



Course: IS-363 Introduction to Emergency Management for Higher Education

Course Dates:

Course is now available online.

Course Length:

The overall time to complete IS-363 takes approximately 3 hours; however, the time will vary by individual.

Course Description:

The goal of this course is to provide Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs) with knowledge and planning strategies to protect lives, property, and the environment by supporting operations more effectively within the context of comprehensive emergency management.

Course Goal:

By the end of this course, you should be able to:

1. Define comprehensive emergency management.
2. Identify the importance of emergency planning as it relates to the unique needs of an Institution of Higher Education (IHE).
3. Identify hazards that present risks for IHEs and the impacts of those hazards.
4. Identify the process and benefits of conducting a risk assessment.
5. Identify and create a partnership with internal and external stakeholders.
6. Define the characteristics of a planning team.
7. Develop or revise a multi-hazard Emergency Operations Plan (EOP).
8. Describe strategies for training and testing the EOP
9. Create a recovery plan.

Continuing Education Units (CEU's):

EMI awards 0.3 CEUs for completion of this course.

Target Audience:

Individuals involved with Emergency Management at Institutes of Higher Education.

To Apply:

Independent Study Exams now require a FEMA Student Identification (SID) Number.

How do I obtain my FEMA SID number?

Step 1: To register, [click here to go to the FEMA SID website](#).

Step 2: Click on the "Register for a FEMA SID" button on screen.

Step 3: Follow the instructions and provide the necessary information to create your account.

Step 4: You will receive an email with your SID number. You should save this number in a secure location.

Please do not contact the Independent Study program office as they are unable to provide assistance with these requests.

To Complete the Course:

This course is available on the [FEMA EMI ISP Courses website](#). When you have completed the course, you may take the online test, fill out the student information and submit the test for scoring. FEMA's EMI Independent Study (IS) office will notify you via email of the results. If you successfully complete the test, a link will be

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included in the email for you to access and print your course certificate.

Independent Study Office Contact Information:

You may contact the IS office via email Independent.Study@fema.dhs.gov or contact the call center at (301) 447-1200 or toll free at 1-800-238-3358, extension 1200. IS office hours are **8:00am-6:00pm (ET) Monday-Friday, except Federal holidays.**

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