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Program News for the week ending April 27, 2018

Higher Education Program Updates

Message from the Higher Education Program Manager

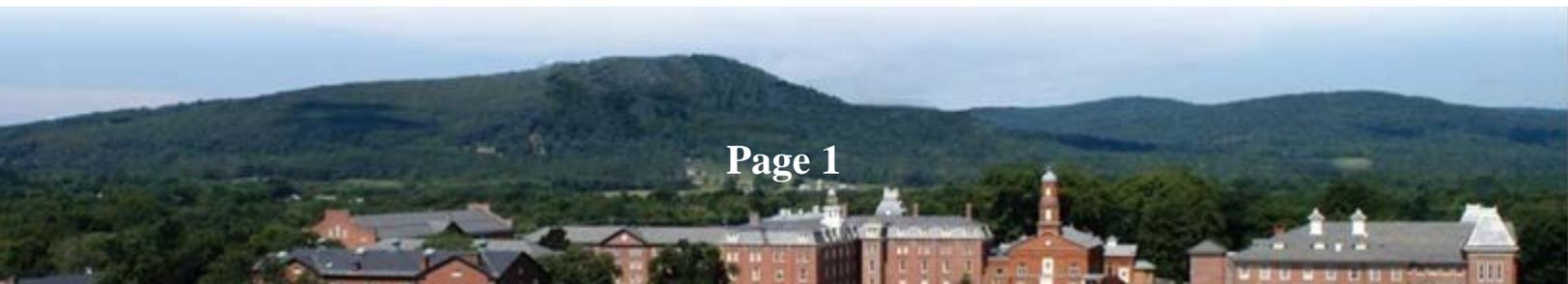
This week opened with a FEMA Higher Education Program brief to the E0390 Course, Integrating Emergency Management Education into Your Institution. This session was attended by minority-serving institutions with existing emergency management programs looking to grow and sustain them, as well as colleges and universities that are considering beginning programs. It is always an inspirational experience to meet and learn from the leaders of these programs. One of the instructors of this program is Meldon Hollis of Savannah State University. He has been an outstanding advocate and leader in emergency management serving both FEMA and the White House in positions with various intergovernmental, interagency and community resilience-oriented positions. We are honored to have Meldon lead our special interest group (SIG) on Race, Ethnicity and Economic Impact in Emergency Management. Last year, at our symposium, several people attended this SIG session Thursday afternoon, and I understand it was a dynamic discussion. Unfortunately, the roster and notes of that meeting were lost, which has challenged the follow up and progress of this SIG. If you attended this meeting, or if you are interested in participating in this SIG, please contact me so we can add you to the roster. Meldon would like to reach out to interested people to plan for their SIG meeting at this year's symposium.

Beginning next week FEMA will be hosting the National Level Exercise (NLE) 2018. This is not an exercise for someone else, this is an exercise for all of us. This week, the FEMA Higher Education team discussed the upcoming exercise, refreshed our emergency contact list and shared our family preparedness plans. We discussed possible rally points and the importance of charged cell phones and back up batteries. I hope that you will take a few moments next week to talk with your families and co-workers about their emergency plans. Thinking about threats that can affect you at home and when you travel is important to our resilience. Last year, when our nation was hit with several very destructive disasters, there was a call for people and resources. We reached out to our college and university community to ensure those affected by the disasters were ok and we heard from many who responded to help. As we participate in the NLE next week, we are interested in getting a better sense of your plans. Does your academic program work closely with the campus emergency manager? Do you have a campus community emergency response team (CERT)? Does your school serve as a shelter environment? Do you regularly deploy as a reservist or researcher to disasters? Do you have ideas or see opportunities for optimizing the Emergency Management Higher Education Community in exercises and actual real world response? I look forward to hearing your ideas and I will share them in upcoming newsletters!

Lastly, remember that today, APRIL 27th, is the final day to register for the 20th Annual Emergency Management Higher Education Symposium! I hope to see you all in June! Wishing you all a good weekend and week ahead!

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.



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Webinar: “The Next Generation Core Competencies (NGCC) Handbook for Emergency Management-What it is & How you can use it,” May 1, 2018, 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. EDT. [Registration](#).
Conference Call-In: 1-800-320-4330, PIN: 376368

The Next EM Higher Education Community Conference Call is Friday, May 18, from 2:00-3:00 p.m. EDT., 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.

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.

New Programs:

- [Catawba Valley Community College](#) – Associate in Applied Science in EM
- [Rabdan Academy](#) – Bachelor of Science in Homeland Security
- [University of Central Florida](#) – BA/BS in Emergency Management
- [University of Central Florida](#) – Master of Emergency and Crisis Management

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 in advance. Please go to the [website](#) for meal ticket prices for your upcoming course. The 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](#).

