

# Monthly Newsletter



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## NATIONAL DISASTER & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT UNIVERSITY

## News from the NDEMU Branches

### Preparedness:

**Preparedness Branch** welcomes three new team members in January-February 2025. We are excited to announce the addition of Ronnie Willet and Jordan Skyberg to the NDEMU Preparedness Branch. Ronnie and Jordan will be working on course design for the new ICS Position Training in development. They join current Delivery and Design team members Sabra Arnold, Bob Patrick, Ray Morgan, Rocky Loera, Joe Brady, Mary Reeves, and Dan Lubman, who is currently detailed to the National Preparedness Directorate, Office of the Assistant Administrator.

### Mitigation:

**Dam Safety Program:** The **2025 E8535 National Dam Safety Program Technical Seminar** will occur February 19-20, 2025. The title of this year's seminar is "*Innovations in Dam Safety: Collaborative State and Federal Efforts*" The seminar promises to be an enlightening journey into the latest industry trends and insights, offering a unique opportunity to gain valuable knowledge and perspectives that will inspire and elevate dam safety practices across the nation. Registration is currently open, and participants can register via the [NETC Online Admissions Application](#) using their SID or PIV information. If you have any questions, please contact the course manager at [FEMA-EMI-MIT@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-EMI-MIT@fema.dhs.gov).

**Higher Education Program Training:** The 2025 course delivery schedule for the L0363 Emergency Management for Higher Education course has been confirmed. This Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) course is designed to be delivered to **teams of campus personnel** who are responsible for creating, reviewing, implementing, and exercising emergency operations plans (EOPs). The target audience for this course is people who have traditional response or strategic experience, but minimal experience in emergency management planning. The three-day course is primarily interactive presentations coupled with numerous individual and group exercises.

The host locations and dates are:

Dates	Location	City, State
April 29 – May 1	University of Nebraska	Omaha, NE
TBD	Lower Columbia College	Longview, WA
June 3 – 5	University of Connecticut	Storrs, CT
June 10 -12	California State University	Long Beach, CA
June 24 – 26	Hampden-Sydney College	Hampden-Sydney, VA
July 15 – 17	Governors State University	University Park, IL
July 29 – 31	San Jose University, CA	San Jose, CA

August 5 – 7	Pierce County Emergency Management	Tacoma, WA
August 12 – 14	Rowan University	Glassboro, NJ
August 19 – 21	Niagara University	Lewiston, NY

For more information on how to register for these classes, please contact the course manager at [FEMA-EMI-MIT@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-EMI-MIT@fema.dhs.gov).

**General Mitigation Information:** Registration is open via the National Emergency Training Center (NETC) Online Admissions system for all Emergency Management Institution (EMI) Mitigation courses. However, if you need training for your Position Task Book (PTB), registration must be completed in the Deployment Tracking System (DTS).

If you have questions about Mitigation course deliveries, please contact the EMI Mitigation Branch at [FEMA-EMI-MIT@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-EMI-MIT@fema.dhs.gov).

**Reminders for PTB Mitigation Requirements:** If you need Mitigation courses to support Position Task Book (PTB) requirements, please contact the FEMA Incident Workforce Academy/Workforce Development Division training team at: [fema-fqs-training@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:fema-fqs-training@fema.dhs.gov) to coordinate.

### Emergency Management Professional Program (EMPP):

The EMPP Academies and the PIO Program continue with a full slate of course offerings around the country this month. Here is a list of the EMPP courses scheduled in the field (L), on campus (E), or online (K) for February 2025:

