



Southwestern College



Undergraduate Certificate in Homeland Security

STUDENT DATA:

NAME: ROADMAP'S DEGREE

SSN: 000-00-0000

Credit Potential
Required Credit

Program Overview

There are no prerequisites and no required sequence of courses for the Homeland Security Certificate. In the ever-evolving nature of homeland security issues in the United States and those impacting on citizens and countries around the world, the classes in the homeland security certificate program offered by Southwestern College are designed to address a multitude of issues and challenges. This up-to-date program is taught by practicing professionals who bring real-world applications to each of the classes. Southwestern College has been a leader in the offering of security curriculum at the undergraduate and graduate levels. The homeland security certificate is offered both online and in-the-classroom. The five challenging required courses are delivered in 6-week sessions to allow maximum flexibility for busy professionals like you.

Introduction to Security (SMGT 311)

3.00

(This course includes a detailed review of the representative duties of the professionals engaged in private and public security. It focuses on the latest trends, concerns, and issues in the security industry today. This includes specific threat analysis, countermeasures, the security function, and fundamentals of defense. The course will also provide an overview of the historical development of security.)

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Physical Security or Information Security (SMGT 315, 312)

3.00

(SMGT 315 Physical Security Examines physical design, risk assessment, security surveys, barriers, locks, lighting, alarms, entry control, closed circuit television and digital recording systems. The overall process of physical protection system design and integration is also extensively covered.

or

SMGT 320 Information Security Provides a framework for analyzing current and projected data and information exposure within an organization.

Includes the study of firewalls, virus prevention techniques, network security and common forms of cyber crime.)

Homeland Security Fundamentals (SMGT 321)

3.00

(Provides a diverse group of topics related to homeland security. Topics covered include, but are not limited to, critical infrastructure sectors and protection, weapons of mass destruction planning and response

strategies, national security, and public management. There is also a review of the essential coordination and communication between government agencies and private entities.)

Terrorism-Motivations and Adversaries (SMGT 424) 3.00

(Reviews the events, ideas, motivations and histories that result in terrorist acts, as well as an examination of the theories that help explain this volatile behavior surrounding international and domestic terrorism as well as domestic extremist groups in the United States. A conceptual overview of terrorism, progresses to a focused discussion of the terrorists, investigates the nuances of the terrorist trade, and concludes with a final analysis of modern terrorism.)

Legal Aspects of Security or Contemp Issues in Security Mgt (SMGT 415, 430) 3.00

(SMGT 415 Legal Aspects of Security Provides a thorough overview of the legal issues and concepts that security professionals must be familiar with while operating in public or private organizations. A review of legal rights available to security officers, corporations, partnerships, and individually owned businesses for the protection of their property from theft by employees, customers and others is covered. The law of arrest, search and seizure, detention, surveillance and legal consequences are also examined.

or

SMGT 430 Contemporary Issues in Security Management A survey of contemporary issues affecting the conduct of personnel engaged in managing security within organizations and businesses. Includes an analysis of the impact recent legislation on internal security processes and procedures. Mechanisms and plans to facilitate data exchange with public safety organizations at the local, regional, and national level are discussed.)

Excess or Duplicate Credit

TOTAL 15.00 0.00

Thank you for requesting support from the U.S. Coast Guard Institute (CGI). Whereas we serve as an activity in support of your unit Educational Services Officer (ESO), you are encouraged to seek assistance from your local ESO in your academic endeavors. The following information is provided to help you understand what is presented in this degree plan:

This document is an UNOFFICIAL Degree Plan to provide you with a preliminary assessment of how your prior learning experiences might fit into the specified degree program for this academic institution. If you choose to pursue this degree option, you must present it to a college representative, who will review it for the following:

- o Accurate representation of the college's degree program requirements, including course numbers and titles, credit hours for each course, lower- and upper-level course requirements, and the total number of credits needed for the degree.
- o Appropriate assignment of ACE Guide-recommended credit at the lower or upper level for military service schools and occupations, CLEP, DSST, and other tests, transfer credit for courses from other colleges and universities, certification programs, etc.

o Appropriate assignment of SOC Course Category Codes from the SOC Handbook Transferability Tables. The SOC Degree Program Handbooks can be obtained from the SOC web site at: www.soc.aascu.org should you wish to learn more about the course transfer guarantees among SOC network institutions.

IMPORTANT NOTE: When you are ready to seek admission into this degree program, please send the completed enrollment form (found on the college's web page) to the USCG Institute. The registrar will send the college or university an official USCG transcript, a copy of the degree plan (if one was developed through the USCG Institute and was identified on your transcript request), and a ready-for-signature SOC Student Agreement (when signed by a college official, becomes a contract for degree completion).

Credit for all courses you have taken must be reflected on official transcripts sent directly to this college from the administrative offices of the colleges you previously attended. This degree plan is often used for information purposes by college counselors pending receipt of the official transcripts from the source colleges.

