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Program News for the week ending on October 13, 2017

Higher Education Program Updates

Message from the Higher Education Program Manager

This week I attended the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Office of Academic Engagement's (OAE) National Tabletop Exercise (NTTX) at the University of Utah S.J. Quinney College of Law. Three teams of students supported this event from the University of Utah, University of Akron and University of Nebraska at Omaha. I am incredibly grateful to the faculty, Dr. Stacy Willet and Dr. DeeDee Bennett, for their leadership in bringing students to this event. The student contributions and professionalism were outstanding. This outcome provides a strong foundation for future engagements and provides an incredible experience for the students to learn and network. OAE will be hosting regional and leadership tabletops, in addition to the annual NNTX, as part of their Campus Resilience Program, which will provide additional opportunities for student engagement. We look forward to continual collaboration!

I want to highlight the webinar opportunity coming up next week, Thursday October 19th at 3:00 p.m. I hope that you will make time to join this event as our Academic Research Coordination Focus Group will be presenting the findings of their efforts to discern a FEMA research agenda. This webinar is a part of the focus group's work, and the discussion and outcomes will be integrated into their final report. This is a very important opportunity for you to ensure your ideas and perspectives regarding emergency management research are heard. Details to register are found immediately below. I hope you will join us and register today!

Higher Education Program Webinars

October 19, 2017: *An Academic and Research Collaboration to Discern a 3-5 Year Research Agenda for FEMA, 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. EDT.* On August 8-9, 2017, ten Emergency Management academic research stakeholders met at the National Emergency Training Center in Emmitsburg, MD to discuss and discern a possible 3-5 year research agenda for FEMA. The outcome was a recommendation of five research thrust areas and five guiding principles for academic researchers. This webinar will present this information and provide an opportunity for the broader community to offer comments and feedback.

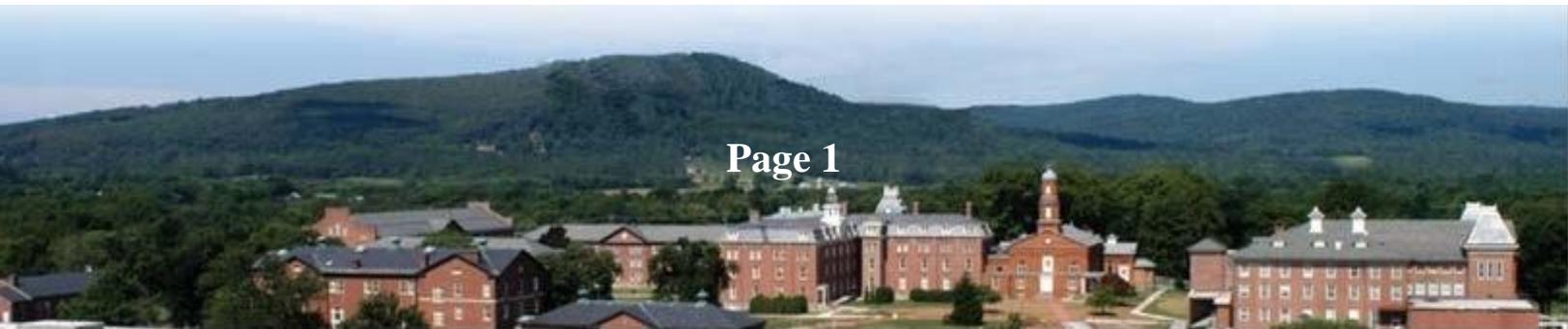
The objectives for this call include:

- To share the draft recommended FEMA research thrusts and guidelines
- To discuss additional considerations for feedback, refinement, collaboration and implementation
- To expand awareness and opportunities to participate in a FEMA research agenda.

To register click <https://fema.connectsolutions.com/femaresearchagenda/event/registration.html>

Conference Call In: 1-800-320-4330 PIN: 376368

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

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.

Employment

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

- Immigration Services Analyst (Emergency Management Specialist), GS 13, CLOSE 10/16/2017, [CIS-10057201-D23](#), Los Angeles, CA
- Information Technology Specialist (Security), AD 00, CLOSE 10/18/2017, [17-DTS-10023608](#), Washington, D.C.
- Emergency Management Specialist, GS 13, CLOSE 10/19/2017, [EUJN173354218988](#), Vicenza, Italy
- Student Trainee (Emergency Operations), GS 3-4, CLOSE 10/20/2017, [SWGR173149367454PI](#), Vicksburg, MS

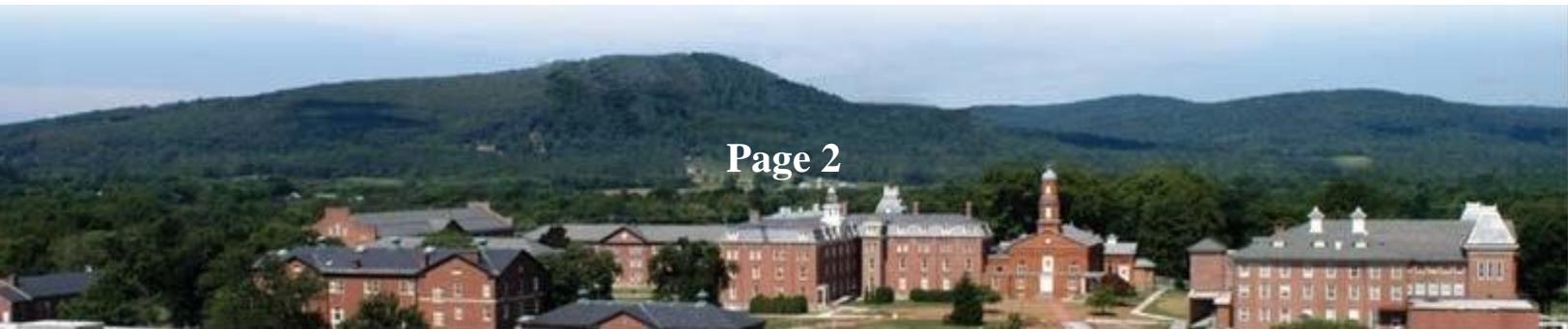
Higher Education Vacancies:

