

# FORT HAYS STATE UNIVERSITY VIRTUAL COLLEGE



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A university education that fits your life. That's what Fort Hays State University's Virtual College is all about. Today, more than 5,500 students in over 20 countries make up our virtual student body, and our courses - some 500 each semester - define user-friendly. Virtual College courses are conveniently offered through the Internet some accompanied by CD-ROM or DVD.

**Get the Virtual College value.** The Fort Hays State Virtual College value starts where it should—with quality, career-relevant programs taught by committed faculty. Fort Hays State University believes a college education should be accessible to everyone. We keep our promise of Affordable Success to students by offering one of the most reasonable tuition and fee structures in the country. All of our programs are accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, so you know you're getting a quality education.

**We're dedicated to your success.** Whether you want a degree, professional certification, or simply the pleasure of exploring a new subject, we're ready to help you. Contact us today at [virtualcollege@fhsu.edu](mailto:virtualcollege@fhsu.edu) or call (800) 628-FHSU. Visit our website at [www.fhsu.edu/virtualcollege](http://www.fhsu.edu/virtualcollege).



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**Emergency Services Leadership Certificate Program**  
College of Arts & Sciences  
Department of Leadership Studies

**Is the Virtual College for you?** Fort Hays State Virtual College is committed to bringing you a high quality educational experience that is convenient, flexible, and affordable. There is no question that people who previously would not have considered distance learning are finding that it adapts to their needs. Take classes every semester or take a break when other demands require too much time. It's entirely up to you.

**Outstanding Faculty!** The majority of distance learning courses are taught by the same high quality and academically credentialed faculty who teach on campus. These instructors are experts in their field and have the real world experience to help you succeed.

Many scholars and specialists are among the more than 300 full-time faculty members who couple superb teaching with a warm and caring attitude toward their distance learning students. Your professors continually interact with you, encouraging you to succeed with new content and concepts. Faculty not only work hard at providing excellent online teaching, but also serve as advisors, helping students meet their educational goals. FHSU is first and foremost, high-touch.

**We're set up for your success.** Fort Hays State University's Virtual College is committed to giving you every tool you need to succeed as a student and as a graduate. Need a hand sorting out your financial aid options? Want some extra academic help? Looking for ideas and connections to help you put your degree to work? We'll be there for you. Additional benefits for FHSU students include:

- Personal advising
- Virtual bookstore
- Career services
- Transcript analysis
- Online library resources
- Toll-free phone and Internet support



## Helping those that help us!

At Fort Hays State University's Department of Leadership Studies we recognize the growing need to enhance your technical skills with knowledge gained from academic programs. Many employers in the public safety fields are requiring higher education for promotion or incentive pay. The fields of Fire Service, Emergency Medical Services, Law Enforcement, Emergency Management, and 911 Communications are all embracing formal education.

The Emergency Services Leadership Certificate is a 3 course undergraduate program that can be earned separately or included with other college level courses to attain your Associate's or Bachelor's degree. The courses will introduce you to leadership theory and its applications in your field. In addition, you will learn how intervention strategies and organizational change tactics can assist you in guiding your department to meet the ever changing global world in which everyone must operate.

Training prepares us to perform the tasks. Education provides us with the tools to be leaders. The Emergency Services Leadership program is designed to prepare you for working with community representatives, politicians, peers, personnel and other stakeholders.

### Emergency Services Leadership Certificate Course Descriptions

**Introduction to Emergency Services Leadership (LDRS 490):** Through this journey, you will explore, compare and contrast important leadership theories and apply your knowledge of these theories to develop a personal philosophy of leadership that will prove effective in your particular emergency services discipline.

**Assessment in Emergency Services Organizations (LDRS 490):** This course provides students with an understanding of how consultants study and change organizations. Students will learn applied research methods by examining quantitative, qualitative and mixed method strategies. Students will further identify what they intend to study, develop an assessment project, execute the method and analyze the results.

**Developing Leadership Capacity in Organizations (LDRS 490):** Students will apply leadership concepts and assessment techniques to the design, delivery and analysis of leadership development interventions. Students will develop practical applications to leadership development programs on individual, unit and organizational levels.

## DEGREES Available

### BACHELOR'S DEGREES

- Bachelor of Arts in Sociology
- Bachelor of Business Administration
  - Business Communication
  - Management
  - Management – Concentration in Human Resources
  - Marketing
  - Tourism and Hospitality Management
  - Management Information Systems
- Bachelor of General Studies
- Bachelor of Science
  - Education – Elementary Education
  - Early Childhood Unified
  - Special Education K-6
- Computer Networking and Telecommunications
- Justice Studies
- Medical Diagnostic Imaging
- Nursing – RN to BSN
- Organizational Leadership
- Technology Leadership
- Web Development

### MASTER'S DEGREES

- Master of Business Administration in Leadership
- Master of Liberal Studies
- Master of Science
  - Education
  - Educational Administration
  - Health and Human Performance
  - Instructional Technology
  - Nursing – Administration Track
  - Education Track
  - Family Nurse Practitioner
- Special Education

### CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

*Target your skills with 20 Programs available.*