



Bachelor of Arts

Public Safety Management

Levin College of Urban Affairs

The Maxine Goodman Levin College at Cleveland State University is one of the top ten urban affairs schools in the nation. U.S. News & World Report: "America's Best Graduate Schools" 2008 ranked it number two in the nation for its city management / urban policy graduate specialty.

The College offers 14 degree programs that equip students with the technical and management skills needed to launch careers in fields such as public management, planning, public safety, historic preservation, environmental studies, economic development and housing. Degree completion programs are available for community college transfer students with A.A., A.A.S. or A.A.B. degrees in human services, health sciences, paralegal studies, police science, environmental health and safety technology, emergency management, or fire science.

Public Safety Management Major

The Public Safety Management Major is designed to:

- Prepare both pre-career and active public safety personnel for leadership roles in public safety organizations.
- Allow for in-depth study of community safety needs and introduce analytical tools for developing response strategies for use in emergency situations.
- Promote understanding of policy tools to protect the safety and well-being of our communities.

What is the career outlook for a degree in Public Safety Management?

Graduates of the public safety management program work in law enforcement, fire service, probation and parole, emergency management and emergency preparedness at the local, state and federal level.

A major in Public Safety Management is good preparation for law school, or for graduate study in Public Administration.

Career Services assistance is available at the college through job postings, government and post-graduate internship opportunities, and a mentoring program. The Cleveland State Career Services Office offers career counseling and resume review on site. The required internship gives students practical experience in settings designed to complement their degree program.

Additional Program Information

The Bachelor of Arts in Public Safety Management curriculum takes full advantage of its location in a major urban setting in fulfilling its commitment to urban education, research and community service.

The curriculum utilizes the resources of the Levin College and other related departments throughout the University for its interdisciplinary academic program. Students pursuing the Public Safety Management major take courses and seminars dealing directly with problems and issues in the field and their solutions. The major can be completed in the evening.

An Executive Public Safety Management bachelor's degree is offered through the University Partnership at Lakeland Community College. The Public Safety Management major is also offered at Lorain County Community College's University Partnership.

Here are just a few of the many special opportunities that Cleveland State University's Levin College of Urban Affairs offers:

- Intensive seminars in Columbus, OH and Washington, D.C.
- Levin College's Office of Student Services is a one-stop for advising, course information, and career services.
- Credit for life experience through portfolio assessment
- Acceptance of technical credits.
- Convenient scheduling of classes, with some courses offered in full or part via the Web.



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A total number of 128 hours is required for the Bachelor of Arts in Public Safety Management. All degree seeking students are required to complete a specific number of General Education (GenEd) courses. Students are responsible for ensuring the appropriate selection of courses to satisfy GenEd requirements and are encouraged to consult with their academic advisor regarding the applicability of selected courses. A comprehensive description of Cleveland State University's General Education Requirements for undergraduate students is available online at <http://www.csuohio.edu/acaffairs/gened.htm>.

GenEd Requirements for Public Safety Management Majors (effective Fall Semester 2008)

Students must complete the following courses – or their transfer equivalents – to fulfill University General Education (GenEd) requirements.

Freshman English – 7 credits

ENG 101 College Writing I and
UST 102 Professional Writing or
ENG 102 College Writing II

Math/Quantitative Literacy – 6 credits

Recommended:

MTH 116 Foundations of Quantitative Literacy
UST 404 Data Analysis is a Levin College requirement which also fulfills Math/QL

Natural Sciences – 7 credits: 2 courses, one lab

Recommended:

GEO 100/101 Intro to Geology & Lab OR
ENV/UST 259 Natural History of the Cleveland Area
UST 289 Physical Geography

Arts & Humanities – 6 credits, 2 fields

Choose any two courses which are approved Arts & Humanities. One course must be non-US.

Social Science – 6 credits, 2 fields

UST 200 Introduction to Urban Studies is required
Choose an additional approved non-US Social Science course
Recommended: UST 206 Megacities of Asia

NOTE: One of the two non-US courses in Arts & Humanities and Social Science (above) must be focused on Africa, Asia, Latin America, or the Middle East

African-American Experience – One course

Recommended:

UST 202 Cleveland: The African-American Experience

US Diversity – One course

Recommended:

UST/NAD 455 Gender and Leadership

The Public Safety Management Major

Upper Division College Requirements (8-16 credits)

UST 404 Urban Data Analysis
UST 405 Methods of Research & Evaluation
UST 490 Internship (may be waived for appropriate prior experience)

Major Field Core Courses (20 credits)

PSM 302 Contemporary Urban Issues
PSM 433 Conflict Management
PSM 451 Public Safety Management
PSM 452 Management of Urban Organizations
PSM 453 Managing Urban Diversity

Group A – Management – choose two courses: (7-8 credits)

UST 410 Proposal Writing and Program Development
UST 459 Budgeting and Policy Analysis
UST 455 Gender and Leadership
UST 458 Urban Policy
UST 473 Columbus Seminar
UST 474 Washington Seminar
SWK 240 Administration of Justice

Group B – Criminal Justice – choose two courses: (6-8 credits)

SWK 342 Prisoners' Rights
SOC 250 Intro to Criminology
SOC 341 Juvenile Delinquency
SOC 342 Sociology of Law
SOC 344 U.S. Criminal Justice System
SOC 345 Social Control
SOC 346 Corporate and Government Deviance
PSC 311 Civil Rights and Civil Liberties
PSC 321 Political Violence

Emergency Preparedness/Homeland Security

UST 493 Urban Issues: Emergency Preparedness++
UST 493 Urban Issues: Environmental Compliance++
UST 493 Urban Issues: Organizational Security++
UST 458 Urban Policy
PSC 321 Political Violence
++ Credit awarded for completion of specific Continuing Education Courses; see advisor for details.