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Internship, Scholarship and Training Opportunities

International Association of Emergency Managers

The 2018 IAEM scholarship application period has opened — students must apply by June 12

Employment

Emergency Management/Homeland Security Vacancies:

- Supervisory Emergency Management Specialist (Recovery), GS 13, CLOSE 5/7/2018, FEMA-18-JLS-217202-DE, Bothell, WA
- Emergency Management Specialist, GS 12, CLOSE 5/7/2018, CAYQ-10166995-18-DZB, Augusta, GA
- Public Affairs Specialist (Stakeholder Relations), GS 13, CLOSE 5/7/2018, FEMA-18-JLS-212764-MP, Bothell, WA
- Director, Office of Intelligence, Security and Emergency Response, ES 00, CLOSE 5/10/2018, OST.SES-2018-0006, Washington, D.C.
- Deputy Assistant Administrator for Recovery, ES 00, CLOSE 5/17/2018, FEMA-18-KH-DAAR-SES, Washington, D.C.
- Emergency Management Specialist, GS 13, CLOSE 6/1/2018, HHS-ASPR-DH-18-10884400, Location Negotiable

Higher Education Vacancies:

- Rowan-Cabarrus Community College – Adjunct Faculty, Emergency Management
- Slippery Rock – Faculty, Safety Management
- University of Colorado Boulder - Director of Events and Emergency Management
- University of Houston - Emergency Management Specialist
- University of North Dakota – Director, Master of Public Health Program
- University of North Texas - Assistant or Associate Professor, Urban and Public Leadership

Resources

The Disaster Information Management Research Center [*Disaster Lit®: the Resource Guide for Disaster Medicine and Public Health*](#) database has recently been updated, and is now available.

On April 23, FEMA posted the draft Individual Assistance Program and Policy Guide (IAPPG) for 45 days of public comment. Comments must be received by FEMA no later than close of business, June 7, 2018. The draft and the comment matrix are posted [online](#). Please direct any questions to FEMA-IAPPG-Comments@fema.dhs.gov.

FEMA released an affordability framework, as required by the Homeowner Flood Insurance Affordability Act of 2014 (HFIAA). The framework titled, “*An Affordability Framework for the National Flood Insurance Program*,” provides the first ever data driven analysis of policyholder and potential policyholder incomes by flood risk and home ownership status. The framework suggests that both policyholders and non-policyholders with the lowest median incomes live in the highest hazard areas. The framework proposes several options for developing an affordability program for flood insurance and offers models of the costs of each option.

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Source: <https://www.fema.gov/news-release/2018/04/17/fema-releases-affordability-framework-national-flood-insurance-program>

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

['Earthquake Lady' Relates Her Decades of Understanding Science and Disasters](#)

[New Tech Suggests More Homes Near Des Plaines River at Risk of Flooding](#)

[Tech Suggests More River Flooding in Illinois, so Government Moves to Remove At-Risk Houses](#)

[Disaster Relief Official Calls Churches to Action](#)

['Georgia Is a Ticking Time Bomb:' FEMA Director Urges Hurricane Prep in Savannah](#)

Calendar

U.S. Department of Education Webinars:

- [Food Safety and Emergencies: Preparedness Activities for Schools](#)
- [Managing Donations and Volunteers Before, During, and After School and Campus Emergency Events](#)
- [Mitigation and Resiliency Strategies for Schools and Institutions of Higher Education](#)

DHS is sponsoring webinars on career opportunities. DHS is seeking hundreds of qualified individuals to fill critical positions in law enforcement, such as criminal investigators, deportation officers, Customs and Border Protection officers, Border Patrol agents, special agents, physical security specialists, and police officers. DHS will also be filling other critical positions to include emergency management specialists, intelligence analysts, and more. To learn more and for a webinar schedule, visit www.dhs.gov/recruitment.

On **May 23, 2018**, the National Information Sharing Consortium (NISC) will host a webinar with the Electric Infrastructure Security (EIS) Council on the [EARTH Ex 2018 Exercise](#). The webinar is scheduled for August 22, 2018. The exercise will provide participants with a unique opportunity to examine response and restoration postures. The exercise will use NISC developed tools and move the exercise portal into a new direction with feedback mechanisms and emphasis on Course of Action development. [Webinar Registration](#)

NASA's Applied Remote Sensing Training (ARSET) Program scheduled two free webinars (each offered twice) on [monitoring tropical storms for emergency preparedness](#), primarily intended for individuals and organizations engaged in emergency management. Session One: An Overview of Tropical Storms and Their Impacts, **May 3, 2018**, 6:00-8:00 p.m. EDT or **May 10, 2018**, 6:00-8:00 p.m. EDT. Session Two: Monitoring Conditions During and After Tropical Storms," **May 3, 2018**, 9:00-11:00 a.m. EDT or **May 10, 2018**, 9:00-11:00 a.m. EDT. [For more information and to register.](#)

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