

Bachelor of Science in

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Come Back Stronger, Ready to Lead in Challenging Times

This is your time. Your moment. Earn your bachelor's degree and gain the emergency services and disaster management expertise to pursue leadership positions in this important field. You'll gain practical knowledge and skills in disaster planning, disaster response, technology, human resource management, and fiscal responsibility. You'll also build strong planning and decision-making capabilities. Be prepared for whatever comes next for our world, your career, and your life.



Why Study Emergency Management at Purdue Global?

Built for Working Adults

Complete courses online, without compromising your work or family schedule.

Backed by the Power of Purdue

Earn a degree you can be proud of — and one that employers will respect. Achieve more in the emergency management field with a name that opens doors in your career.

Your Experience Counts as College Credit

It's time to get the recognition you deserve. Transfer up to 75% of your bachelor's degree requirements to graduate sooner and save on tuition.¹

Affordable Tuition

You can lower the cost of your education through military tuition reductions, employer reimbursement options, transfer credit, and more.^{1,2} You're worth the investment.

Expert Faculty

Learn from professionals with extensive experience in emergency management and public safety. Many faculty currently work in the field — they understand your career requirements, the challenges you face, and what it takes to get ahead.

Personal Support

Work directly with faculty through online discussion boards and seminars, and enjoy no-cost individual tutoring. In addition, academic and career advisors are dedicated to helping you balance school with your career and life responsibilities.

Introductory Trial Period

Make sure online learning at Purdue Global is right for you. Enroll in the University and try our classes for 3 weeks — before you owe any tuition. That's the Purdue Global Commitment.³

An Education That's Proven and Respected

Purdue Global is part of the respected Purdue University system. One of the most prestigious research universities in the world, Purdue is ranked #16 most innovative company in the world alongside Open AI, NASA, and Microsoft.⁴

Move Your Career and Education Forward

Gain Skills and Competencies That Make You Stand Out to Employers

- Evaluate the ethical, social, civic, cultural, and political issues that directly affect emergency management and disaster planning services.
- Analyze the distinct characteristics of global emergency management and disaster planning.
- Develop a comprehensive understanding of operational, strategic, and tactical emergency management decisions and disaster management planning.
- Examine the psychological effects of emergency management.
- Use analytical tools to evaluate research about emergency management and disaster planning.
- Explore how technology informs operational, strategic, and tactical decision-making.



Curriculum

This comprehensive curriculum builds your skills and increases your knowledge of all stages of the emergency management life cycle. You'll also develop the necessary technical, fiscal, and human resources abilities to elevate your career. The curriculum is continually reviewed and revised by our industry experts, curriculum department, and advisory board to ensure it reflects the most up-to-date developments and advances in the field.

Sample Courses

- Preparedness and Planning for Emergency Management
- Emergency Management Exercise Design and Evaluation
- Mitigation and Risk Assessment in Emergency Management
- Disaster Policy in Emergency Management
- Strategies for Intergovernmental Effectiveness in Emergency Management

Business Foundations Concentration

With this optional concentration, you'll gain competencies in the fundamental concepts of business administration and develop an understanding of management, marketing strategy, and financial performance.

Program Detail

Credits Hours: 180

Program Length: 4 years

Course Load: 2-3 courses per term

Completion Time: 2–4 years (With transfer credit and other prior experience, the average completion time for Purdue Global bachelor's degree graduates in

2021–2022 was 2.1 years.)⁵ **Terms:** 10 weeks long **Delivery:** 100% online

Start Dates: Throughout the year

Get a Head Start on Your Master's Degree

Complete your master's degree sooner with a graduate program pathway. It weaves graduate-level courses into your bachelor's program, giving you a jump on your master's degree requirements. You'll save on time and tuition compared with finishing both programs separately.

