



Program News for the week ending December 22, 2017

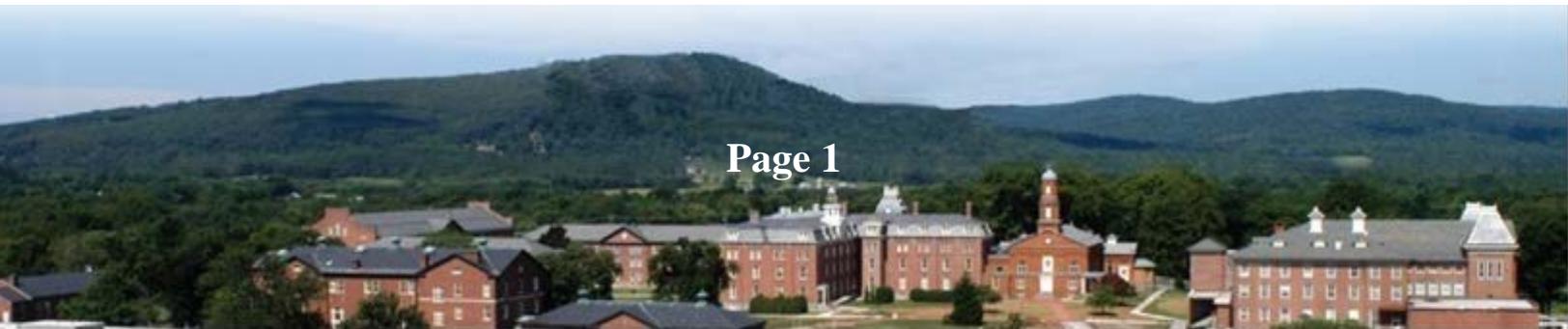
Higher Education Program Updates

Year End Message from the Branch Chief, National Training and Education System

A thousand years or a blink of the eye ago (May 2017), I joined the brand new National Training and Education System Branch knowing that I would have the privilege of working with the Higher Education Program in its support to a well-established and tremendously capable, dedicated, and forward-thinking community of educators, academics, and practitioners. I still see this community, at the end of the day, as devoted to ensuring that the nation can develop the next generation of emergency managers and homeland security professionals who will work together to achieve our goal of a secure and resilient nation. New to me was how deep the “rabbit hole” goes – the great breadth and depth of scholarship that has already gone and must continue going into achieving this goal. In the past few months, I’ve come some way in better understanding this world, but have a ways to go for sure. Lots of holiday fireside reading for me!

Perhaps a personal highlight of this holiday reading list is the draft Proposed Emergency Management Research Agenda, which represents a significant effort by the community in identifying those topics in disaster response, recovery, and resilience that most urgently need more research focus. I mention this effort in particular because of my interest in building more bridges between academia and the practitioner – finding more ways to bring your community’s outstanding scholars and scholarship closer to decision makers at FEMA and beyond. Wendy and I are working on other ways to bridge the campus and the field – for example, can we find more ways for students in higher education programs to serve in disasters and major exercises? Doing so would not only benefit our nation but also provide our students with much-needed experience that will serve them well alongside their coursework. Fact: some of the absolute best individuals I had the pleasure of working with in the field were students or recent graduates bringing energy, flexibility, and intelligence in great measure to their service.

A final thought I’ll leave you with is one of togetherness – apropos if not more than a bit cliché given the season, but hear me out. In “peacetime” (whenever that is), I know I can more easily find myself distracted by or overly focused on distinctions and differences between the various schools of thought in this business of preparing the next generation of leaders. However, this year’s extended season of disaster after disaster and my team’s deployments to California, Texas, Florida and Puerto Rico served to remind me that at the end of the day, when the nation is in crisis, *everyone* pulls together to safeguard, respond, and rebuild. In the field I saw emergency managers, first responders, homeland security professionals, local governments, non-profit institutions, faith-based and private sector partners and more working shoulder-to-shoulder to do what was necessary to start the recovery process. I return to the office even more convinced that this ultimate togetherness in purpose and action should be reflected in our scholarship wherever possible. For 2018,



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wherever we can teach our students and ourselves the art of coming together across lanes and lines, let's do so - if for no other reason than that's how we all come together anyway when the nation is in need.

