

GLOBAL HEALTH AND SECURITY GRADUATE CERTIFICATE

Banner Code: PP-CERG-GHS

Academic Advising

560 Founders Hall
Arlington Campus

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Fairfax Campus

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 SPGIA 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 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 AP.6.8 Requirements for Graduate Certificates.

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 section of the catalog for additional policies pertaining to graduate students.

Requirements

Certificate Requirements

Total credits: 15

Required Courses

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

Electives

Select three (9 credits) from the following: 9

COMM 620	Health Communication
GCH 560	Environmental Health
GCH 602	Global Health Issues Related to Violence
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
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