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Program News for the week ending July 27, 2018

Higher Education Program Updates

WOW! It is the last full week of July- the months are flying by! Last Friday, we had a very robust community call. Some of the topics participants shared were youth preparedness and how they share training and education and information on electronic platforms. Additionally it may be of interest the FEMA's Youth Preparedness Council (YPC), met last week. Check out the FEMA podcast to learn more about the YPC and what these amazing members are doing to promote a culture of preparedness. I really enjoy these monthly calls as I always learn more about the great work that is happening across the nation! This week I had the honor and pleasure of presenting the FEMA Higher Education Program to the Maryland State Department of Education Homeland Security Technology and career high school teachers. This was my third year, and it was nice to see some familiar faces and meet new people. Maryland is an exemplar in creating career pathways at the high school level for homeland security and emergency management. This year, their topic was looking at gender diversity. On Tuesday, they hosted a great panel on Inspiring Gender Diversity in the Workplace. They recorded the session, and we will post the link when it is available. My big take away was that mentoring matters. It is important that we build community and create a welcoming environment to support a culture of belonging in the emergency management and homeland security industry.

At the end of last week, I met with education colleagues at the National Emergency Training Center (NETC) representing the Emergency Management Institute (EMI) and the U.S. Fire Administration (USFA). We came together to discuss possible opportunities to support efforts and collaborate. Each of our education programs host an annual symposium or summit here in Emmitsburg, MD and we discussed the possibility of doing more cross-promotion to connect the community efforts. There are some certain commonalities, such as integrating research into curricula, sharing successful teaching strategies, promoting diversity and connecting academic and practice communities. We will begin this discussion at our next Information Sharing & Symposium Planning Special Interest Group (SIG) scheduled for Monday, August 6, from 2:30-3:30 PM ET. If you are interested in joining this conversation or want to convey your ideas on this topic, send me an email.

Lastly, we have firmed up the next webinar date to provide highlights from the last Natural Hazards Workshop. It will be Tuesday, August 21, from 2:30-3:30 PM ET. Mark your calendars now and look for a registration link in early August. Wishing you all a great 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.

The Next EM Higher Education Community Conference Call is Friday, August 17, from 2:00-3:00 PM 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

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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.

Employment

Emergency Management/Homeland Security Vacancies:

- Emergency Management Specialist, GS 13, CLOSE 7/31/2018, [CMS-OSSO-18-10261023-ST](#), Woodlawn, MD
- Emergency Management Specialist, GS 11, CLOSE 7/31/2018, [CBDL-10259442-18-BNS](#), Martinsburg, WV
- Emergency Management Specialist (Response), GS 13, CLOSE 8/2/2018, [FEMA-18-KDS-238774-MP](#), Oakland, CA
- Emergency Management Specialist (Situation Unit Leader), IT 02, 8/2/2018, [FEMA-18-SLB-243868-IMAT](#), New York, NY
- Emergency Management Specialist (Preparedness), GS 13, CLOSE 8/6/2018, [FEMA-18-KDS-240302-DE](#), Sacramento, CA; Agana, GU; Honolulu, HI
- Supervisory Management Analyst, GS 15, CLOSE 7/27/2018, [FEMA-18-SB-237956-MP-R](#), Washington, DC
- Industrial Hygienist, GS 13, Closes 7/30/2018, [FEMA-18-TM-243334-DE](#), Anniston, AL

Higher Education Vacancies:

- [Henry Ford College](#) – Adjunct Faculty, Public Safety Pathway Program
- [Indiana University of Pennsylvania](#) – Temporary Faculty, Geography & Regional Planning
- [Johnson County Community College](#) – Adjunct/Assistant Professor, Fire Science
- [Marshall University](#) – Assistant Professor, Public Health Graduate Program
- [Monmouth University](#) – Adjunct, Gang Intelligence
- [Yale University](#) – Director of Emergency Management

Internship, Scholarship and Training Opportunities

The White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities (WHIHBCU) launched HBCU Competitiveness Scholars, a student recognition program designed to honor current HBCU students for their

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competitiveness, i.e., successfully preparing to compete for top opportunities that improve standards of living in their communities. For more information. Submit all nomination forms to: hbcuscholars@ed.gov no later than August 10, 2018.

Resources

The Federal Emergency Management Agency announces the release of new PrepTalks on School Safety. Michele Gay and Kristina Anderson share their personal stories and expertise to make you a school safety advocate.

- **Watch** PrepTalks by clicking below.
 - [PrepTalk: Rethinking School Safety](#)
 - [PrepTalk: Safety is Personal - Lesson Learned as a Survivor of the Virginia Tech Tragedy](#)
- **Share** PrepTalks with your friends, family, and colleagues. Use the message below or craft your own.
 - *Be an advocate for school safety, watch these new PrepTalks to learn how:*
www.fema.gov/PrepTalks/gay & www.fema.gov/PrepTalks/anderson
- **Use** PrepTalks in your other projects
 - All PrepTalks are available at <https://www.fema.gov/PrepTalks>.

PrepTalks are a partnership between FEMA, the International Association of Emergency Managers, the National Emergency Management Association, the National Homeland Security Consortium, and the Naval Postgraduate School Center for Homeland Defense and Security.

International Forum to Advance First Responder Innovation (IFAFRI)

The **Disaster Information Management Research Center** Disaster Lit®: Database for Disaster Medicine and Public Health updated database is now available.

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.

The Association of University Centers on Disabilities (AUCD) in spring of 2018 conducted telephone interviews with University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (UCEDD) in the U.S. Territories of Guam, Puerto Rico, American Samoa, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. The interviews covered emergency preparedness in the territories, the impact disasters have on children and adults with disabilities, the individuals who serve these populations, and the role each center plays during and after a disaster. A white paper summarizes key learnings from recent disasters impacting specific territories and policy recommendations for UCEDDs, as well as government leaders at the federal, state, and territorial levels.

Homeland Security Digital Library

- [Election Security Update: Top 18 Most Vulnerable States](#)

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- [Enhancing School Safety Using a Threat Assessment Model: An Operational Guide for Preventing Targeted School Violence](#)
- [Islamic State and Drones: Supply, Scale, and Future Threats](#)
- [Reducing Gang Violence: A Randomized Trial of Functional Family Therapy](#)

[Dr. Paula Gordon provided a link to her recent interview with Todd DeVoe of EM Weekly](#)
[California Lawmakers to Tackle Key Wildfire Question: Who Pays for Damages?](#)
[Disaster Recovery Report Says Texas Must Rethink Its Long-Term Recovery Efforts](#)
[Congressmen Want More Spanish-Speaking FEMA Workers in Rio Grande Valley](#)
[Tracking Hurricanes with Technology on the Ground and in the Air](#)
[Future-Ready Learning: Outfitting Students for Workforce Readiness](#)

Calendar

Webinar: Data Management in Disasters & Public Health Emergencies, August 9, 2018, 1:30 PM ET.

Nicole Strayhorn, NLM Associate Fellow, will discuss the results of her project to identify open data sources and data sharing policies used during disasters and public health emergencies. For the purposes of this short-term project, she narrowed her research to the data needs of stakeholders, and the challenges of sharing and accessing data around the ongoing Zika virus outbreak.

Meeting URL (Open in Internet Explorer browser):

<https://nih.webex.com/nih/onstage/g.php?MTID=e507a7198bba10f198d1030b78582a8b6>

Event Key: 1234

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