



Higher Education Program News

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Higher Education Program Updates

Message from Wendy Walsh, Higher Education Program Manager

This past Wednesday, we hosted the third in a series of four case study webinars. We are so grateful to Dr. Jane Kushma and Dr. Jean Slick for putting together these informative sessions. In this webinar, we discussed practical aspects of preparing and running case studies in the classroom. Sixty-five people participated in the webinar, and there was a good discussion regarding the case study practice and the need for an emergency management case study repository. Scott Melligan, a professor at National University and Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, brought a case study example from the Boston Marathon bombing incident and engaged in revealing dialogue with Dr. Kushma. Welcoming interested participants to join the Higher Education Case Study Special Interest group (SIG), Dr. Kushma also conveyed that creating an on-line repository of sharable case studies would be useful. If you are interested in joining the SIG, or have a case study that you would like to share, please contact [Dr. Kushma](#).

If you haven't had a chance to join one of the case study webinars, we have one more scheduled March 8. In addition, we will be offering a 4-hour-long, hands-on case study development and delivery workshop as part of the 19th Annual Higher Education Symposium on June 5. I hope you will register for these events soon!

Important dates to remember regarding the symposium are:

- February 28: abstracts are due
- March 2: international applications are due
- March 31: poster submissions are due
- April 24: domestic applications are due.

Visit the Symposium [webpage](#) for more information. We look forward to seeing you in June!

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.

- 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 covered in our Higher Education webinar series, contact Wendy Walsh at wendy.walsh@fema.dhs.gov.

Would you like to be part of the group of participants eligible for future Hi Ed projects, such as focus groups, student internship opportunities and course revisions? To receive a micro purchase contract for Hi Ed





projects, participants must have a DUNS number and be registered in the System for Award Management (SAM) database. Visit our [link](#) for more information and instructions. For those already in SAM, or have an expired registration, please update your registration and send your new expiration date to [Barbara](#).

[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.

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. Those interested in attending the symposium can download an invitation package, call for papers/presentations/posters submission form, and student volunteer information from the [website](#).

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 answer questions. **The date for the next conference call is Thursday, February 16**, from 2:00-3:00 p.m. EST. Let us know if you have topics you would like to discuss. The call information is **800-320-4330, PIN: 376368**.

Employment

Vacancy announcements posted for other Emergency Management/Homeland Security Positions:

- Emergency Management Program Specialist, GS-0301-09/09, OPEN 2/2/2017 / CLOSE 2/15/2017, [4W-ART-1906953-829778-TJM](#), Dover, DE
- Associate Administrator and Deputy Undersecretary for Emergency Operations, ES-0340-00/00, OPEN 1/13/2017 / CLOSE 2/13/2017, [NA-17-ES-001](#), Washington, D.C.
- Physical Security Specialist, GS-0080-12/12, OPEN 2/3/2017 / CLOSE 2/17/2017, [17-1334-SE-DB-M](#), Chesapeake, VA
- Emergency Management Specialist, GS-0089-13/13, OPEN 1/17/2017 / CLOSE 1/16/2018, [NCFL174559001892676S](#), Kennewick, WA

Higher Education Vacancies:

- [Angelo State University](#), Instructor – Intelligence, Security Studies and Analysis
- [Grand Canyon University](#), Adjunct Faculty – Understanding Terrorism's Threat (Online)
- [Shenandoah University](#), Adjunct Faculty - Public Health Programs
- [Utah State University](#), Assistant Professor – Master of Public Health Degree Program
- [Vincennes University](#), Adjunct Professor - Homeland Security and Public Safety





Announcements

FEMA is accepting applications until March 15, 2017, for 13 open positions on the National Advisory Committee (NAC). The NAC advises the Administrator on all aspects of emergency management, including preparedness, protection, response, recovery, and mitigation for natural disasters, acts of terrorism, and other manmade disasters. See [Membership Applications](#) for information about open positions and applying to the FEMA NAC.

Resources

"The collection of resources below were compiled through a variety of sources and are included here as perhaps interesting and relevant resources for research or classroom use. These 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"

[A Refocus on Disaster Recovery: The feds are increasingly swamped, so how do we rein in the costs of disasters?](#)

[Aspen Institute releases Homeland Security recommendations for 2017](#)

[The Electricity Sector's Efforts to Respond to Cybersecurity Threats](#)

[The Future of the Transportation Security Administration](#)

[Building a 21st Century Infrastructure for America](#)

[Cybersecurity: DHS's National Integration Center Generally Performs Required Functions but Needs to Evaluate Its Activities More Completely.](#)

[Congress Must Re-Set Department of Homeland Security Priorities: American Lives Depend on It](#)

[In 2017, The Insider Threat Epidemic Begins](#)

[Using Drones for Emergency Management](#)

[Chapter 4: CA: Drones – Two New Statutes – CA Attorney Advises: No Liab. Shoot Down Interfering Drone](#)

Calendar

31st Annual Governor's Hurricane Conference (GHC) is hosting a workshop for students to present their original academic research on *Thursday, May 18 from 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.* Students currently enrolled in institutions of higher education and who have taken or are taking emergency management-related courses are encouraged to submit an abstract for the GHC in May. The submission deadline is **March 10**. Student scholarship application or acceptance is not necessary. [For information and to complete an application.](#)

The Mary Fran Myers Scholarship Committee is accepting applications until **March 17, 2017**. Recipients will receive financial support to attend the [2017 Natural Hazards Center Research and Applications Workshop](#) in





Broomfield, Colorado, July 9-12. For more information and how to apply, visit the [Mary Fran Myers Scholarship](#) page at the Natural Hazards Center Web site.

NETC Library

[NETC Library Emergency Management Research Monitor](#) - A monthly update on recently acquired research studies on All-Hazards topics

[An attempt at quantifying disaster damage based on the use of collective intelligence](#)

[Auditing emergency management programs: measuring leading indicators of program performance](#)

[The dynamic process of social capital during recovery from Tropical Storm Irene in Vermont](#)

[Empirical analysis of volunteer convergence following the 2011 tornado disaster in Tuscaloosa, Alabama](#)

[Federal Emergency Management Agency response in rural Appalachia: a tale of miscommunication, unrealistic expectations, and "hurt, hurt, hurt"](#)

[An international comparative analysis of local hazard mitigation plan evaluation for flood: The USA, Japan and Korea](#)

[My community, my preparedness: the role of sense of place, community, and confidence in government in disaster readiness](#)

[Partnership behavior in disaster relief operations: a case study comparison of the responses to the tornado in Joplin, Missouri and Hurricane Sandy along the Jersey Coast](#)

[Self-reported and FEMA flood exposure assessment after Hurricane Sandy: association with mental health outcomes](#)

[Targeting vulnerable people with a social safety net: lessons from the CFW program for the 2011 Great East Japan Earthquake and tsunami disaster](#)

[Retrofitting for wildfire resilience: What is the cost?](#)

[Social media as participatory tools in post-disaster reconstruction: re-negotiating power relationships and achieving self-empowerment](#)

Find more: https://www.usfa.fema.gov/data/library/collections/all_hazards_alert.html

Download the [FEMA App](#) to receive weather alerts from the NWS for up to five different locations anywhere in the U.S.

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