From Wendy, Barbara, and me, a heartfelt *thank you* all for your great service to the nation in the classroom and in the field. Please enjoy a wonderful holiday season.

Dan Paulette-Chapman

A FEMA Higher Education Newsletter will not be sent on December 29 but will resume January 5, 2018.

Higher Education Program Webinars

The Higher Education Program regularly hosts webinars for the emergency management higher education academic community. If you have a pertinent topic or idea, contact Wendy Walsh.

The Next EM Higher Education Community Conference Call is Friday, January 19th, from 2:00-3:00 PM ET. 800-320-4330, PIN: 376368. Please join us. Learn from the emergency management academic community what is new and exciting in their world. Find out about ongoing projects and discuss higher education community needs that we can address. Contact Wendy Walsh with your discussion topics.

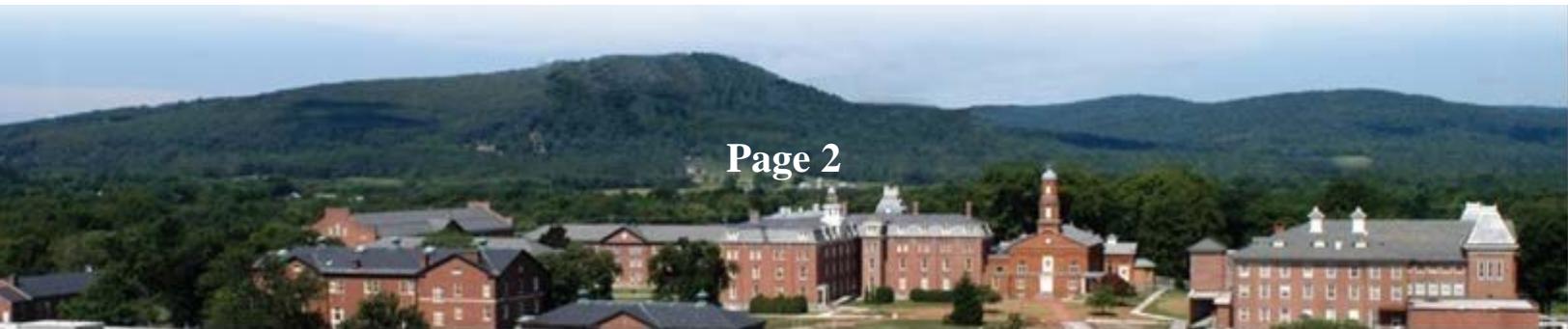
College List - The Higher Education Program keeps a list of colleges and universities that offer emergency management, homeland security, and related programs. Hi Ed staff do not provide college recommendations or discuss the relative merits of the colleges and universities listed. If you have a new program to include on the list or have program updates, please email FEMA-emi-collegelist@fema.dhs.gov.

Make a note on your 2018 calendar. The 20th Annual Emergency Management Higher Education Symposium will be held June 4-7, 2018, at FEMA's Emergency Management Institute at the National Emergency Training Center in Emmitsburg, MD. Information will be posted to the Hi Ed website symposium page as it becomes available. Reminder – Deadline for all international applications (119-25-1) is February 19, 2018. Security clearance typically requires 8-12 weeks to complete so the sooner your application is submitted the sooner the clearance can begin. Application and a copy of your passport should be submitted via email to the NETC Admissions office at netcadmissions@fema.dhs.gov. SID numbers are required for all applications including international. SID numbers can be requested at <https://cdp.dhs.gov/femasid>.

