

Emergency Management Institute Monthly Newsletter

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EMI: 70 Years of Training Those Who Serve our Nation

After 13 months of pandemic closure, the April resumption of classes at the Emergency Management Institute (EMI) was a wonderful start to EMI's 70th Anniversary celebration. This event began on April 30th and will continue as a year-long celebration.

To commemorate its long, distinguished history of training our Nation's emergency management professionals, EMI's Superintendent, Dr. Jeff Stern, recorded a video message that highlighted the anniversary theme, "70 years of training those who serve our Nation." The EMI 70th anniversary video is available on YouTube at https://youtu.be/YINeyXRvmXM.

EMI is planning events throughout the year that will showcase featured memories from past students, instructors and past superintendents, webinars, podcasts, panel discussions, videos, and featured speakers providing compelling insights from those who have benefitted over the years from EMI and its predecessors in Olney, Maryland, and Battle Creek, Michigan. Of course, there will also be a glimpse into EMI's vision for the future.

If you would like to share how EMI's training has benefitted you and your community, we would love to hear from you. Please email your submission to <u>FEMA-EMI-Social-Media@fema.dhs.gov</u>. You may be featured in our 70th Anniversary publications!

Stay tuned for further information about our anniversary celebration plans and keep an eye on our social media channels for future updates.

From the EMI Branches

Emergency Management Professional Program (EMPP):

The application period for the FY22 cohorts of the Advanced Academy, Executive Academy, and Master PIO Program opened April 1, 2021, and runs through June 1, 2021. Look for the training announcements with the application information at these links:

- How to Apply to the National Emergency Management <u>Advanced Academy</u> (https://training.fema.gov/empp/applytoadvancedacademy.aspx)
- How to Apply to the National Emergency Management <u>Executive Academy</u>
 (https://training.fema.gov/empp/applytoexecutiveacade my.aspx)
- How to Apply for Master PIO Training (https://training.fema.gov/programs/pio/masterpio.aspx)

The National Emergency Management Basic Academy is designed for individuals pursuing a career in emergency management through a training experience that combines a knowledge of all fundamental systems, concepts, and practices of contemporary emergency management. The Basic Academy Foundations of Emergency Management provides a solid foundation upon which to enhance the professional development and further build the careers of emergency managers.

EMPP Training Opportunity: EMI is offering a classroom delivery of the E0101 Foundations of Emergency Management course in residence on the Emmitsburg, Maryland, campus the week of June 7-11, 2021. There are seats available for this course, so please encourage interested students to enroll right away.



The EMPP Branch has completed the deliberate and intentional process of transitioning courses to virtual delivery options. Here is an updated list of the courses now available through virtual delivery.

The Basic Academy:

- K0101 Foundations of Emergency Management
- K0102 Science of Disaster
- K0103 Planning: Emergency Operations
- K0146 HSEEP Training Course
- K0105 Public Information Basic
- K0110 Train-the-Trainer

The Advanced Academy:

- K0451 Application of Advanced Individual Concepts in Emergency Management
- K0452 Assessment of Teams in Professional Emergency Management
- K0453 Contemporary Issues in the Emergency Management Organization
- K0454 Advanced Concepts and Policy in the EM Profession

PIO Program:

- K0388 Advanced Public Information Officer
- K0389 Master Public Information Officer Course Part 1
- K0393 Master Public Information Officer Course Part 2

Please check for the <u>EMPP Academies' course schedules</u> at *https://training.fema.gov/emicourses/schedules.aspx.*

The Basic Academy is seeking regional partners to cosponsor a pilot of the L0110 Train-the-Trainer course. Any interested RTMs please contact Jeff Januchowski Jeffrey.januchowski@fema.dhs.gov or Rich Bashioum Richard.bashioum@fema.dhs.gov.

Preparedness:

EMI Tribal Curriculum: The EMI Tribal Curriculum is a series of five courses designed with Tribal people, for Tribal Governments, in order to meet the unique emergency management needs of these Sovereign Nations with regard to tribal culture, tradition, sovereignty, and governance.

Goal: To collaborate with Tribal governments to build emergency management capability and partnerships to increase the resilience of Tribal nations and communities.

The current Tribal courses were released in 2012, just weeks before the Sandy Recovery Improvement Act (SRIA) was issued in 2013. SRIA provided Federally

Recognized Tribal Governments the option to request Emergency and Major Disaster declarations directly from FEMA and the White House. This created a gap in the course materials regarding the topic of declarations. Additionally, the release of a revised NIMS in 2017 and other Federal guidance and tools also contributed to a need to update Tribal training.

