

Bachelor of Science in Security Management Degree



Approx. program length:

4 years

Credits:

120

Cost per credit:

\$398

[Tuition Guarantee](#)

Format:

Online

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Security managers are the front line of defense for employee safety and asset protection. Learn the skills you'll need to help keep workplace assets safe with a Bachelor of Science in Security Management degree.

You'll learn how to:

- Manage emergency responses across multiple agencies
- Design, direct, manage and apply threat assessment and risk analysis techniques
- Evaluate an organization's security technology needs
- Recognize the components of effective loss prevention and workplace safety programs

Projected job growth:

4%

According to [Bureau of Labor Statistics](#)

What can you do with a Bachelor of Science in Security Management degree?

A BSSEC can help prepare you to be a:

- Asset protection specialist
- Loss prevention specialist
- Security guard

According to the [Bureau of Labor Statistics](#), job growth for security guards is projected to be average between 2018 and 2028.

Information not specific to University of Phoenix.

Institutional accreditation

University of Phoenix is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC), [hlcommission.org](https://www.hlcommission.org). Since 1978, University of Phoenix has been continually accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and its predecessor.

Total credits required:

120

Requirements and prerequisites

You'll need 120 credits to complete this Bachelor of Science in Security Management program. Your course schedule may vary based on previous experience, training or transferable credits.

23 Core Courses

Here's where you'll pick up the bulk of your program-specific knowledge. By the time you finish these courses, you should have the confidence and skills to succeed in a security or loss prevention environment.

- SEC/311: SECURITY MANAGEMENT FUNDAMENTALS
- SEC/321: SURVEY OF SECURITY SPECIALIZATIONS
- SEC/331: INDUSTRIAL SAFETY
- SEC/319: COMPUTERS AND INFORMATION PROCESSING IN SECURITY
- HRM/300T: FUNDAMENTALS OF HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
- CYB/100: Cyber Domain
- CJS/221: CULTURAL DIVERSITY IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE
- MGT/230: MANAGEMENT THEORY AND PRACTICE
- BUS/212T: FOUNDATIONS OF BUSINESS
- SEC/341: CRIMINOLOGY AND THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM
- SEC/351: LEGAL AND REGULATORY ISSUES IN SECURITY MANAGEMENT
- SEC/361: INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATIONS
- SEC/371: FINANCE AND BUDGETING PRACTICES
- SEC/391: ORGANIZATIONAL BEHAVIOR AND MANAGEMENT
- SEC/401: THREAT AND VULNERABILITY MANAGEMENT
- SEC/431: PRINCIPLES OF INVESTIGATION
- SEC/441: SECURITY OF NETWORKS AND ENTERPRISE SYSTEMS
- SEC/489: IMPLEMENTATION OF SECURITY SYSTEM MEASURES
- SEC/490: PHYSICAL SECURITY OPERATIONS CAPSTONE
- SEC/491: ENTERPRISE SECURITY ADMINISTRATION CAPSTONE
- SEC/411: PHYSICAL SECURITY
- SEC/421: PERSONNEL SECURITY AND EXECUTIVE PROTECTION
- SEC/481: SECURITY CAPSTONE

17 General Education Courses

These courses lay the foundation for all our degree programs. Because communication, math and writing skills aren't just universally applicable in security management — they're useful in daily life.

- GEN/201: FOUNDATIONS FOR UNIVERSITY SUCCESS
- PSY/110: PSYCHOLOGY OF LEARNING
- ENG/100: CRITICAL READING AND COMPOSITION
- HUM/115: CRITICAL THINKING IN EVERYDAY LIFE
- FP/100T: EVERYDAY ECONOMICS AND FINANCES
- ENG/200: RHETORIC AND RESEARCH
- SOC/110: TEAMWORK, COLLABORATION, AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION
- SCI/220T: HUMAN NUTRITION
- HUM/186: MEDIA INFLUENCES ON AMERICAN CULTURE
- BIS/221T: INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTER APPLICATIONS AND SYSTEMS
- CYB/110: Foundations of Security
- CJS/201: INTRODUCTION TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE
- CJS/225: CRITICAL THINKING IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE
- CJS/231: CRIMINOLOGY
- CJS/205: COMPOSITION FOR COMMUNICATION IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM
- ENG/340: CREATIVE WRITING
- MTH/215T: QUANTITATIVE REASONING I
- MTH/216T: QUANTITATIVE REASONING II

Industry Alignment

The Employment and Training Administration (ETA) collaborated with technical and subject matter experts from education, business, and industry to develop a comprehensive competency model for the Enterprise Security Industry. The model is designed as a resource supporting workforce development efforts to prepare the security workers that fulfill critical roles in the protection of national and global economies, providing a multitude of career opportunities ranging from managers and directors of enterprise security to intelligence analysts and chief security officers with major multinational corporations.

We developed the model and validated it in partnership with the ASIS Foundation. The ASIS International Chief Security Officer (CSO) Roundtable Leadership and Development Committee provided input and conducted with University of Phoenix and the ASIS Foundation a series of validation sessions that included international delegates, subject matter experts and sessions with Bridge School of Management in New Delhi, India. The ASIS Foundation will continue to ensure that the model evolves to accommodate changing skill requirements.

Further reading:

- [Enterprise Security Competency Model](#)
- [Time Warner Cable and IBM Use Enterprise Security Competency Model to Realign Job Descriptions](#)

Schedule

Your academic counselor will help schedule your courses for a Bachelor of Science in Security Management.

What you'll learn

When you earn your Bachelor of Science in Security Management degree, you'll be equipped with a concrete set of skills you can apply on the job.

[Download learning outcomes](#)

Topics covered in this degree include:

- Human resource management
- Industrial safety
- Interpersonal communication
- Threat and Vulnerability Management
- Security of Networks and Enterprise Systems

Program Purpose Statement

The University's Criminal Justice programs are educational degree programs. For those interested in pursuing a career in law enforcement, corrections or as a peace officer with any particular local, state, federal, tribal or international agency, there are numerous additional qualifications (and often disqualifications), depending on the position. Before enrolling in a Criminal Justice program, potential students are highly encouraged to check with the relevant agency for a complete list of position requirements. The University makes no representations regarding whether any particular University program will qualify a graduate for any such position.