



Higher Education Program News

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Higher Education Updates

The holiday season is a great time to complete end-of-year tasks, reflect on accomplishments and plan for the New Year. The Higher Education Program has completed our 2016 Emergency Management Symposium after-action report to guide our planning for 2017. This document will provide our Information Sharing and Symposium Special Interest Group with a good foundation for our planning. The group has been meeting about every other month, and after the New Year we will be meeting monthly as June will be here in no time!

The international invitations for the 2017 Higher Education Symposium have been emailed to provide enough time for clearance and travel plans. If you are a foreign national interested in the attending the June 2017 Higher Education Symposium and have not received an invitation, please send us an email. The general invitation will be sent in January, and guidance on submitting abstracts and posters will follow shortly after the invitation. Please note that the invitations will only be delivered via email. You will not receive a hard copy invitation in the mail. If you do not receive an invitation by the end of January, you can request an invitation via the Higher Education website.

Everyone at the Higher Education Program at the Emergency Management Institute would like to wish you a wonderful holiday season. We are grateful for all the opportunities to work together and are looking forward to more in the coming New Year!

Due to the holiday season and Higher Education staff taking leave to spend time with our families our next newsletter is expected to go out January 5, 2017.

The Emergency Management Institute is now on Social Media!

Higher Education Program Hosts *Teaching with Cases* Webinar Series

This webinar series provides an overview of the use of cases in teaching emergency management higher education programs. Webinars scheduled in 2017:

- [Webinar #2: Invitation to Emergency Management Case Teaching: Session II](#)
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

Vacancy announcements posted for Emergency Management Specialist:

- (Preparedness) GS-0089-11/12, OPEN 12/16/2016 and CLOSE 12/27/2016, [FEMA-17-FF-123920-DE](#), Washington, DC
- (NASA HQ) GS-0089-14/14, Open 12/14/2016 and CLOSE 12/28/2016, [HQ17D0012](#), Washington, DC
- (Federal Coordinating Officer) GS-0089-15/15, OPEN 12/16/2016 and CLOSE 2/13/2017, [FEMA-17-SC-132293-DE](#), San Juan, Puerto Rico
- (Federal Coordinating Officer) GS-0089-15/15, OPEN 12/16/2016 and CLOSE 2/13/2017, [FEMA-17-SC-131785-DE](#), Oakland, CA; Lakewood, CO; Atlanta, GA; Chicago, IL; Boston IL; Philadelphia, PA

Vacancy announcements posted for other Emergency Management Positions:

- Management & Program Analyst (Emergency Planner) FV-0343-J/J, OPEN 12/15/2016 and CLOSE 12/27/2016, [AWA-AHR-17-0006CB-50946](#), Washington, DC

Higher Education Vacancies:

- [Columbia University](#), Senior Project Manager, Emergency Management Programs
- [Palm Beach State College](#), Adjunct Instructor, Emergency Management
- [Truckee Meadows Community College](#), Emergency Management and Homeland Security Part-time Instructor





- [Harvard University](#), Emergency Management Program Manager, Campus Services

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.

Results of the [first round](#) of a Policy Delphi Study that [Evidence Aid](#) carried out in association with Georgetown University and the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences. The purpose of the study is *to engage a wide range of key stakeholders in dialogue regarding disaster responses, including for example, evidence for best practices in disaster response, approaches to improving investments in disaster response with Cochrane-style (systematic review) analysis of evidence, identification of gaps in the evidence base for disaster response; and factors that impact on effective disaster response.* The study is now closed – Round 2 closed in November, and Round 3 took place during the Evidence Aid [conference](#) in Washington D.C. in mid-November. Evidence Aid will release the results of Rounds 2 and 3 in due course.

[Homeland Security Affairs](#), 2016, v. 12, Tiered Response Pyramid: A System-Wide Approach to Build Response Capability and Surge Capacity

[Reviewing the Department of Homeland Security's Intelligence Enterprise](#), House Homeland Security Committee Majority Staff Report

The Disaster Research Center (DRC), University of Delaware, houses the most complete collection on the social and behavioral science aspects of disasters. The [E.L. Quarantelli Resource Collection](#) at the DRC includes more than 70,000 items, including documents and publications not readily available elsewhere, and is open to interested scholars, agencies and others involved in emergency management.

The CIP Report, Center for Infrastructure Protection and Homeland Security, George Mason University, November/December 2016

- [The Jones Act and its Effect on Freight Transportation in the Aftermath of Disruptive Events: A GIS Perspective](#)
- [Self-Organization in Work Unit Resilience: Five Lessons from a Shipyard under Pressure](#)
- [The Human Landscape - The Functional Bridge between the Physical, Economic, and Social Elements of Community Resilience](#)
- [Lifecycle Design and Cumulative Benefit-Cost Analysis for Transportation Resiliency](#)

Calendar





Webinar: “**Disaster Behavioral Health Education: Education Fact Sheets to Enhance Preparedness and Response.**” The webinar is presented by one of the 2016 Disaster Health Education Symposium Poster winners, Joshua Morganstein, M.D. Commander, U.S. PHS Scientist; Center for the Study of Traumatic Stress Assistant Professor, Assistant Chair Department of Psychiatry, School of Medicine Uniformed Services University. **Date:** January 18th, 2017 11:00 a.m. EST.

Access: <https://usuhs.adobeconnect.com/ncdmphdisasterbehavioralhealth/>

Call in: [1-888-537-7715](tel:1-888-537-7715); Participant Code: 39933371

Association of State Floodplain Managers (ASFPM) Foundation Student Paper Competition

Abstracts (500 words or less) are due Jan. 31. Three semi-finalists will receive travel stipends to attend the 2017 ASFPM National Conference, April 30-May 5 in Kansas City, and will compete for cash prizes of up to \$1,000. More information, including examples of papers previously presented, can be found on the [foundation's website](#). ASFPM is interested in growing university connections and investment in the students who are our future. If you have university connections or know a student in programs related to floodplain management (such as natural sciences, engineering, planning, public policy or atmospheric science), please let them know about the competition. For more information contact [Diane Brown](#).

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- Our missing shield: the U. S. civil defense program in historical perspective
- A legislative history of federal disaster relief, 1950-1974
- American civil defense 1945-1984: the evolution of programs and policies

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