About This Major . . .

The Bachelor of Applied Science in Public Administration/Public Safety combines the technical skills required of first responders with the management training necessary for success in areas related to public safety. A unique program, the B.A.S. allows students who have already earned a certificate in criminal justice, fire science, emergency medical technician or related fields from a credited institution of higher education to build on their technical specialties with general education courses and junior and senior level management classes. B.A.S. students will be technically and academically prepared for leadership positions in their chosen fields. This degree will assist students in their upward mobility in their area of employment as they move into supervisory positions.

For more information on what you can do with this major, go to http://www.coloradomesa.edu/career/whatmajor.html

All CMU baccalaureate graduates are expected to demonstrate proficiency in critical thinking, communication fluency, quantitative fluency, and specialized knowledge/applied learning. In addition to these campus-wide student learning outcomes, graduates of this major will be able to:

1. Evaluate current theories and practices in the public administration field (Specialized Knowledge)
2. Synthesize principles from associated fields as related to public policy and administration. (Specialized Knowledge)
3. Communicate perspectives effectively to various audiences both orally and in writing. (Communication)
4. Apply problem-solving skills related to social issues in public administration (Critical Thinking)
5. Apply analytical and research skills in the field of public administration (Quantitative Fluency)
6. Combine academic theory with practitioner experience and skills. (Applied Learning)
Students should work closely with a faculty advisor when selecting and scheduling courses prior to registration.

Degree Requirements:

- Students with a certificate in Law Enforcement, Fire Science, or Emergency Medical Services or a related field will receive credit for up to 35 semester hours in their core training and may use any additional semester hours earned to meet their General Education Requirements (as applicable) or as unrestricted electives.
- 120 semester hours total (Students must complete a minimum of 30 of the last 60 hours of credit at CMU, with at least 15 semester hours in major discipline courses numbered 300 or higher).
- 24 upper division credits (A minimum of 15 taken at the 300-400 course levels within the major at CMU).
- 2.00 cumulative GPA or higher in all CMU coursework
- 2.00 cumulative GPA or higher in coursework toward the major content area
- Pre-collegiate courses (usually numbered below 100) cannot be used for graduation.
- When filling out the program sheet a course can be used only once.
- A student must follow the CMU graduation requirements either from 1) the program sheet for the major in effect at the time the student officially declares a major; or 2) a program sheet for the major approved for a year subsequent to the year during which the student officially declares the major and is approved for the student by the department head. Because a program may have requirements specific to the degree, the student should check with the faculty advisor for additional criteria. It is the student’s responsibility to be aware of, and follow, all requirements for the degree being pursued. Any exceptions or substitutions must be approved by the student’s faculty advisor and Department Head.
- See the “Undergraduate Graduation Requirements” in the catalog for additional graduation information.

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (31 semester hours)

See the current catalog for a list of courses that fulfill the requirements below. If a course is on the general education list of options and a requirement for your major, you must use it to fulfill the major requirement and make a different selection within the general education requirement.

Course No Title  Sem hrs  Grade  Term/Tmns

English (6 semester hours, must receive a grade of “C” or better and must be completed by the time the student has 60 semester hours.)
ENGL 111 English Composition  3  ___ ___ ___
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Math: MATH 110 or higher (3 semester hours, must receive a grade of “C” or better, must be completed by the time the student has 60 semester hours.)
MATH 1 __ __ __ __ __ __ __

History (3 semester hours)
HIST __ __ __ __ __ __

Humanities (3 semester hours)

Social and Behavioral Sciences (6 semester hours)

Natural Sciences (7 semester hours, one course must include a lab)

Course No Title  Sem hrs  Grade  Term/Tmns

Fine Arts (3 semester hours)

OTHER LOWER DIVISION REQUIREMENTS (6 semester hours)

Kinesiology (3 semester hours)
KINE 100 Health and Wellness  1  ___ ___ ___
KINA 1 __ __ __ __
KINA 1 __ __ __ __

Applied Studies (3 semester hours)
CISB 101 Business Info Tech  3  ___ ___ ___

B.A.S. PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION/PUBLIC SAFETY MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

(33 semester hours) Must pass all courses with a grade of “C” or higher.

Required Core (33 semester hours)
POLS 236 State & Local Government  3  ___ ___ ___
POLS 342 Public Administration  3  ___ ___ ___
PADM 314 Public Organization Theory  3  ___ ___ ___
PADM 315 Public Management  3  ___ ___ ___
PADM 350 Ethics in Public Administration  3  ___ ___ ___
PADM 442 Public Budgeting  3  ___ ___ ___
PADM 446 Public Personnel Mang.  3  ___ ___ ___
ENGL 219 Introduction to Professional Writing  3  ___ ___ ___
ENGL 385 Technical and Professional Writing Topics  3  ___ ___ ___
SOCO 301 Intro to Human Services  3  ___ ___ ___
CISB 210 Fundamentals of Information Systems  3  ___ ___ ___

Unrestricted Electives (All college level classes necessary – minimum of 15 semester hours – to bring credit hour total to 120 hours.)

Bachelor of Applied Science Core (Up to 35 semester hours Semester Hours taken as part of a state approved Associate of Applied Science degree or an equivalent training program.)
**Special requirements:** To be admitted to the B.A.S. degree, program applicants must possess an A.A.S or A.A. degree in Criminal Justice, Fire Science, Emergency Medical Services or a related field of study. Applicants possessing a certificate of completion from a certified training program in one of these areas may also be admitted conditionally to the program. Please see the Social and Behavioral Sciences Department Head for complete requirements and application form. All degree requirements must be completed as described above. Any exceptions or substitutions must be recommended in advance by the faculty advisor and approved by the Department Head. Students are required to participate in exit examinations or other programs deemed necessary to comply with the university accountability requirement.

**POLICIES:**

1. It is your responsibility to determine whether you have met the requirements for your degree. Please see the catalog for a complete list of graduation requirements.
2. You must turn in your “Intent to Graduate” form to the Registrar’s Office by **September 15 if you plan to graduate the following May, and by February 15 if you plan to graduate the following December.**
3. This program sheet must be submitted with your graduation planning sheet to your advisor during the semester prior to the semester of graduation, no later than October 1 for spring graduates, no later than March 1 for fall graduates.
4. Your advisor will sign and forward the Program Sheet and Graduation Planning Sheet to the Department Head for signature.
5. Finally, the Department Head or the department administrative assistant will take the signed forms to the Registrar’s Office. (Students cannot handle the forms once the advisor signs.)
6. If your petition for graduation is denied, it will be your responsibility to reapply for graduation in a subsequent semester. Your “Intent to Graduate” does not automatically move to a later graduation date.