The Certificate in Homeland Security

THE BUSH SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC SERVICE
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
“It is my belief that terrorism aimed at the US and her citizens is not going away, and we as a nation must learn how to address our risks and vulnerabilities in every sector of our livelihoods wisely.”

KARIN KNOLLE

CERTIFICATE IN HOMELAND SECURITY

“...The Bush School’s Certificate in Homeland Security has set the gold standard for an in-depth, integrated curriculum taught by experts well-grounded in both theory and practical applications. This is the only graduate program in homeland security that I endorse.”

RANDALL J. LARSEN
Director
The Institute for Homeland Security

Choose 15 credit hours from our online program.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- 15 hours of official Texas A&M University graduate course credit
- Homeland security strategy and policy focus, which complements first responder programs
- Flexible format with no residency requirement
- Real-world consulting projects and other highly interactive courses
- Nationally and internationally acclaimed faculty
- Computer helpdesk and other technical support
- Worldwide accessibility, with no need to visit the Texas A&M campus
- Accreditation by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools

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The CHLS program consists of 15 graduate credit hours (5 courses):
• A fundamentals course (3 credit hours)
• Three elective courses (3 credit hours each, 9 credit hours total)
• An independent research capstone project (3 credit hours)

CORE CURRICULUM
There are two required core courses. The first course provides students with the general knowledge and analytical skills needed to understand the complexities of homeland security strategy and policy planning. The second course, taken at the end of the program, allows students to work one-on-one with a professor as s/he develops a special in-depth report or product related to homeland security.

SAMPLE ELECTIVES INCLUDE:
• Terrorism in Today's World
• Homeland Security and Government
• WMD Response & Recovery
• Cyber Security
• Critical Infrastructure Protection
• Homeland Security and Business
• Homeland Security and the Department of Defense
• Emergency Management and Homeland Security Policy
• And many more (see our website)

CURRICULUM ENHANCEMENT
In addition to their coursework, students may participate in hour-long learning laboratories, which may include FEMA certification courses and other relevant lectures/discussions with prominent homeland security officials and educators.

KNOWLEDGEABLE AND EXPERIENCED FACULTY
The Bush School's reputation for high-quality instruction is based on the diverse and extensive experience of its faculty. Nationally recognized faculty and experts with professional experience in the field of homeland security teach in the certificate program.

“[...] has helped me to better facilitate dialogue in the emergency response community and has been a valuable tool as a manager in a homeland security training program.”

BRANDON W. GRAHAM

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http://bush.tamu.edu/chls/faq
The Certificate in Homeland Security program offers an excellent graduate-level experience to a broad variety of students. By itself, the certificate will make your resume stand out; applied toward a graduate program, this certificate may shorten the time required for an advanced degree.

ADVANCE YOUR CAREER
After completing the Certificate in Homeland Security program, students may choose from a wide variety of fields. The school provides resources for our students which are specially designed to make homeland security employment opportunities in the public, private and nonprofit sectors more accessible. In addition, students are uniquely able to tackle homeland security problems from a strategy and policy perspective, and this dimension stands out on their resume.

COMMENCE YOUR GRADUATE EDUCATION
The certificate program offers official Texas A&M University graduate-level course credit, providing students the opportunity to complete graduate coursework in a flexible environment. This coursework may be applicable to your Bush School master’s degree, thus quickly advancing your graduate education.

ENHANCE YOUR KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES
From online discussion groups to speakers and seminars, certificate students benefit from access to all the online resources of the Bush School and Texas A&M University. The possibilities for professional growth are endless!

“The CHLS program has helped to set me apart to potential employers, providing me with planning and policy perspectives that can't be found anywhere else.”

RUSSELL RODRIGUEZ
ADMISSION INFORMATION

ADMISSIONS

Admission to the Texas A&M University Bush School certificate programs is competitive. Successful applicants demonstrate strong academic capacity, a potential for leadership, and a commitment to serve others. The Bush School seeks diversity in both professional background and academic degrees and recruits students both nationally and internationally.

APPLY AT
http://bush.tamu.edu/chls/application

USEFUL LINKS

Texas A&M University  http://www.tamu.edu
Integrative Center for Homeland Security  http://homelandsecurity.tamu.edu
Financial Aid  http://financialaid.tamu.edu

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