
PUAD 630	Emergency Planning and Preparedness	
PUAD 631	Disaster Response Operations and Recovery	
Other course with prior written approval of program director		
Total Credits		9