- [Liberty University](#) – Master of Public Health, Online Adjunct Professor
- [Northeastern University](#) – Cybersecurity, Open Rank Faculty
- [The University of Arizona](#) – Public Health/Epidemiology, Assistant Professor
- [Tiffin University](#) – Homeland Security and Terrorism, Online Professor
- [Tiffin University](#) – Intelligence and National Security/Government, Online Professor
- [University of California, Davis](#) – Epidemiology in Climate Adaptation Health, Tenure-Track Assistant Professor
- [Stanford University](#) - Emergency, Safety and Security Manager

Resources

Hurricane Response-How You Can Help

The compassion of the American people is evident in their response to the hurricanes that have swept over the U.S. mainland, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico.



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Those who wish to make a donation or volunteer their time and talents should visit the National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters website at www.nvoad.org. For more information, go to <https://www.fema.gov/hurricane-harvey>, <https://www.fema.gov/hurricane-irma>, or <https://www.fema.gov/hurricane-maria>.

NVOAD is coordinating closely with the governors' offices on offers of assistance. To provide assistance directly to the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, visit www.unitedforpuertorico.com. To provide assistance for USVI, go to <https://www.usvirecovery.org>. You may also make financial donations to a National VOAD member organization to help voluntary or charitable organizations continue to provide services to hurricane survivors.

There are opportunities to apply for rapid response research grants to conduct research exploring the impact and consequences of Hurricane Harvey.

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.

FEMA is urging all Americans to participate in the 2017 Great ShakeOut, the largest annual earthquake drill, as a way of learning how to react in the event of an earthquake. Here is [specific guidance](#) for higher education.

The National Flood Insurance Program announced rate changes effective April 2018. The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) provides the opportunity for homeowners, renters, and businesses to purchase flood insurance for financial protection against flooding. The NFIP is working with the Write Your Own (WYO) insurance companies to inform insurance agents and other stakeholders on the changes that will take effect next year on Apr. 1, 2018. Premiums will increase from an average of 8% beginning Apr. 1, 2018.

One disaster after another, could fatigue set in?

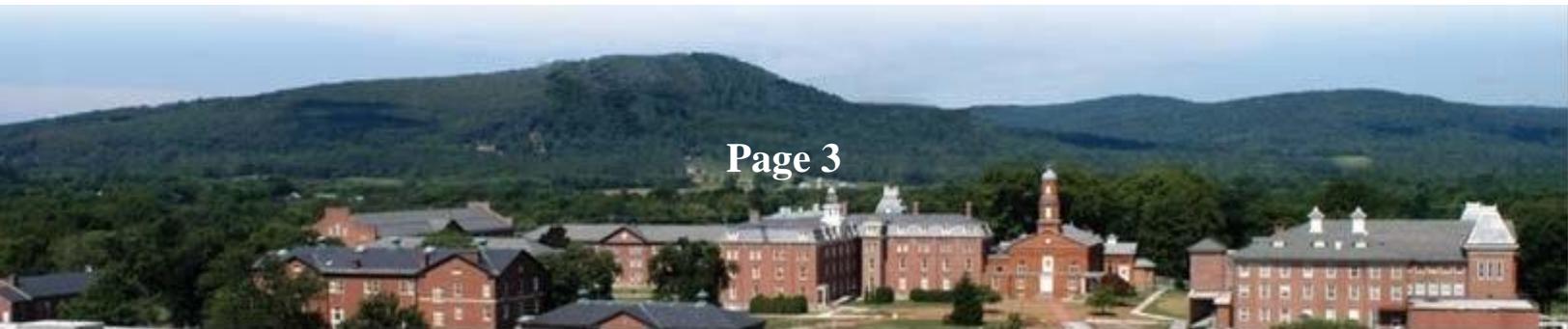
Getting Ahead of Hurricanes With Data-Driven Evacuation Planning

For 1st time, NASA uses Black Marble tech in disaster response—the images of Puerto Rico are amazing

Three Storms Demonstrate Five Forms of Flooding

The International Emergency Management Society (TIEMS), a partner of IAEM, published its latest newsletter in September 2017. TIEMS Newsletter Issue No. 30 includes news from TIEMS, as well as other global emergency management and disaster response news.

Disaster Debris Management: Requirements, Challenges, and Federal Agency Roles



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The National Alliance of State Animal and Agricultural Emergency Programs (NASAAEP) Summit, Tuesday, December 5 – Thursday, December 7, 2017, Gulfport, MS, is one of the country's premiere conferences for responders to animals in disasters and provides a forum for personnel and organizations working on emergency management of pets and livestock to meet, network, obtain the latest technical information and develop a shared vision.

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