Plus, your degrees don't have to be in the same fields. You can customize your academic journey to support your career goals and interests. To learn more, view the University Catalog or connect with an Advisor.⁶





Career and Networking Opportunities

Industry Outlook

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, overall employment for emergency management directors is expected to grow through 2032.⁷ Grow your career in the government, private, and nonprofit sectors, and help local and global communities prepare for, respond to, and recover from natural and man-made disasters.

Career Pathways and Outcomes8

Roles

- Emergency management coordinator
- Emergency management system (EMS) director
- Emergency planner
- Emergency preparedness coordinator
- Emergency services director
- Public safety director

Settings

- Colleges and universities
- Emergency medical services
- Emergency services organizations
- Emergency preparedness agencies
- Disaster relief organizations

Fire departments

- Hospitals
- Municipal and state government agencies
- Nonprofit organizations
- Private businesses

Center for Career Advancement

Our Career Specialists offer the following services:

- Job search and networking support
- Career assessment/exploration
- Resume and cover letter review
- Interview preparation/mock interviews
- Portfolio development to showcase your skills
- Assistance in building an online presence
- Virtual career fairs
- 24/7 online access to job openings and career development tools

Accredited by the Higher Learning Commission

Purdue Global is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC). The HLC (HLCommission.org) is an institutional accreditation agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

Military Friendly

We offer reduced tuition rates for servicemembers, veterans, and spouses.

Contact an Admissions Advisor at 844-PURDUE-G or visit PurdueGlobal.edu.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: PLEASE READ

For comprehensive consumer information, visit info.purdueglobal.edu.

- 1. Purdue Global does not guarantee transferability of credit. See the University Catalog for the Prior Learning policy.
- 2. May not be combined with other Purdue Global tuition reductions or ExcelTrack* pricing.
- 3. Students who inform Purdue Global they do not wish to pursue the program during the 3-week trial will not be charged. Students who choose to continue at Purdue Global will be billed for the full first term's tuition, including the 3-week trial, and will need to meet other specific requirements. Classes will be applied toward a degree if satisfactorily completed and students select to continue their studies at Purdue Global. No credits are earned if the student withdraws during the introductory period (3 weeks for new qualifying undergraduate students), which begins day one of the first term. Graduate programs and BS in Professional Flight not included. Additional terms may apply to international and non-U.S. citizen students. For further information, see the University Catalog.
- 4. Source: www.fastcompany.com/most-innovative-companies/list. Ranking applies to Purdue University West Lafayette and not to Purdue Global.
- 5. Purdue Global online bachelor's degree students who graduated in 2021-2022 and applied eligible prior learning (transfer, experiential, or credit by exam) credits saved an average of \$34,000 toward the total degree. Campus tuition and prior learning savings vary by location. Savings based on overall cost of completion without prior learning credit. Calculation based on total prior learning credit times standard cost per credit in student's program of study. Individual savings will vary. Calculation includes campus and military students. Purdue Global does not guarantee transferability of credit. See the University Catalog for the Prior Learning policy. Source: Office of Reporting and Analysis, July 2022. 2021-2022 academic year.
- 6. Estimated graduation date is based on the assumption that you will enroll in time to begin classes on the next upcoming start date, will remain enrolled for each consecutive term, and will maintain satisfactory academic standing in each term to progress toward completion of your program. Completion time is based on a full-time schedule. Programs will take longer for part-time students to complete.

 To start a Graduate Program Pathway, students should consult with their Student Advisor to confirm eligibility. Not all Graduate Program Pathways are available on all tracks, and some may require students to meet academic standards to continue taking graduate courses in their bachelor's degree program. Visit the University Catalog for more information.
- 7. Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Emergency Management Directors. National long-term projections may not reflect local and/or short-term economic or job conditions, and do not guarantee actual job growth.
- 8. Purdue Global does not guarantee employment or career advancement. Actual outcomes vary by geographic area, previous work experience, and opportunities for employment. Prior experience may be necessary for leadership positions. May require additional certification or training. In addition, job titles and responsibilities may vary from organization to organization.