

Master of Professional Studies Program Guide (G229)

with First Responder Executive Leadership COGS

Academic Program Guide for MPS Students (Effective Fall 2024)

School of Professional Studies

Students who entered Rowan University prior to Fall 2024 should follow the guide for their program and start year in consultation with their advisor.

Master of Professional Studies Requirements for Graduation

- Students must complete at least 30 semester hours (sh) of coursework that apply to their Rowan University degree.
- Students must have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.75 in Rowan University coursework. (Transfer courses/credit do not count toward the RU GPA.)

The Master of Professional Studies (M.P.S.) with COGS in First Responder Executive Leadership will provide students with the organizational, leadership and analytical skills needed to secure stable administrative positions in areas such as law enforcement, threat response, and emergency management. The program is comprised of a core curriculum of vital strategies in project management, teambuilding and analytics coupled with a focus on this area by applying the 9-credit COGS in First Responder Executive Leadership. Studies are finalized with an application of skills in an action study course. Students who graduate from this program will be prepared to move forward within their field or transition to a related one by demonstrating in-depth analytical competencies, leadership skills, and the communication of viable solutions.

Summary of MPS Program Requirements

- 12 credits of Program Core Courses
 - 15 credits of approved Certificate of Graduate Study in First Responder Executive Leadership and electives.
 - 3 credits of Professional Studies Action Study
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- 30 credits total

PROGRAM CORE COURSES

Course #	Course Name	Course Designations / Notes	Sem/Yr	Grade
MPS 22500	Professional Studies Seminar			
MPS 22501	Foundations of Data Analytics and Reporting			
MPS 22503	Foundations of Agile Management			
MPS 22600	Project Management and Team Building			
				Subtotal: 12 sh

CERTIFICATE OF GRADUATE STUDY IN FIRST RESPONDER EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP

Course #	Course Name	Course Designations / Notes	Sem/Yr	Grade	Credits
DPEM 00600	Public Budgeting & Finance for Emergency Managers				3
DPEM 00500	Complex Organizational Theory in Emergency Services				3
DPEM 00691	Administrative Public Policy and Law				3
					Subtotal: 9 sh

Free Electives for COGS in First Responder Executive Leadership (6 sh)

Students electing to take the Certificate of Graduate Study in First Responders Leadership **must choose two of these Free Electives below** that will satisfy the 30 credit requirement for the Master in Professional Studies.

Course #	Course Name	Course Designations / Notes	Sem/Yr	Grade	Credits
DPEM 00550	Disaster Policy and Legal Environment in Emergency Management				3
DPEM 00692	Contract Administration and Collective Bargaining				3
DPEM 00615	Management and First Responder Organizations				3
DPEM 00675	Disaster Analytics: Evidence-Based Emer. Mgmt. & Prof. Prac.				3
DPEM 00635	Urban Emergency Management				3
DPEM 00670	Fire Services Administration				3
CJ 09526	Management and Criminal Justice				3
					Subtotal: 6 sh

Course #	Course Name	Course Attributes / Notes	Sem/Yr	Grade	Credits
MPS 22699	Action Study: Professional Studies Research				3
					Subtotal: 3 sh

ACTION STUDY

Total Program Credits Required for this Major / Degree: 30 SH