

# TERRORISM AND HOMELAND SECURITY GRADUATE CERTIFICATE

**Banner Code:** PP-CERG-TRHS

## Academic Advising

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Arlington Campus

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Fairfax Campus

Website: [schar.gmu.edu](http://schar.gmu.edu)

The Schar School offers certificate programs in conjunction with its master's programs. 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 certificate in terrorism and homeland security is an interdisciplinary introduction to the phenomenon of modern terrorism and its implications for US domestic and foreign policy. It focuses on multidisciplinary analysis and holistic cross-sectorial approaches to long-term prevention of and response to terrorism.

The graduate certificate may only be pursued on a part-time basis.

## Admissions & Policies

### Admissions

Applicants to all graduate programs must meet the admission standards and application requirements for graduate study as specified in Graduate Admission Policies (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/admissions/graduate-policies/>). 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 website (<http://schar.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 that 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. For policies governing all graduate degrees, see Graduate Policies (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/graduate-policies/>).

## Requirements

### Certificate Requirements

Total credits: 15

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

### Required Courses

Code	Title	Credits
BIOD 722	Examining Terrorist Groups	3
BIOD 725	Terrorism and Weapons of Mass Destruction	3
Total Credits		6

### Electives Related to Terrorism Analysis or Response

Code	Title	Credits
Select three electives from the following:		9
BIOD 609	Biodefense Strategy	
BIOD 610	Advanced Topics in Global Health Security	
BIOD 705	Intelligence: Theory and Practice	
BIOD 706	Nuclear, Biological, and Chemical Weapons Policy and Security	
BIOD 709	Nonproliferation and Arms Control	
BIOD 726	Food Security	
GOVT 744	Foundations of Security Studies	
GOVT 745	International Security	
GOVT 746		
GOVT 758	Homeland/Transportation Security Administration	
PUAD 630	Emergency Planning and Preparedness	
PUAD 631	Disaster Response Operations and Recovery	
PUAD 633	Hazard Mitigation Policy	
PUAD 635	Emergency Preparedness: Interagency Communication and Coordination	
PUAD 637	Managing Homeland Security	
PUAD 731	Homeland/Transportation Security Administration	
PUBP 742	Transportation Safety and Security	
PUBP 763	Illicit Trade	
PUBP 764	Transnational Crime and Corruption	
PUBP 777	Critical Infrastructure Protection: Policy and Practice	
CONF 501	Introduction to Conflict Analysis and Resolution	
GG5 590	Selected Topics in Geography <sup>1</sup>	
POGO 750	Topics in Policy and Government	
Other course with prior written approval of the advisor		
Total Credits		9

<sup>1</sup> Only when topic is Geography of Terrorism and Homeland Security.