Higher Education Program News
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Higher Education Program Updates
Message from Wendy Walsh, Higher Education Program Manager

This week has been another very full week. The Higher Education Program hosted an outstanding webinar on FEMA Corps! We are very grateful to Meghan Curly, Katrina Mathis, Paul Whitman and Benjamin McNeil for sharing the program and their experiences. If you missed it, the key takeaways were: 1) This is a fantastic way for people ages 18-24 to get real-world emergency management experience, 2) FEMA Corps participants get a good amount of training, a stipend and can earn a $5,815 education award, 3) the application period for team members is open until April 1, 2017, and 4) FEMA Corps is interested in partnering with institutions of higher education and high schools to highlight the opportunity. If you are interested in exploring partnering, contact Katrina.

This past Wednesday, EMI hosted National Training & Education System (NTES) Branch Chief, Mr. Dan Paulette-Chapman. He arrived in Emmitsburg at 8:00 a.m. and spent a large part of the day with the Higher Education team, learning about our program and accomplishments of the Higher Education community of interest. He was very interested in our special interest group structure, webinars, annual Higher Education Symposium, and how education is helping build the next generation workforce. He asked a lot of insightful questions. He is planning to be at our Symposium in June, and I look forward to everyone meeting him!

Also this week, I attended an inspiring event at the Swedish Embassy entitled, “Strengthened Security and Resilience - Research & Development.” The event highlighted Sweden’s 10-year partnership with the Department of Homeland Security. While the main cooperation has been with DHS Science & Technology, this event highlighted work with FEMA, the DHS Domestic Nuclear Detection Office, and the DHS National Protection and Programs Directorate. This event was a kick-off for a series of events that will occur throughout the year about citizen empowerment, future first responders, public health, cybersecurity and strategies to counter violent extremism. If you are working in these areas developing curricula or conducting research and are interested in learning more about this series, please send me an email.

The Higher Education Program hosts a webinar each month. If you have a topic or idea for our Higher Education webinar series, 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 for more information.

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 members 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. Go to the website to download an invitation package, call for posters submission form, and student volunteer information.

EM Higher Education Community Conference Calls – The date for the next conference call is Thursday, April 20th, from 2:00-3:00 p.m. EDT. 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; and discuss higher education community needs that we can address. 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:

- Supervisory Emergency Management Specialist (Planning Section Chief), AD-0089-04/04, CLOSE 3/20/2017, FEMA-17-NPM-147042-IMAT, New York, NY
- Assistant Director, Mission Support, GS-0301-15/15, CLOSE 3/24/2017, MHCMP-1924860-MST, Miami, FL
- Emergency Management Specialist (French), GS-0089-13/13, CLOSE 4/5/2017, HHS-CDC-M5-17-1902335, Atlanta, GA
- Emergency Management Specialist (Spanish), GS-0089-13/13, CLOSE 4/5/2017, HHS-CDC-M5-17-1924374, Atlanta, GA
Higher Education Vacancies:

- Alamo Colleges – Adjunct Faculty, Public Administration
- Alamo Colleges – Adjunct Faculty, Information Assurance & Cyber Security
- American Public University System – Online Part-Time Faculty, Homeland Security
- College of Coastal Georgia – Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice and Security
- Corning Community College – Instructor/Assistant Professor of Community and Public Health Education
- Penn State, University Campus – Open-Rank Professor in Global Health
- Penn State, Beaver Academic Affairs – Network Security Instructor
- Syracuse University – Part-Time Faculty, Environment and Society
- Syracuse University – Part-Time Faculty, International Security (Summer)

Resources

The Current State of DHS Private Sector Engagement for Cybersecurity

“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”

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Journal of the Homeland Defense & Security Information Analysis Center, February 2017

Predictive Analytics in Higher Education: Five Guiding Practices for Ethical Use

Calendar

Memorial Honor Recognition, Governor’s Hurricane Conference, May 14-19, 2017. The "Memorial Honor" component of the Governor's Hurricane Conference® awards program will recognize those who have passed away during the year prior to the annual conference and who have made a substantial contribution to hurricane preparedness, response, recovery, mitigation or research in the State of Florida. Send information to ghclynn@verizon.net.
The International Association of Emergency Managers is seeking articles for their Bulletin’s special focus issue on 'Vulnerable Populations and Emergency Management.' Please review the author guidelines, and send your article submissions to Karen Thompson, editor, by May 10, 2017.

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