



Higher Education Program News

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Higher Education Program Updates

Message from Wendy Walsh, Higher Education Program Manager

We are at the final hours of planning for the 19th Annual Emergency Management Higher Education Symposium. While there are a few loose ends we are tying together this week, we can clearly see the great program ahead of us! It has been a full week connecting with many community members who are finalizing presentations and travel arrangements. These conversations are always so inspiring and validate the passion, integrity and kindness of the emergency management higher education academic community.

I know that many of you are not able to join us this year, and like past years, we will be able to provide copies of session briefs and contact information to follow up with presenters. Most briefs will be posted on the Higher Education Program website within a month, and you can also request briefs by contacting Ms. Barbara Johnson. We are planning to host a webinar in July dedicated to symposium highlights. Look for details on that event in upcoming newsletters.

Next week, we will not be disseminating our newsletter, as we will be fully engaged in the symposium. You can expect our next newsletter to hit your mailbox June 16th.

The Higher Education Program hosts a webinar each month. If you have a topic or idea, contact Wendy Walsh.

Would you like to be eligible for future Hi Ed projects such as focus groups, student internship opportunities and course revisions? If interested, visit our [link](#) for instructions, or contact [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. [Send information updates](#).

The Hi Ed Symposium is here! [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, MD. As of May 25, 256 symposium applications have been accepted, and 16 student volunteers have accepted our invitation to assist at the symposium.

A few items to note in preparing for the symposium:



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- The Higher Education Symposium does **NOT** qualify for a stipend. You received a standard email message to which we are unable to make changes. You are responsible for your own travel expenses.
- Be very vigilant where the REAL ID Act is concerned. Many states have been granted limited extensions. Check your state to confirm compliance status before coming to the symposium. Follow recommendations regarding attending an event on a federal facility.
- If you have not signed up for meal tickets, **please do so as soon as possible**. Go to www.netcmealtickets.com. The selection should be based on the length of the course (June 5-8, 2017). For questions, call 301-447-1551.

The Next EM Higher Education Community Conference Call is Thursday, June 16, from 2:00-3:00 PM EDT. 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. Let me know if you have topics you would like to discuss. **800-320-4330, PIN: 376368.**

Employment

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

- Emergency Management Specialist (Response), GS-0089-11/12, 6/5/2017, [FEMA-17-WG-160329-MP-V](#), Oakland, CA
- Supervisory Emergency Management Specialist (Recovery), GS-0089-14/14, CLOSE 6/8/2017, [FEMA-17-TC-163221-DE](#), Oakland, CA & Bothell, WA
- Emergency Management Specialist, GS-0089-11/11, CLOSE 6/9/2017, [NY-10009647-AF-17-004](#), Westhampton Beach, NY
- Emergency Management Specialist, GS-0089-11/11, CLOSE 6/9/2018, [VHA-528-17-AQ1962088-TMS-BU](#), Buffalo, NY

Higher Education Vacancies:

- [Bellevue University](#) – Assistant Professor of International Security and Intelligence Studies
- [Capella University](#) - Core Faculty - Emergency Management - School of Public Service Leadership

Resources

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. The e-Forums facilitate a discussion of whole community-presented best practices. The panel members will discuss topics relevant to the whole community. These exchanges of ideas are free of charge and available to anyone who wishes to participate. Wednesdays in June 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. EDT.

Registration link: <https://fema.connectsolutions.com/emieforums>

Conference call-in: 800-320-4330, PIN 107622



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For questions, contact: <https://training.fema.gov/contactus/sendcomment.aspx>

FEMA Region I Higher Education Webinar: Risk Assessments, June 28, 1:30-2:30 PM EDT.

There are numerous risks that can affect a school or institution. The webinar will assist planning and preparing for risks that may be more common on your campuses or pose a greater risk than others.

Presenters:

- Region I University Emergency Managers, Geoffrey Bartlett and Stephen A. Morash
- Frederick Community College representatives will discuss EMI's Independent Study Courses as college credits for students on track for an Emergency Management degree
- U.S. Department of Education's Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools (REMS) Technical Assistance Center representatives will discuss risk assessments for Institutes of Higher Education and their templates and guides for assessing risks on campuses
- Carol Shelby will discuss her experience at Purdue University during the 2014 active shooter event
- [For registration information](#)

Calendar

2017 Disaster Resilient Universities (DRU) West Summit

Presentation topics include ways to advance and implement organizational resilience on West Coast campuses. The summit features presentations by subject matter experts, group discussions, and networking sessions led by higher education professionals. It will also include networking opportunities around pressing issues that participants want to discuss. Registration is open and space is limited (only 90 seats). For [registration and more information](#).

Date/Time: Thursday, June 15, 2017, 8:30 am - 5:00 pm

Location: Portland, Oregon - University of Oregon White Stag Building

Cost: \$85 (includes breakfast and lunch)

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