**Minor - Disaster Sciences**

**Description**
Disaster Sciences is a multidisciplinary minor that exposes students to the science and practice in fields such as emergency management and disaster mental health. The disaster context considered includes natural and technological disasters, pandemic, domestic and international terrorism, and climate change/environmental degradation. Students receive training in research areas within the disaster sciences, and with respect to occupations in emergency management. The minor is also of potential interest to first responders and related occupations. The minor promotes an integrated understanding of human behavior before, during, and after disasters, and an enhanced ability to work effectively across disciplines in diverse disaster-related socio-political-cultural-economic contexts.

**Course Requirements**
Disaster Sciences is a multidisciplinary minor consisting of 18 credit hours, including CJ 325 and Psy 417. The remaining hours are listed below, with a minimum of one course completed from the Foundations of Human Behavior, Applications, and Contexts category, and one course completed from the Working with Diversity category. At least three different disciplines outside the student's major must be represented, and 12 of the 18 hours must be at the 300 level or above. The same course may not satisfy requirements for both the major and the minor.

### Foundations of Human Behavior, Applications, and Contexts

- **CJ 100. Introduction to Criminal Justice**
- **CJ 115. Introduction to Homeland Security**
- **CJ 285. Foundations of Terrorism**
- **CJ 435. Terrorism in the 21st Century**
- **Geol 104/114. Environmental Geology/Hazards and lab**
- **HP 191. Personal and Community Health**
- **HP 203. First Aid/CPR**
- **NHM 111. Servsafe**
- **NHM 311. Nutrition**
- **Pol 332. Ethnic Conflict and International Terror**
- **Psy 311. Abnormal Psychology**
- **Psy 319. Brain and Behavior**
- **Psy 321. Social Psychology**
- **Psy 327. Psychology and Law**
- **Psy 365. Environmental Psychology**
- **Psy 430. Positive Psychology**
- **SW 315. Intro to Social Work**
- **Soc 311. Social Problems**
- **Soc 313. Social Movements**
- **Soc 332. Sociology of Peace and Justice**
- **Soc 333. Juvenile Corrections**
- **Soc 355. Sociology of Human Rights**
- **Soc 411. Environment, Technology, and Society**
- **Soc 431. Criminology**

### Working with Diversity

- **NHM 323. Human Development across the Lifespan**
- **NHM 328. Child Development**
- **Psy 301. Developmental**
- **Psy 340. Multicultural Psychology**
- **Rel 363. Religious Perspectives on Aging and Death**
- **SW 321. Human Behavior and the Social Environment I**
- **SW 322. Human Behavior and the Social Environment II**
- **SW 326. Gerontology: Social Welfare Aspects**
- **SW 400. Human Diversity and Social Work Practice**
- **Soc 325. Sociology of Gender**
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Soc 327. Genocide and Women
Soc 336. Sociology of Religion
Soc 413. Race and Ethnicity

Other Academic Requirements
Students must receive a grade of C or higher on all courses to be applied to the minor.