Basic Academy Course Number*	Location	Dates
L0105*	Shreveport, LA	February 3-5
L0102*	Albuquerque, NM	February 3-5
L0101*	Jacksonville, FL	February 3-7
L0101	Online	February 3-14
L0105*	Bremerton, WA	February 4-6
L0102*	New Brighton, MN	February 4-6
L0102*	Philadelphia, PA	February 4-6
L0103*	Albuquerque, NM	February 6-7
L0103*	New Brighton, MN	February 7-8
L0102*	Stafford, VA	February 10-12
L0102*	Ewing Township, NJ	February 10-12
L0101*	Mobile, AL	February 10-14
L0101*	North Little Rock AR	February 1-14
L0105*	Gretna, LA	February 12-14
L0101*	Marinette, WI	February 17-21
L0101*	Nashville, TN	February 17-21
L0102*	Olympia, WA	February 18-20
L0105*	Niceville, FL	February 18-20
L0105*	San Antonio, TX	February 19-21
K0146*	Online (VHA only)	February 20-21
L0105*	Marysville, OH	February 24-26
L0102*	Denton, TX (RVI)	February 24-26
L0103*	Ewing Township, NJ	February 25-26
L0103*	Denton, TX (RVI)	February 27-28
Advanced Academy Course Number	Location	Dates
E0452**	Emmitsburg, MD	February 3-7

Advanced Academy Course Number	Location	Dates
L0452**	Southfield, MI	February 24-28
Public Information Officer Course Number	Location	Dates
L0388*	Opelika, AL	February 3-7

\*These offerings are by invitation only

\*\*Only open to accepted Advanced Academy students

For more information about the Basic Academy, please contact: Rich Bashioum at: [richard.bashioum@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:richard.bashioum@fema.dhs.gov).

For more information about the Public Information Officer Program, please contact: Nicole Shutts at: [nicole.shutts@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:nicole.shutts@fema.dhs.gov).

For more information about the Advanced Academy, please contact Doug Kuhn at: [douglas.kuhn@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:douglas.kuhn@fema.dhs.gov).

## Integrated Emergency Management (IEM)

**Virtual Tabletop Exercise (VTTX):** As we align our internal programs for the National Disaster and Emergency Management University, the Integrated Emergency Management Branch will no longer offer the VTTX program. If you have any questions, please reach out to the IEM Branch at [fema-emi-iemb@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:fema-emi-iemb@fema.dhs.gov).

**Integrated Emergency Management Branch Support to the Field:** This past fall, the Integrated Emergency Management Branch proudly deployed several staff members to Western North Carolina in response to historic flooding from hurricane Helene. While our primary mission is to support State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial partners in preparedness, participating in an actual emergency response offered invaluable insights. These real-world experiences further enhance our ability to train and support those who respond to emergencies daily. Meanwhile, back at home, the rest of our team worked tirelessly.

## Mission Support

**Community Emergency Response Team (CERT):** Effective February 3, 2025, Stacey Mickles is the Program Lead for the NDEMU CERT portfolio; she can be reached at [Stacey.mickles@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:Stacey.mickles@fema.dhs.gov).

## Ask a Course Manager

**Where can I find ICS 300/400 Course offerings?**

Access to the [G-Course website](#) is restricted to STOs, RTMs, and Tribal Training Coordinators. To request access, contact Lauren Bond, the G-Course Program Manager at: [fema-g-courses@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:fema-g-courses@fema.dhs.gov).

## Current Training Opportunities:

Please refer to the [NDEMU Course Schedule](#) for a complete list of upcoming course offerings.

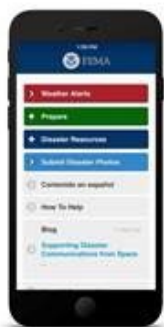
## For More Information:

- [NDEMU Course Catalog](#)
- [NDEMU Course Schedule](#)
- [NDEMU Student Portal](#)
- [NDEMU Programs and Activities](#)
- [State Training Officers Contact List](#)
- [Independent Study Program FAQs](#)
- [FEMA Student Identification \(SID\) System website](#)

## EMI Program Points-of-Contact:

EMI Branch	Email
EMPP	<a href="mailto:emp@fema.dhs.gov">emp@fema.dhs.gov</a>
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