In 2019, EMI entered into a contract with a Native-owned business that is partnering with the Salish-Kootenai Tribal College to make revisions to three of the courses in the Tribal Curriculum:

- E/L0580, Emergency Management Framework for Tribal Governments
- E/L0581, Emergency Operations for Tribal Governments
- E/L0582, Resilience for the Next 7 Generations: Mitigation and Recovery for Tribal Governments

The newly revised courses will include information about the Tribal Declarations Pilot Guidance, the 2017 NIMS Refresh, the 2017 Tribal Mitigation Plan Review Guide, the 2018 Tribal Mitigation Planning Handbook, and the 2019 Pre-Disaster Recovery Planning Guide for Tribal Governments. In addition, the new material contains interviews and photos of Tribal emergency managers performing their duties and discussing relevant emergency management topics.

The partnership with the Tribal College has been advantageous for many reasons. The Tribal College is well suited to develop training that is relevant to the students. The College is "test-driving" the course material in its Emergency Management Certificate Program courses to ensure sound and appropriate curriculum design for a Tribal audience.

The new courses will be completed in December.

Additional information on <u>EMI's Tribal curriculum</u> can be found at *https://training.fema.gov/tribal/*.

For more information about <u>tribal community and family preparedness</u>, go to *https://www.ready.gov/indian-country* or click the link below:





Preparedness Training Opportunity:

NIMS ICS Position-Specific Train-the-Trainer (TtT):

Please be advised that openings remain in upcoming National Incident Management System (NIMS) Incident Command System (ICS) Position-Specific TTT classes for FY 2021 at the Emergency Management Institute in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

Course Code	Course Title	Dates
E0978	Situation Unit Leader TtT	July 12–16, 2021
E0988	Air Group Supervisor TtT	August 10–12, 2021
E0974	Finance/Administration Section Chief TtT	August 17–19, 2021

To learn more about this FEMA EMI Training Opportunity with all of the selection criteria, prerequisite requirements, and admissions information, please visit: Training Opportunity - NIMS ICS Position Specific TTT (https://training.fema.gov/emigrams/2021/1655%20-%20training%20opportunity%20-%20revised%20-%20nims%20ics%20position%20specific%20ttt%20cours e%20vacancy%20announcement.pdf?d=4/22/2021).

Integrated Emergency Management (IEM):

Virtual Tabletop Exercises (VTTX): During the month of April, 257 individuals from 38 organizations participated in at least 1 of 5 separate VTTX offerings. Three VTTX offerings were conducted in partnership with the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency focusing on a cyber scenario, and two VTTXs were conducted with a hurricane scenario. The IEM Branch's schedule of VTTXs continues unabated in the current pandemic environment with VTTXs scheduled for an average of 6 days a month. Visit Fiscal Year 2021

VTTXs for the latest training bulletin (https://training.fema.gov/emigrams/2021/1645%20-%20training%20bulletin%20-%20vttx%20fy2021.pdf).

May's VTTX offerings include:

- May 4–6, 2021: Agricultural Scenario
- May 18–20, 2021: Dam Failure Scenario

Master Exercise Practitioner Program (MEPP):

The IEM Branch recently released a training opportunity for the Fiscal Year 2022 Master Exercise Practitioner Program (MEPP) application period, which will open May 1, 2021, and run through July 1, 2021. The training

opportunity can be found at: <u>MEPP Overview FY22</u> Application Process (fema.gov)

(https://training.fema.gov/emigrams/2021/1657%20-%20training%20opportunity%20-%20%20mepp%20fy22.pdf?d=4/22/2021). Please share this opportunity with qualified applicants from your jurisdictions. Applications should be completed online through the online admissions system at: National Emergency Training Center Online Admissions
Application (fema.gov)

(https://training.fema.gov/netc_online_admissions/). For more Master Exercise Practitioner Program information, including dates, visit https://training.fema.gov/mepp/ or contact fema-emi-iemb@fema.dhs.gov.

Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program Training (HSEEP): All revised E/L/K0146 HSEEP training material from the 2020 HSEEP doctrine update is approved by EMI for release and use within the HSEEP community. The documents are uploaded to the EMI Instructor Materials Download Application (IMDA). All Regional Training Managers (RTMs) and State Training Officers (STOs) have been added to the Approved Instructor List (using their First Name, Last Name, and Email Address). All RTMs (FEMA staff) will use their PIV card for access. STOs (non-FEMA staff) will use their Student Identification number (SID) to access the K/L0146 HSEEP course material (IG, POI, SM, Pre-test, Post-test, Videos, PowerPoints, Activities Guide, and Reference Material). You will receive an email with the link and instructions to access the IMDA. If you are planning on delivering a K/L0146 course, you will need to identify your instructors and submit your request NLT 6 weeks prior to course delivery to the EMI HSEEP Course Manager steven.cardinal@fema.dhs.gov and cc fema-emiiemb@fema.dhs.gov. The 2013 E/L/K0146 training material is still being used to deliver approved courses into 3rd quarter FY 2021. Please monitor the EMI HSEEP webpage (https://training.fema.gov/programs/hseep/) for updates on sunsetting the 2013 E/L/K0146 training material.

Superintendent's Business Office (SBO):

The EMI SBO continues to provide regular updates to the Regional Training Managers' Dashboard. Currently, this internal site provides information about E (Resident) and L (Field) deliveries. In response to several inquiries, the Dashboard now includes all K (Virtual) deliveries.



Courses in Development

New Courses

Course #	Course Title	Release
IS-337	Posting Integrated Financial Management Information System Transactions	April 2021
IS-874	Introduction to Seepage and Internal Erosion and the Emergency Response to Seepage Related Dam Risks	April 2021
IS-875	Identifying, Monitoring and Addressing Seepage and Internal Erosion at Dams	April 2021
IS-876	Evaluation and Analysis of Internal Erosion and Seepage Conditions at Dams	April 2021
E/L/K0419	Shelter Field Guide Training for State and Local Communities	April 2021

Approved for Virtual Delivery

Course #	Course Title	
E/K0682	Leading Complex Systems	
E/L/K0964	NIMS ICS AHPS Situation Unit Leader Course	
E/L/K0973	NIMS ICS AHPS Finance/Administration Section Chief Course	

Course Retirement

Course #	Course Title	Retirement
E/L/K0548	Continuity Program Managers Course	CY 2021
E/L/K0550	Continuity Planners Course	CY 2021

For More Information:

- <u>EMI Course Catalog</u> (https://www.firstrespondertraining.gov/frtserver/catalogs/EMI_course_catalog.pdf?_=1603823874749)
- <u>EMI Course Schedule</u> (https://training.fema.gov/emicourses/schedules.aspx)
- <u>EMI Programs and Activities</u> (https://training.fema.gov/programs)
- <u>State Training Officers Contact Listing</u> (https://training.fema.gov/programs/aps/stolist.aspx)
- Independent Study Program FAOs (https://training.fema.gov/is/isfaq.aspx)

Current Training Opportunities:

Please refer to the <u>EMI Course Schedule</u> (https://training.fema.gov/emicourses/schedules.aspx) for a complete list of upcoming course offerings.

COVID Mitigation at the National Emergency Management Training Center

Q: What are the Mitigation Measures NETC is implementing?

A: The NETC campus has implemented the following Mitigation Measures:

- 1. Social distancing (specifically, staying 6 feet away from others when you must go into shared space).
- 2. Frequently washing hands or the use of alcoholbased hand sanitizer when soap and water are not available.
- 3. Wearing a mask or face covering.
- 4. Avoiding touching eyes, nose, and mouth.
- 5. Staying at home when sick, or in other words, not making the trip to NETC.
- 6. Cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched objects and surfaces.

Daily temperature screenings and testing every 72 hours are mandatory; they will be conducted in the Building B Recreation Center.

Face Coverings are required when it is not possible to maintain at least 6 feet of social distancing. Coverings are required in all common areas including entrances, elevators, restrooms, common areas, and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) transportation.

Social Distancing will always be practiced.

Housing will be in the form of single rooms; when possible, alternating rooms on each dormitory floor.

Dining is limited to 50 students at a time with scheduled mealtimes for all students. The cafeteria will no longer offer buffet-style dining. Staff will serve all food and drink in the dining hall. Students will be issued meal cards with designated mealtimes upon check-in.

<u>Additional COVID-19 information</u> on the steps NETC is taking can be found at https://training.fema.gov/covid19.aspx.



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