This degree plan is not intended to compete with your local college or university. Keep in mind, you are allowed to transfer in a significant amount of the degree requirements to this institution. As such, credit from local colleges, college level examination programs, or advanced military training may be applied to this degree. You may also complete the courses necessary from this college either in residence (on campus or possibly on a military base at a campus extension in the Education Center) or through distance delivery of the courses. If you have questions, please contact the college counselor or your advisor listed at the bottom of this Degree Plan.

DEGREE PLAN LEGEND:

SH = Semester hours
VOC = Vocational, not relative to an academic degree
LL = Lower Level, i.e. courses at the Freshman/Sophomore level
UL = Upper Level, i.e. courses at the Junior/Senior level
GL = Graduate Level (sometimes recommended by ACE for very complex courses)
[#] such as [EN024A] or [EN024B] = SOC Course Category Codes*
{#} such as {DANTES Code = 01.02.03} = DANTES Academic Codes **

* SOC Course Category Codes: Service members Opportunity Colleges (SOC) is a consortium of over 1,600 accredited colleges and universities seeking to provide degree opportunities to the military. Over 170 of these institutions participate in network degree programs developed for the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard. A SOC course category number beside a course from one of these institutions, such as [EN024A] or [EN024B] for English Composition, indicates that courses from other degree program institutions with the same code may be taken to satisfy the degree requirement. See the SOC Degree Programs Handbooks at <http://www.soc.aascu.org/>

** DANTES Academic Codes: The Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support (DANTES) publishes the DANTES Independent Study Catalog (DISC) annually, which lists more than 6,000 courses from dozens of regionally accredited colleges

and universities. Because this is a degree from a SOC affiliated college, the academic residency requirements are limited, thereby allowing students to transfer in a significant portion of the degree, as mentioned above. If the course you desire to take is not offered by this institution when you want to take it, consider the opportunities the courses in the DISC present. For more information, visit http://www.dantes.doded.mil/dantes_web/distancelearning/disc/front/cont.htm Keep in mind, you should always check with the counselor or academic advisor at this institution before enrolling in a course listed in the DISC to ensure it will be accepted in transfer toward this degree.

Southwestern College General Information:

Southwestern College was chartered June 19, 1885, by the Methodists of Kansas as "an institution of learning of full collegiate powers." It opened its doors for forty-three students on September 7, 1886. The first name of the college was "The Southwest Kansas Conference College;" the name "The Southwestern College" was adopted November 5, 1908. As a private institution they have been recognized repeatedly for excellence in academics, both at the main campus, in Professional Studies and SC Online. You can benefit from their reputation for excellence as a graduate of SC Online.

Self-Paced Learning: At Southwestern College Online, you are in control of your educational path. You decide each session which classes to take and when to take time off in between classes. Compared with other adult educational programs, SC Online offers a degree of flexibility that goes a step above the rest. This benefits you, as you can arrange your schedule to make school fit your life- rather than having to adjust your life around school.

24/7/365 Access: Southwestern College Professional Studies and SC Online give you choices of where and how you engage the educational process. You can study at home...at the office ...or while traveling on business since all of the classes are offered over the Internet using software called Blackboard Self-directed learners who value a convenient, flexible solution to balancing educational goals with career aspirations and family responsibilities find online learning to be an excellent choice.

Career Oriented Majors: Having a degree is only part of the battle in today's job market. Having a degree that is practical, unique, and career focused can help you gain that competitive edge. Their majors are designed with the concept of "learn it today/apply it at work tomorrow". The focus is learning not only theory but also on learning skills "hands-on" that employers are looking for.

Southwestern College is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission and is a member of the North Central Association. It is further accredited by the University Senate of the United Methodist Church and other accrediting bodies for individual majors. Southwestern students find credits taken here are fully accepted in undergraduate and graduate schools across the nation.

Tuition for students is: \$293 per credit hour. Military tuition is \$235 per credit hour for active duty military & spouses as well as National Guard, Reservist and DoD civilians. (subject to change)

Employees of government agencies, corporations, and private business may be eligible for military tuition rates if they are members of any of the seven Military Reserve or National Guard components. Check with the admissions office to determine eligibility if applicable.

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POLICY NOTES:

Anyone interested in completing the Certificate in Homeland Security may complete a Southwestern College Application for Admission. There are no prerequisites and no required sequence of courses for the Homeland Security Certificate. The five courses comprising the Homeland Security Certificate can be completed in eight months or less.

Individuals completing the Homeland Security Certificate at Southwestern College may apply the 15-credit hours earned toward a bachelor of science degree with a major in Security Management offered by Southwestern College. Credit hours may also be transferred to other institutions.

This college is rated as one of the nation's best in U.S. News & World Report's "America's Best Colleges" issue.

Evaluation completed by: Charles Morrison

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