Program News for the week ending July 20, 2018

Higher Education Program Updates
Hello Emergency Management Higher Education Academic Community & Friends! I feel like this is the first full week I have been in the office in a while, and there is so much to follow up on! The Higher Education Program team of Barbara Johnson & Danielle Green are extraordinary! Barbara coordinated an outstanding webinar this week, providing the highlights of our 20th Anniversary Higher Education Symposium. We had over 144 people register and nine presenters. If you are interested in the slides, you can find them on our website here. Thanks to Barbara and all our presenters!

Today, all FEMA employees nationwide were invited to participate in Diversity & Inclusion day. It was a wonderful event at the National Emergency Training Center (NETC). We saw the inspiring VTC from Ms. Allison Wise, the Office of Personnel Management’s Diversity and Inclusion Program Director, who spoke on “Maximizing Organizational Performance Through Diversity and Inclusion.” Also, we heard from our more local leadership, U.S. Fire Administrator Keith Bryant from the U.S. Fire Administration and Chief, Mitigation Branch, Ms. Lillian Virgil from FEMA’s Emergency Management Institute. The common message is that we have come a long way in increasing diversity and inclusion but we still have a long way to go. The path to more diversity and inclusion is self-assessment and self-awareness. There were so many good nuggets to take away from the engagement, and Lillian shared the one that really stuck. She quoted Vernā Myers, Harvard-trained lawyer, entrepreneur, author and cultural innovator; “Diversity is being invited to the party; inclusion is being asked to dance.” That resonates, and I hope we can all lead toward more dancing!

There is a lot going on next week, and I cannot wait to share more. Speaking of sharing, remember that this Friday, July 20 at 2:00 p.m. (ET) – I hope that you will have opened the newsletter early – is our community call. I always come prepared to share what is going on with the Higher Education Program, and I am curious to learn more about what you are doing. You will find the dial-in information below, and I hope to hear you on the line! Wishing you all a wonderful weekend!

Higher Education Website NEW Information and Resources
Recent addition:

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.

The Next EM Higher Education Community Conference Call is Friday, July 20, from 2:00-3:00 p.m. ET, 800-320-4330, PIN: 376368. Please join us. Learn from the emergency management academic community on what is new and exciting in their world. Find out about ongoing projects and discuss higher education community needs that the Higher Education Program can address. Contact Wendy Walsh with your discussion topics.
The 21st Annual Emergency Management Higher Education Symposium is scheduled for June 3-6, 2019, at FEMA’s Emergency Management Institute at the National Emergency Training Center in Emmitsburg, MD. In the coming months, we will post additional information to the Hi Ed website as it becomes available.

College List
The Higher Education Program keeps a list of colleges and universities that offer emergency management, homeland security, and related programs. Higher Education 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:
- Des Moines Area Community College – AA or AAS in Criminal Justice w HS Emphasis
- Des Moines Area Community College – Homeland Security Program Certificate
- Capella University – Ph.D. in Emergency
- Purdue University Global - Bachelor of Science in Fire and Emergency Management

Employment
Emergency Management/Homeland Security Vacancies:
- Supervisory Emergency Management Specialist (Response), GS 13, CLOSE 7/25/2018, FEMA-18-PH-240140-DE, Honolulu, HI
- Associate Director of Cyber Integration, SL 00, CLOSE 7/31/2018, DESTIMP-10241049-18-MH, District of Columbia

Higher Education Vacancies:
- Florida A & M University – Associate Professor, Epidemiology & Biostatistics
- Oklahoma State University – Visiting Assistant Professor, Fire Protection and Safety Engineering Technology
- University of Kentucky – Associate Professor, Epidemiology
- University of Maryland University College – Adjunct Faculty, Homeland Security
- Waukesha County Technical College – Faculty, Fire and EMS
- Illinois State University – Deputy Director, Emergency Management
- University of Minnesota – Emergency Medical Services Team Manager

Internship, Scholarship and Training Opportunities
The Florida Atlantic University (FAU) International Center for Emergency Management (ICEM), in collaboration with The Chaim Sheba Medical Center in Israel, is offering an Intensive Emergency and Disaster Management Leadership Training Certificate program in October, 2018. The program is expressly designed to meet the expanding, sophisticated training and leadership development needs of Region 7’s public safety, public health, first responder, emergency, crisis, and disaster management professionals. The curriculum is unique in the nation, developed and taught by global experts from Israel. The United Nation’s World Health Organization recognized the Israeli field hospital and IDF Medic Corps as number one in the world, leading missions across the globe to help anyone in times of crisis. FAU is bringing this expertise and practical application to its regional emergency management professionals. For more information, contact Rebekah Dickinson.

The Spring 2019 White House Internship Program is accepting applications. The spring term is January 16 thru April 12, 2019. The deadline to apply is Friday, August 24, 2018, 11:59 p.m. ET. All applicants must be at least 18 years of age by the internship program start date, and must be able to commit to the full internship term to be eligible. Any applications received after the deadline will not be considered. For more information and application.

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has dozens of job and internship programs for students and recent graduates. The website provides an overview of the Pathways Program and tips to help you prepare for the job and internship announcements this fall.

Resources
Principles of Data Sharing in Public Health Emergencies
Heat and Social Inequity in the United States
FEMA Awards More Than $16.8 Million for North Carolina to Mitigate Future Flood Loss
FEMA grants more than $6.2 million to the Texas Department of Transportation for emergency response and protective measures during Hurricane Harvey

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

Grants to Become Available for Coastal Resiliency Projects
Colorado Wildfire Update: Post-Fire Flooding Big Concern After Blazes Decimated Vegetation
Santa Rosa Sues PG&E, Seeking Financial Damages from October Wildfires

Calendar
The Uniformed Services University National Center for Disaster Medicine and Public Health (NCDMPH) will be hosting the Disaster Health Education Symposium on September 12, 2018, at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda, Maryland. This symposium will provide a forum with a focus on education and training in disaster medicine and public health. For more information and to register.
- No cost to participate.
- Four-hour tabletop exercise over three advancing phases.
- Begin play when you want. The exercise will be available all day on the 22nd.
Address questions to: EARTHEX@EISCouncil.org

FEMA and the National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (National VOAD), third annual Partnership Day, Wednesday, July 25, 2018, FEMA HQ and Holiday Inn Capitol Ballroom, 400-550 C St. SW, Washington, DC. Discover how our voluntary, faith-based, community-based, and association partners support survivors before, during, and after disasters. Meet comfort dog teams, chat with partner representatives, and network with other professionals, academicians, students, and volunteers in emergency management, and related fields. For more information, contact the FEMA Voluntary Agency Coordination team.

Women in Leadership Forum: Women in Politics, Wednesday, October 3, 2018, 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., Highline College - Building 2, 2400 S 240 St, Des Moines, WA 98198. For more information, contact Kellie Hale, Center of Excellence - Homeland Security Emergency Management.

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