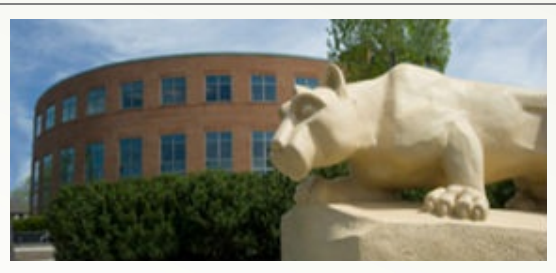


Minor in Homeland Security

The Homeland Security Undergraduate Minor is offered by the Penn State Harrisburg School of Public Affairs. It is delivered both on campus in Harrisburg and online via World Campus.

Based on their concentration of studies, students will be prepared to work in private or public sector businesses, private security or the federal workforce. Students will establish a working knowledge of homeland security issues including national policy, the basic structure of the homeland security enterprise, and emergency management. Students will ascertain how stakeholders within the homeland security enterprise prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from man-made and natural disasters in a multi-jurisdictional and multifunctional environment.



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Security**

Curriculum

Learning Objectives

- Understand the structure of the homeland security enterprise and its mission space, including the constitutional and legal foundations;
- Explain the “all hazards” approach to homeland security and defense;
- Discuss the application of homeland security policies and strategies to select domains in a multi-jurisdictional and multi-functional environment, including security administration; border security; crisis and emergency management; or critical infrastructure protection;
- Develop subject-specific critical thinking skills. 18-credit course work, of which

- 9 credits are in core courses
- 9 credits are in courses from a pre-defined set of electives

Course substitution possible with permission of adviser.

Core Courses (9 credits)

- HLS/PUBPL 201: Introduction to Homeland Security
- HLS/PUBPL 306: Introduction to Crisis and Emergency Management
- HLS/PUBPL 483: Seminar in National Security Policy

Electives (9 credits)

- CRIMJ 304: Security Administration
- CRIMJ 435: Border Security
- HLS/PUBPL 475: Critical Infrastructure Protection
- HLS/PUBPL 476: Homeland Security Intelligence
- PLSC/CRIMJ 439: The Politics of Terrorism
- SRA 421: The Intelligence Environment

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Courses

A grade of C or better is required in all courses for the minor. At least six credits must be at the 400 level.

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MINOR : 18 credits

PRESCRIBED COURSES : (9 credits)

HLS/PUBPL 201(3) (Sem 2-5)

HLS/PUBPL 306 (3)

HLS/PUBPL 483 (3) (Sem 5-8)

SUPPORTING COURSES AND RELATED AREAS : (9 credits)

CRIMJ 304 (3), CRIMJ 435 (3), HLS/PUBPL 475 (3), HLS/PUBPL 476 (3), PLSC/CRIMJ 439 (3), SRA 421 (3) (Course substitution possible with permission of advisor) (Sem: 5-8)

Undergraduate Admissions Requirements

Minimum high school course requirements for admission to baccalaureate (four-year) degree programs are listed below. Keep in mind that specific programs may have additional requirements or recommendations.

English

Four units, including one unit each in composition and literature, are required.

Social Studies/Art/Humanities

Three units in any combination of social studies, arts, and humanities are required.

World Language

Two units in a single world language other than English are required. However, a student may be admitted with fewer than two units in a world language other than English, but must correct this deficiency by the time s/he earns 60 credits or graduates from Penn State, whichever comes first. This deficiency may be corrected by passing one three- or four-credit college level world language course or by demonstrating proficiency equivalent to two units of high school world language study.

Either a third unit in the same language or an additional unit in a second world language other than English is recommended.

Science

Three units of science are required. Preparation in chemistry and physics is recommended but not required for our Science and Engineering/Engineering Technology programs

Math

Three units of mathematics are required (four are recommended), selected from any combination of algebra, geometry, and trigonometry. Some programs have additional mathematics requirements. Our Business, Engineering/Engineering Technology, and Science programs require one-half unit of trigonometry or higher level math within the required three units

Penn State requires proof of graduation or a GED for admission to four-year degree programs.

*In most high school curricula, one unit = one year.

Visit Undergraduate Admissions: Admissions Requirements for more information (<http://goo.gl/eVGAMB>)