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. 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 AP.6.8 Requirements for Graduate Certificates.

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.

Requirements

Certificate Requirements

Total credits: 15

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