Employment

Vacancy announcements posted Emergency Management/Homeland Security Positions:

- Director, National Fire Programs, GS 15, CLOSE 12/28/2017, [FEMA-18-AW-193736-DE](#), Emmitsburg, MD



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- Supervisory Program Specialist, GS 14, CLOSE 12/28/2017, FEMA-18-AW-182338-DE, FEMA-18-AW-182338-DE, Emmitsburg, MD
- Emergency Management Specialist, IC 11-12, CLOSE 12/26/2017, [FEMA-18-TDS-195397-CORE](#), Santa Fe, NM
- Logistics Management Specialist, GS13, CLOSE 12/27/2017, [FEMA-18-LB-192893-MP](#), Washington, DC
- Deputy Director External Affairs, ES 00, CLOSE 12/27/2017, [FEMA-17-KH-DDEA-SES](#), Washington, DC
- Emergency Management Direct Hire Authority, GS 1/5, CLOSE 11/9/2018, [AFMC-10068846-DHA-GS0089-SP](#), Eglin AFB, FL

Higher Education Vacancies:

- [Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University \(AZ\)](#) – Instructor, Department of Security and Emergency Services
- [Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University \(FL\)](#) – Associate/Full Professor, Department of Security and Emergency Services
- [Old Dominion University](#) – Cybersecurity Lecturers (3 Openings)
- [University at Albany \(SUNY\)](#) – Emergency Preparedness – Assistant, Associate, or Full Professor
- [University of Utah](#) – Faculty/Track & Rank, Epidemiology
- [U.S. Coast Guard Academy](#) – Assistant/Associate Professor, Maritime Policy, Strategy and Governance

Resources

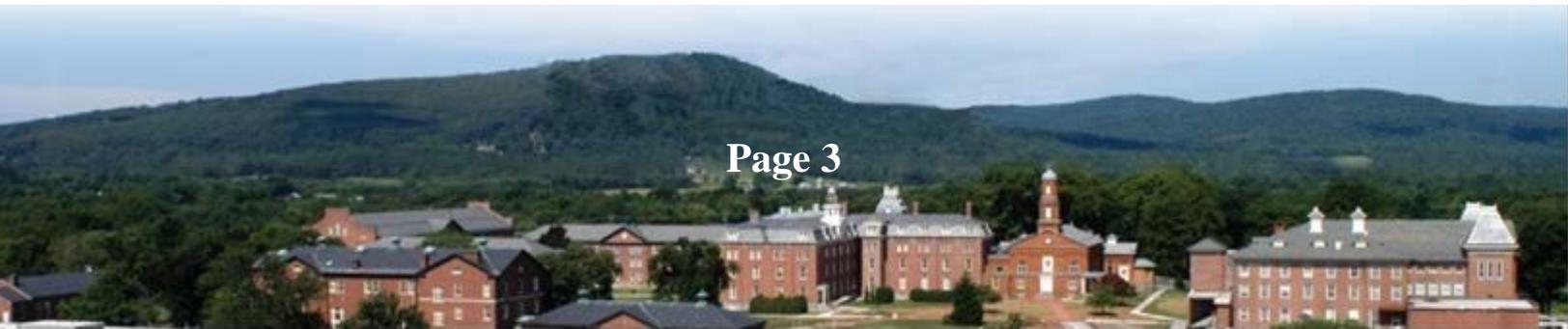
[News Release: DHS S&T Pilot Project Helps Secure First Responder Apps From Cyberattacks](#)

[Power Outage Incident Annex to the Response and Recovery Federal Interagency Operational Plans: Managing the Cascading Impacts from a Long-Term Power Outage](#)

[Protocol for Detection of Bacillus Anthracis in Environmental Samples During the Remediation Phase of an Anthrax Event: Second Edition](#)

The Disaster Information Management Research Center [Disaster Lit®: the Resource Guide for Disaster Medicine and Public Health](#) database has recently been updated, and is now available. Click on recent additions section.

[The Next Generation Core Competencies for Emergency Management Professionals: Handbook of Behavioral Anchors and Key Actions for Measurement, August 2017](#)



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The resources below were compiled through a variety of sources and included here as, perhaps, what could be interesting and relevant resources for research or classroom use. The links are provided as a convenience and for informational purposes only; they do not constitute any endorsement or approval by FEMA or the Higher Education Program.

