



Higher Education Program News

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Higher Education Updates

Good Day All! The winter season is upon us, and this past weekend we got our first dusting of snow. It was beautiful although it only lasted a few hours. While the snow is gone for the moment, by planning ahead, we can avoid many dangerous weather problems. As the seasons change, it is a good time to check our car emergency preparedness kits and make sure that we have all that we need to handle any emergencies or unforeseen delays that winter weather can bring. For more information on [car safety](#) go to [Ready.gov](#), and learn more about what to put in that kit. There is also a winter weather safety social media [toolkit](#) that contains preparedness messages you can share on your social media channels; you can copy the messages directly or customize them to reach your audience.

We have been sharing the past couple weeks that EMI is now on social media! We have our own LinkedIn, Facebook and Twitter sites. We are working hard to build up our 'virtual' community, so I thought I would share a few tips. First, the links below this update are the quickest way to get to our sites, but if you are trying to get to them via the search bar you will have the best luck if you enter "FEMA Training" in the search box for LinkedIn, FEMAEMI for Facebook and FEMA EMI for Twitter. We will be working with our social media team to add content that highlights our Higher Education Program efforts. Please take a moment to like and follow us. We have a goal to reach 8,000 and I will keep you posted on how we are doing.

Remember that this Thursday, December 15th is our Community Call at 2PM EST. I hope to hear from you then. The call in call information is **800-320-4330, PIN: 376368**. The calls provide an opportunity to learn about new and ongoing projects in your emergency management academic community, explore ways that the Higher Ed Program can support the higher education community, and provide a platform for questions and open discussion.

The Emergency Management Institute is now on Social Media!

Follow and participate with EMI on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), and [LinkedIn](#).

Higher Education Program is hosting Teaching with Cases Webinar Series

This webinar series provides an overview of the use of cases in teaching emergency management higher education programs. More information and a training announcement will be coming soon.

Webinars scheduled in the series in 2017:

- Webinar #2: Using Cases as Simulations in Teaching and Assessment
Wednesday January 11 at 3 PM EST





- Webinar #3: Using Cases as Examples in Teaching and Assessment
Wednesday February 8 at 3 PM EST
- Webinar #4: Using Cases for Their Intrinsic Value
Wednesday March 8 at 3 PM EST

**If you have a topic or idea you would like to see covered in our Higher Education Webinar series, contact Wendy Walsh at wendy.walsh@fema.dhs.gov.

[College List](#) - The EMI Higher Education Program keeps a [list](#) of colleges and universities that offer emergency management, homeland security, and related programs. EMI staff do not provide college recommendations or discuss the relative merits of the colleges and universities listed. Please send information updates to FEMA-emi-collegelist@fema.dhs.gov. Next year, the college list update templates will be pre-populated with your information.

Mark Your Calendar for the next Hi Ed Symposium! [The 19th Annual Emergency Management Higher Education Symposium](#) will be held June 5-8, 2017 at FEMA's Emergency Management Institute at the National Emergency Training Center in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

Employment

Arizona State University has a full time fire safety inspector position opening that closes December 20, 2016. To [apply](#), click "External Applicant" under Staff job opportunities, see Req Id# 27887BR or go [directly](#). There will be an additional opening in February 2017 and another in 2018. For questions contact [James Gibbs](#).

Vacancy announcements posted for Emergency Management Specialist:

- (Response) IC-0089-09/11, **OPEN** 12/12/2016 and **CLOSE** 12/19/2016, [FEMA-17-ETA-119873-CORE](#), Round Hill, VA
- (Public Safety – DHA) ZP-0089-04/04, **OPEN** 12/12/2016 and **CLOSE** 12/19/2016, [NTIA-FRNA-2017-0026](#), Location Negotiable
- (Recovery) GS-0089-11/12, **OPEN** 12/12/2016 and **CLOSE** 12/19/2016, [FEMA-17-TT-123326-DE](#), Oakland, CA
- (FSEM) GS-0089-07/09, **OPEN** 12/9/2016 and **CLOSE** 12/22/2016, [17-109-PAH-DE](#), Washington, DC
- (Air Force) GS-0089-09/11, **OPEN** 12/12/2016 and **CLOSE** 12/27/2016, [T17-147A](#), Scotia, NY

Higher Education Vacancies

- Grand Canyon University, [Adjunct Online Faculty, Terrorism's Impact on Emergency Management](#)
- Harvard University, [Emergency Management Program Manager](#)





- Massachusetts Maritime Academy, [Full-Time, Tenure Track Emergency Management Faculty](#)
- St. John's University, [Assistant Professor, Division of Criminal Justice, Legal Studies and Homeland Security](#)

Internships

The White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) is looking for motivated undergraduate, graduate and professional students to join their team in spring 2017! This is a great opportunity to learn about the initiative and learn about some of the innovative ideas shaping the nation's HBCUs. Winter internship [applications](#) are due December 20th.

Resources and Announcements

FEMA App - Winter weather preparation is important. Do you have the [FEMA App](#) downloaded on your phone? The app contains weather information, preparedness tips for travel, checklist to customize for your needs and other easily accessible information.

[2016 United States Government Policy and Supporting Positions](#) [AKA the "Plum Book"]

Fiscal Year 2016 Program to Prepare Communities for Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attacks

Overview provides funding to local, state, tribal, and territorial jurisdictions to enhance preparedness and build capacity to prepare for, prevent, and respond to complex coordinated terrorist attacks in collaboration with the whole community. [For more information.](#)

The Disaster Information Management Research Center [Disaster Lit®: the Resource Guide for Disaster Medicine and Public Health](#) database has recently been updated.

Calendar

The [Governor's Hurricane Conference \(GHC\)](#) will be held May 14-19, 2017 in West Palm Beach, FL. The theme is **Preparedness Works!** [Award nominations](#) for the 2017 GHC awards are being [accepted](#) through March 11, 2017. The 2016 Hurricane Season evidenced some outstanding individuals and organizations worthy of recognition for hurricane preparedness, response, recovery, research, planning and innovation.

EMI is hosting three broadcasts of the [Virtual Tabletop Exercise \(VTTX\) program](#), addressing an active shooter at a school. The free broadcasts are scheduled for three sessions on June 6, 7, and 8, 2017, from 12-4 PM. EST. You only have to sign up for one of the broadcasts. To sign up, send an email to [Doug Kahn](#) identifying which date is your preference and whether you're going to take part via phone or Video Teleconference.

Download the [FEMA App](#) to receive weather alerts from the NWS for up to five different locations anywhere in the U.S. [Sign up via our free e-mail subscription service](#) to receive notifications and information updates



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