



Higher Education Program News

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Higher Education Program Updates

Message from Wendy Walsh, Higher Education Program Manager

We are just a week out from the 19th Annual Emergency Management Higher Education Symposium and are more excited by the moment! We have had a few last minute shifts in the agenda. Most of the changes we could accommodate, unfortunately one we could not, the Case Study Workshop scheduled for June 5th. Due to unforeseeable issues we will not be able to host the Case Study Workshop this year. I know that several of you were interested in this opportunity to build on our webinar series of the same topic and we will make every effort to offer it next year. If you haven't already made your workshop selections, please do so as soon as possible. The workshop schedule can be found [here](#).

This year's kick off plenary session will align with our theme, *Meeting Community Needs*. It will explore the elements of the emergency management higher education system, discussing the strengths of the system and identifying opportunities to collaborate with each other, the respective college/university community, and within and outside of the local community.

If you haven't already made your workshop selection, please do so as soon as possible. The workshop schedule can be found [here](#). As we did last year, we will be recording, transcribing and analyzing the dialogue to document what is discussed and discovered. If you are interested in participating in this post-symposium effort, please contact [me](#).

I would like to thank Ms. Heather Kirkland for her hard work on the 2016 Higher Education Symposium plenary research project. We will be providing a copy of the Generation's Panel report created from the last year's plenary session in the welcome packet for all symposium attendees. I am looking forward to seeing many of you in a couple weeks!

The Higher Education Program hosts a webinar each month. If you have a topic or idea, contact [Wendy Walsh](#). We will not have a May webinar due to Higher Education Symposium planning crunch time.

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 almost 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:

- 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.
- Please send an email with your workshop choices. A workshop schedule is on the website.
- We still need breakout session moderators to provide guidance for three sessions. Information for moderator/facilitator expectations is on the website where you will find a full agenda.
 - Tuesday, June 6, 3-4 pm: Diversity: A Necessary Component for Meeting the Needs of Communities/Linda Martinez
 - Wednesday, June 7, 3-5 pm: Key Themes in Disaster Preparedness Research for Older Adults/Mary Helen McSweeney-Feld
 - Thursday, June 8, 1-2:30 pm: Effective Utilization of Our Training and Education Pathways/Kathy Francis
- Please 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 (Training), GS-0089-12/13, 6/5/2017, FEMA-17-RJ-162927-DE, Bothell, WA
- Emergency Management Specialist (Preparedness), GS-0089-11/12, CLOSE 5/29/2017, FEMA-17-TM-163448-MP, Washington, DC





- Emergency Management Specialist (Mitigation), GS-0089-13/13, CLOSE 6/6/2017, [FEMA-17-TC-161203-DE](#), Washington, DC
- Emergency Management Assistant, GS-0303-07/07, 5/30/2017, [SWGJ170204441958427D](#), Nashville, TN
- Emergency Management Specialist, GS-0089-13/13, CLOSE 1/16/2018, [GS-0089-13/13](#), Kennewick, WA

Higher Education Vacancies:

- [Central Texas College](#) – Adjunct Faculty of Homeland Security
- [Liberty University](#) – Assistant/Associate Professor of Public & Community Health
- [University of Montana](#) – Assistant Professor of Epidemiology, School of Public and Community Health Sciences
- [Waubonsee Community College](#) – Adjunct Faculty of Health Professions & Public Service

Scholarship

International Association of Emergency Managers (IAEM) Scholarship Program application period is open. The program is for full-time students working on degrees in emergency management, disaster management, or closely related fields of study. [Application and additional information](#). Full-time students must apply by June 30, 2017.

Resources

FEMA is seeking feedback on a suite of National Incident Management System (NIMS) Resource Management [component guidance documents](#) that improve interoperability and mutual aid. The National Engagement Period will conclude at 5:00 pm EDT June 9, 2017.

Newly adopted InterAgency Board (IAB) publication, *Training Trigger: Operational Security and Mobile Devices*. This paper was authored by the IAB Training and Exercise subgroup and can be found in the [IAB website](#).

The resources below were compiled through a variety of sources and are included here as perhaps 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.

Cherokee Nation's Emergency Management team is now equipped with the expertise and vehicles to respond to a Type 3-level FEMA disaster. [Learn more](#).

A Bothell, Washington-based engineering company is working to develop technology that could help save community water systems during a big earthquake. [Learn more](#).



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Active Shooter Preparedness Table Top Exercise, Thursday, June 22, 2:30 pm ET. Speaker: Steve Crimando of Behavior Science Applications. [More information and to register.](#)

Calendar

[Naval Postgraduate School Center for Homeland Defense and Security](#) Emergence Program, October 22-27, 2017 and March 5-8, 2018, Monterey, California. The Emergence Program, a unique opportunity for homeland security/public safety professionals in the early career stages, provides an educational forum and innovation lab for participants to explore "emerging" trends in the world around us - e.g. technology, environment, and terrorism. Deadline is July 28, 2017. [Application and more information.](#)

The IAEM-Global Student Council invites all IAEM student members to participate in its 2017 Student Essay Competition. [Guidelines and information.](#)

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