Mass Fatality Research – New York & Beyond

Indiana's Emergency Response Guidelines for School Safety

DHS S&T is Enhancing the Autopsy Digital Forensics Tool

Calendar

Emergency Management Institute (EMI) - E0390 Integrating Emergency Management Education into Your Institution - This course is an interactive workshop designed to assist minority and minority-serving institutions of higher education (IHEs) in establishing or enhancing Emergency Management (EM) courses or programs in their institutions. It addresses issues unique to them, and begins the process of identifying and overcoming institutional roadblocks to increasing their schools' EM-related offerings. For additional information contact the course manager, Lillian Virgil, at (301) 447-1490 or Lillian.Virgil@fema.dhs.gov.

Target Audience:

- February 26-27, 2018, Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs) and Asian American and Pacific Islander Institutions (AAPIs).
- March 19-20, 2018, Tribal Colleges and Universities (TCUs).
- April 23-24, 2018, Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs)

Emergency Management Institute Weekly EMI e-Forums are 1-hour, moderated, webinar discussion forums that provide an opportunity for EMI and the emergency management community to discuss matters of interest on national preparedness training. EMI e-Forums facilitate a discussion of whole community-presented best practices. All e-forum webinars are scheduled 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. EDT. For questions or additional information.

Date: Topic:

1/3 Nothing Scheduled

1/10 EMI-Developed/State-Delivered G Courses: Best Practices from the States that Deliver Them

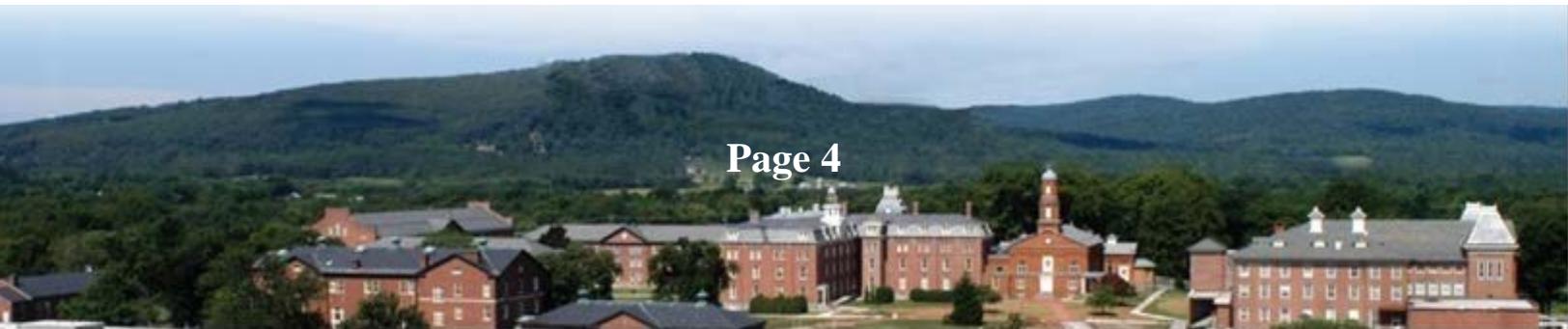
1/17 The Emergency Management Professional Program (EMPP): Aligning the Academies with the Certified Emergency Manager (CEM) Certification

1/24 Incident Management Teams: Innovation and Evolution to Build Community Capability

1/31 Nothing Scheduled

Login link: <https://fema.connectsolutions.com/emieforums> Conference call-in: 800-320-4330, PIN 107622

Our EMI e-Forums on Adobe Connect are mobile device accessible for those on the go.



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Emergency Management Institute Monthly Instructor Applicant Webinars last Thursday of the Month, 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. EDT. EMI is committed to building a cadre of instructors who are reflective of the diversity of the field of emergency management and current practitioners in the emergency management career field. The monthly webinar is an extended opportunity, in addition to the Tuesday weekly EMI briefs, for anyone interested in becoming a contract instructor for EMI. For questions or additional information.

Dates:

Thursday, December 28, 2017

Thursday, January 25, 2018

Thursday, February 22, 2018

Thursday, March 29, 2018

Thursday, April 26, 2018

Thursday, May 31, 2018

Login link: https://fema.connectsolutions.com/emi_instructor_applicant/

Conference call-in: 800-320-4330, PIN 663844

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