

West Texas A&M University
Advising Services
Degree Checklist
2026-2027

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NAME: _____ **WT ID:** _____ **DATE:** _____

Emergency Management Administration
Department of Political Science and Criminal Justice
OM 414 (806) 651-3310

CORE CURRICULUM COURSES: 42 HOURS +		HR
Communication (Code 10)		
ENGL 1301 Intro. to Academic Writing & Argumentation OR ENGL 1311 Writing About Ideas	3	
COMM 1315, 1318, or 1321	3	
Mathematics (Code 20)		
MATH 1314*, 1316*, 1324*, 1325*, 1332*/**, 1342*/**, 1350*/**, 2412*, or 2413* (2412 & 2413: fourth hr. moves to Code 90)	3	
Life and Physical Sciences (Code 30)		
Take two courses from: ANSC 1319; BIOL 1406 or 1308, 1407* or 1309*, 1411, 1413, 2401, 2402; CHEM 1305* or 1411*, 1412*; ENVR 1407*; GEOL 1301 or 1403, 1302, 1404; PHYS 1401*, 1402*, 1311, 1312, 1371, 2425*, 2426*; PSES 1301, 1307 <i>- BIOL 1406, 1407, 1411, 1413; CHEM 1411, 1412; GEOL 1403, 1404; PHYS 1401, 1402, 2425, 2426: 4th hr. moves to Core 90</i>		
Language, Philosophy and Culture (Code 40)		
ANTH 2351, ENGL 2321*, 2326*, 2331*, 2341*, 2343*; HIST 2311, 2323, 2372; MCOM 1307; PHIL 1301, 2374; SPAN 2311*, 2312*/**, 2313*, 2315*, or 2371 Choose 1	3	
Creative Arts (Code 50)		
ARTS 1301, 1303, ARTS 1304; DANC 2303; MUSI 1306, 1307 (for music majors), MUSI 1310; or THRE 1310 Choose 1	3	
American History (Code 60)		
HIST 1301, 1302, 2301, 2381, 2382 Choose 2	6	
Government/Political Science (Code 70)		
POSC 2305 and 2306	6	
Social and Behavioral Sciences (Code 80)		
AGBE 2317*; COMM 2377; CRIJ 1301; ECON 2301, 2302; GEOG 1302; PSYC 2301; SOCI 1301 Choose 1	3	
Component Area Option (Code 90)		
Take six hours from: AGRI 2300; BUSI 1301, 1304; CIDM 1105, CIDM 1301 or 1315; CS 1301; ECON 2331; EDUC 1300; ENGL 1101, 1102, 1302*, 1312*, 2311*; HNRS 2171; HSCI 2300; IDS 1071 (1-3 hours); MUSI 1053 (1-2 hours); PHIL 2303; SES 1120		
Also, extra 4 th -hour credits from Core 20 and Core 30 (MATH, BIOL, CHEM, ENVR, GEOL, PHYS)		
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ADMINISTRATION MAJOR REQUIREMENTS: 36 HOURS—SEE NOTE I A grade of "C" or better must be earned in all courses required for major.		
EMA Professional Development Core Courses (21 hours)		
EMA 3310 Introduction to Emergency Management	3	
POSC 4307 Municipal Government	3	
POSC 4331 Administrative Law	3	
POSC 4348 Ethics and the Justice and EMA Systems	3	
POSC 4352 Administrative Management	3	
POSC 4353 Public Administration	3	
POSC 4356* Principles of Emergency Management	3	

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BAAS.EMER.MGT.AD (603)
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EMA Statistics Requirement (3 hours)		
EMA 3312 Applied Statistics for First Responders -Or any 3000 or 4000 level statistics course	3	
EMA Capstone Requirement (3 hours)		
POSC 4350* Directed Research	3	
EMA Electives (9 hours)		
Take 9 hours from the following courses: EMA 3305* Public Safety Administration EMA 3313 Communication & Technology in EMA EMA 3315 Disaster Preparedness and Mitigation EMA 4349 Emergency Management & Social Vulnerability EMA 4361 Principles of Leadership EMA 4363 Emergency Mgt. & Public Safety Leadership EMA 4392 Topics in Public Administration & Emergency Mgt. POSC 4096* Readings (1-3 hours) POSC 4098* Internship (3 hours) POSC 4351 Nonprofit Administration and Management POSC 4354 Public Personnel Administration POSC 4355 Public Financial Administration POSC 4359* Organizational Theory in the Public Sector		
Leadership Specialization Option (6 hours) These courses may not be taken for EMA Electives. Selecting the Leadership Specialization will increase the degree requirements from 36 to 42 credits.		
EMA 4361 Principles of Leadership	3	
EMA 4363 Emergency Mgt. & Public Safety Leadership	3	
ELECTIVES: 36-42 HOURS +		
BAAS BLOCK transfer of technical/vocational credits, up to a maximum of 42 hours.	36-42	
MINIMUM REQUIRED HOURS TO COMPLETE DEGREE	120	

* Indicates prerequisites—see catalog for more information.

