

## Higher Education Program News

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### Higher Education Updates

#### Message from Wendy Walsh, Higher Education Program Manager

Good Day All! This week we continue to follow up from all the contacts, feedback and activity of the Symposium. So far we have received only one follow up report from our breakout session. It is really important that we capture those session and disseminate the information. We will be sending out a reminder to the session leads, and I also want to extend an invitation to the participants in the breakout sessions to capture what impacted you in the session, what information you took away and how are you using or planning to use it. I am in the process of pulling together the after-action report for the symposium and I would love to include this information. Please [email](#) me with this information. We are also putting together the analysis and reporting plan for the Generations Panel and hope to have a draft completed by early August. Let me know if you are interested in participating in this effort.

June 16<sup>th</sup> we hosted our third higher education community call. We covered the symposium activities, the initial dialogue exploring the educational component of FEMA's National Training and Education System (NTES) and the newly developed special interest groups (SIGS). Last week I mentioned seven SIG areas and am happy to report that I did receive a couple of emails from folks interested in joining. I also was contacted with the suggestion to start an eighth SIG for "Emergency Management & Homeland Security Higher Education Unity of Effort." This SIG is looking to leverage some of the parallel efforts of these two communities such as curricula design, recruiting students and quality faculty, accreditation, internships and job placement. If you are interested in this SIG please send me an [email](#).

**New! EM Higher Education Community Conference Calls – Please join us.** The purpose of the call is to: learn from the emergency management academic community what is new and exciting in their world; find out about ongoing projects; discuss higher education community needs that we can address; and provide the opportunity for callers to ask questions. **Dates for the next conference calls are July 21, August 18, and September 15.** All calls will be held 2:00-3:00 p.m. EDT. Call information for July 21 is 800-320-4330, PIN: **549875**

**EM Hi Ed Webinar Series** - If you are interested in sharing your expertise, or would like us to cover a specific topic in a future webinar, please contact Wendy Walsh at [wendy.walsh@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:wendy.walsh@fema.dhs.gov).



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**College List** - The Higher Education Program updates the website in an effort to keep the information current. The college list is a compilation of college and university emergency management, homeland security, and related programs. Send your updates to [FEMA-emi-collegelist@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-emi-collegelist@fema.dhs.gov).

**Mark Your Calendars! The 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Emergency Management Higher Education Symposium will be held June 5-8, 2017** at FEMA's National Emergency Training Center in Emmitsburg, MD.

**The National Emergency Management Executive Academy** 2017 application period is open through August 5, 2016. The Executive Academy program was developed in collaboration with prominent higher education institutions. It hones strategic leadership and critical thinking for senior executives involved with multi-jurisdictional, national, and international homeland security and emergency management policy development and decision making responsibilities. Emergency management academic executive level leaders are encouraged to apply for the program. Go to the EMI [website](#) for more information or contact [Wendy Walsh](#) at (301) 447-1633.

## **Employment**

Florida International University is seeking a [campus safety officer](#). The position will work closely with emergency management and the university police.

The Department of National Security Affairs at the Naval Postgraduate School seeks applications for a non-tenure track appointment at the rank of [Lecturer/Senior Lecturer](#) interested in research and teaching in the fields of homeland security and homeland defense.

## **Resources and Announcements**

### **The FEMA APP: Helping Your Family to Weather the Storm**

Recording and slides from the June 9, "[Putting the Pieces Together: A Librarian & Disaster Response](#)" webinar now available. **Mary White**, Global Public Health Librarian at the Gillings School of Global Public Health, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, discussed her experience on disaster response teams in addition to providing consultation, training, and research support for the students, faculty, and staff affiliated with the school.

Oversight of the Cybersecurity Act of 2015 <https://homeland.house.gov/hearing/cybersecurity-act-2015-industry-perspectives/>

OIG-16-102-D FEMA Continues to Experience Challenges in Protecting Personally Identifiable Information at Disaster Recovery Centers <https://www.oig.dhs.gov/assets/GrantReports/2016/OIG-16-102-D-Jun16.pdf>



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[National Planning Frameworks](#) describe how the whole community works together to achieve the National Preparedness Goal. There is one Framework for each of the five mission areas, Prevention, Protection, Mitigation, Response, and Recovery.

**Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT).** During a disaster all resources are stretched thin, and emergency personnel are no exception. [CERT trained volunteers can assist others in their community following a disaster.](#)

[Cascadia Rising 2016 Exercise](#) addresses most complex disaster scenario.  
[Lessons are learned in Cascadia](#)

The Federal Emergency Management Agency is accepting comments on the *Individuals and Households Program Unified Guidance*. [Comments must be received by August 1, 2016.](#)

## Calendar

Each year, the PH/HA section of Medical Library Association receives funding from the Sewell Fund to send librarians to the American Public Health Association (APHA) Annual Meeting. The meeting this year is in Denver, CO Oct 29 to Nov 2. If you'd like to learn more about the award and APHA, please [register](#) for a webinar Thursday, June 30 from 2:00 to 3:00 Eastern. You will get 1 CE for participating in the webinar.

**Maturing Public-Private Partnerships Workshop.** The FEMA National Training and Education Division announced the certification of AWR-342, *Maturing Public Private Partnership Course*, developed by the Mid-Atlantic Center for Emergency Management at Frederick Community College. The 3-day, 20-hour workshop provides innovative techniques and integrated strategies to bolster societal security, resilience, and preparedness in the face of the unexpected. Participants are awarded 2 CEUs upon successful completion. Contact [MACEM](#) to [learn more](#).

## NETC Library

On May 27, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) issued its [outlook for the 2016 Atlantic hurricane season](#), which runs from June 1 through November 30. According to NOAA's Climate Prediction Center, the 2016 Atlantic hurricane season will most likely be near-normal. However, predicting the formation of Atlantic storms is particularly difficult due to forecast uncertainty in climate signals. All hurricanes could potentially cause significant damage, and it only takes one to change your life and your community.

[Assorted scholarly articles published in the past year relating to hurricanes.](#) You may also like to [browse our recent book titles](#)





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