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Program News for the week ending April 13, 2018

Higher Education Program Updates

Message from the Higher Education Program Manager

This week has been very inspiring. There are four BIG things happening this week. First, this week we have received the peer review results for all the Emergency Management Higher Education Symposium submissions. We reviewed these results this week and will provide feedback to submitters by the end of next week. I will start sending feedback today and would like to thank all of you who took the time to submit this year.

Secondly, we hosted an inspired webinar to share the work of a recent focus group that came together to explore possible pathways to develop academically rigorous case studies in disaster response and recovery environments. It was a very thoughtful and welcoming endeavor and immediately following the webinar, I received several emails and calls to discuss the topic. The development of this process will require a lot inputs, collaboration and energy. The Case Study Special Interest Group (SIG) will provide good focal point for this work to evolve, so if you are interested in participating I encourage you to join this group!

Third, this week I will be joining nine faculty who applied, and were successfully selected, to attend the American Education Research Association (AERA) meeting in New York City. They are serving on the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Focus Group. This group will be attending a variety of education research topics such as exploring various pedagogy, distance learning environments, systems thinking, education leadership, motivation theory, integrating technology, and simulation. This meeting is always mind opening and a wonderful place to network and learn from others! The group will complete a report of their experiences and also host a session to discuss their findings at the Symposium.

Last but certainly not least, we have begun to plan for a focus group engagement to facilitate discussions to more fully understand the current work, capabilities and possibilities of the emergency management academic community toward recognizing, building and sustaining cultures of preparedness. I will keep you apprised as these plans develop! Wishing you all a great weekend; hopefully we will feel some of that long-anticipated Spring weather.

Higher Education Program Webinars

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

Webinar: Next webinar is scheduled for May 1, 2018. The topic will be the Next Generation Core Competencies. Additional details will be posted in the newsletter and a training bulletin will be sent via GovDelivery.

The Next EM Higher Education Community Conference Call is **Friday, April 20th, from 11:00-12:00 p.m. ET., 800-320-4330, PIN: 376368. 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. Contact Wendy Walsh with your discussion topics.

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College List - The Higher Education Program keeps a list of colleges and universities that offer emergency management, homeland security, and related programs. Higher Education (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 or have program updates, send an email to FEMA-emi-collegelist@fema.dhs.gov.

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. Information will be posted to the Hi Ed website symposium page as it becomes available.

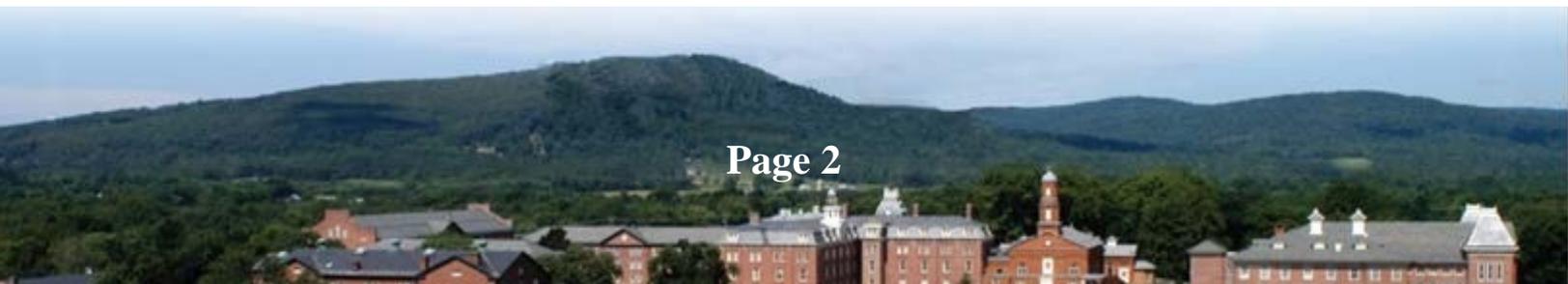
- SID numbers are required for all applications, including international. SID numbers can be requested at <https://cdp.dhs.gov/femasid>.
- The symposium [application](#) and [invitation](#) are on the website. **The application deadline is April 27.** Everyone, including presenters, entering the NETC campus for the Hi Ed Symposium must have an accepted application on file in the Admissions office. Security will not allow you on campus otherwise.
- [Student volunteer information](#) is available. Volunteering at the symposium is a great opportunity to learn and network.
- Everyone staying on-campus must purchase meal tickets, which must be purchased in advance. Please go to the [website](#) for meal ticket prices for your upcoming course. Hi Ed Symposium course code is E0392
- Now is the time to volunteer to be a session moderator. Send an email to [Barbara](#).

The Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL) Award recognizes outstanding SoTL efforts within the emergency management and homeland security disciplines. Sponsored by the University of Central Florida's School of Public Administration, this annual award is based on specific criteria and presented at the FEMA Higher Education Symposium. More information can be found on the [Hi Ed website](#).

Internship, Scholarship and Training Opportunities

The Office of Personnel Management (OPM) Recruitment Policy and Outreach Team assists thousands of job seekers, federal employees, students and recent graduates, veterans, academic partners, professional and minority-serving organizations, and others through their virtual and in-person briefings and presentations. The goal of OPM's no-cost sessions is to help individuals and groups gain a comprehensive understanding of federal employment, including the hiring process. Individuals interested in attending these briefings may register for classes by clicking the corresponding links. Questions about these programs should be directed to outreach@opm.gov.

- [Navigating USAJOBS](#)
- [Resume](#)
- [Interviewing](#)
- [Pathways Programs](#)



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Employment

Emergency Management/Homeland Security Vacancies:

- Emergency Management Specialist, IC 13, CLOSE 4/18/2018, [FEMA-18-JOB-221003R-CORE](#), Atlanta, GA
- Supervisory Emergency Management Specialist (Director), IC 14, CLOSE 4/23/2018, [FEMA-18-JMW-112233-CORE](#), Sacramento, CA
- Supervisory Emergency Management Specialist (Deputy Director), IC 14, CLOSE 4/23/2018, [FEMA-18-JMW-445566-CORE](#), Sacramento, CA
- Emergency Management Specialist, GS 9, CLOSE 4/23/2018, [1800361SOMP](#), Washington, D.C.
- Emergency Management Specialist, GS 11, CLOSE 4/30/2018, [NY-10174002-AF-18-275](#), Westhampton Beach, NY

Higher Education Vacancies:

- [Alamo Colleges](#) – Department Chair, Public Policy and Service
- [Oklahoma State University](#) – Visiting Assistant Professor, Geospatial Techniques
- [Old Dominion University](#) – Adjunct, Advanced Cybersecurity Law and Policy
- [Sam Houston State University](#) – Lecturer, Security Studies
- [University of North Texas](#) – Assistant Professor, Public Administration

Resources

FEMA is seeking public feedback on a number of [National Incident Management System \(NIMS\) Resource Management](#) component documents that enhance interoperability and the effectiveness of mutual aid. This National Engagement Period will conclude at **5:00 p.m. EDT on May 9, 2018**. The National Engagement Period provides an opportunity for interested parties to comment on newly development supplemental guidance. To review the documents and for webinar information, go to <https://www.fema.gov/national-incident-management-system/national-engagement>. To provide comments on the drafts, complete the feedback form and submit it to FEMA-NIMS@fema.dhs.gov.

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

Homeland Security Digital Library

- [2018-2022 Federal Emergency Management Agency Strategic Plan](#)
United States. Federal Emergency Management Agency
- [Mass Attacks in Public Spaces - 2017](#)
United States. Secret Service. National Threat Assessment Center
- [Understanding Federal Cybersecurity](#)
Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs

[Free Online Courses Enable Training of Spontaneous Volunteers Before or During a Disaster](#)

[Almost 2,600 FEMA Trailers, RVs Sit Unused in Beeville, Texas](#)

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[Florida Keys Waiting for Millions in FEMA Money After Irma -- and Hurricane Season is Near](#)

[City Council Adopts Stricter Development Rules for Houston's Floodplains](#)

[FEMA faulted for failed contracts to deliver hurricane aid](#)

[Predicting East Coast hurricane flooding risks](#)

Calendar

[Crisis Leadership: Promoting Emotional and Mental Well-Being Symposium](#), Thursday, April 26, 2018 to Thursday, April 26, 2018, Bethesda, MD. The symposium provides an opportunity to hear how leaders have handled stress in times of crisis, with particular emphasis on the disasters of fall 2017. During the half-day event, panelists also share best practices and recommendations for moving the field of crisis leadership forward. The keynote speaker for this event is Admiral Thad W. Allen, U.S. Coast Guard (Retired).

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