** While MATH 1332, 1342 and 1350 will fulfill core math requirements, they will NOT prepare students for higher-level math courses such as Plane Trigonometry (MATH 1316) or Pre-Calculus (MATH 2412).

*** Or an equivalent course (second year, second semester) in a foreign language.

NOTE I: The EMA program is designed for non-traditional students who are currently working in emergency management. A secondary admission process is required for this program. All applicants must possess an associate degree and have a BAAS Block of technical/vocational credits (up to a maximum of 42 hours) that will be converted to academic hours prior to admission. See the [Emergency Management Administration](#) web page for more information regarding admission requirements.

NOTE: This is NOT a degree plan. All undergraduate students must request an official degree plan from their academic dean's office by the time they have completed 30 credit hours.

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Major: Emergency Management Admin., B.A.A.S.

BAAS.EMER.MGT.AD (603)

Year 1: Fall		Year 1: Spring	
CORE 10 (Communication) – ENGL 1301 or 1311	3	CORE 10 (Communication) – COMM 1315, 1318 or 1321	3
CORE 20 (Mathematics) – See checklist for options	3	CORE 90 (Comp. Area Option) – See checklist for options	3
CORE 30 (Lab Science) – See checklist for options	3	CORE 30 (Lab Science) – See checklist for options	3
CORE 70 (Govt./Political Sci.) – POSC 2305	3	CORE 70 (Govt./Political Sci.) – POSC 2306	3
CORE 90 (Comp. Area Option) – See checklist for options	3	BAAS Block Elective	3
Total:	15	Total:	15
Year 2: Fall		Year 2: Spring	
BAAS Block Elective	3	BAAS Block Elective	3
CORE 40 (Lang., Phil. & Cult.) – See checklist for options	3	CORE 50 (Creative Arts) – See checklist for options	3
CORE 60 (American History) – See checklist for options	3	CORE 60 (American History) – See checklist for options	3
BAAS Block Elective	3	CORE 80 (Social & Behav. Sci.) - See checklist for options	3
BAAS Block Elective	3	BAAS Block Elective	3
Total:	15	Total:	15
Year 3: Fall		Year 3: Spring	
EMA 3310 Intro. to Emergency Mgt. Administration	3	EMA 4352 Administrative Management	3
EMA 4331 Administrative Law	3	EMA 4356 Principles of Emergency Management	3
EMA 4353 Public Administration	3	EMA Statistics Requirement – See checklist for options	3
BAAS Block Elective	3	EMA Elective – See checklist for options	3
BAAS Block Elective	3	BAAS Block Elective	3
Total:	15	Total:	15
Year 4: Fall		Year 4: Spring	
EMA 4307 Municipal Government	3	EMA 4348 Ethics and the Justice and EMA Systems	3
EMA Elective – See checklist for options	3	EMA 4350 Directed Research	3
EMA Elective – See checklist for options	3	EMA Elective – See checklist for options	3
BAAS Block Elective	3	BAAS Block Elective	3
BAAS Block Elective	3	BAAS Block Elective	3
Total:	15	Total:	15

¹ **CORE:** For this program, there are no major-specific course requirements for the core areas. Students may select from any available options (see degree checklist), and there is no set order in which core courses must be taken.

Identified Marketable Skills	Top Three Local Employers or Industries/Professional Programs/Possible Career Opportunities
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Additional notes:

- The core curriculum must total exactly 42 hours; excess hours must be moved to the major as an elective or a major requirement and stay within the 120-hour requirement or approved total submitted to the Coordinating Board for degree requirements. Some majors specify particular courses to meet core curriculum requirements when options are available.
- At least 36 hours of advanced work (3000- or 4000-level courses) for which tuition is paid must be earned at WTAMU. A maximum of six semester hours in religion (RELI) and six semester hours in physical education (PHED) courses can count toward a baccalaureate degree.

DISCLAIMER: This curriculum guide should be used in conjunction with the corresponding degree checklist for general planning purposes only. The degree checklist (later a student’s official degree plan) should be referred to as the comprehensive list of all courses required for the degree. An official degree plan is required after completing 30 hours. Students should always seek the advice of their academic adviser before scheduling classes.