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Message from the Higher Education Program Manager

Dear Emergency Management Higher Education Academics & Friends,

The Fall term is here! I continue to be impressed with the collaboration and exchange of information to support successful teaching and learning. I am grateful to Dr. Caroline Hackerott and Professor Elizabeth Grey for delivering an outstanding two-part webinar workshop on designing remote and online courses for student engagement. The [material and recording can be found at https://www.chds.us/ed/items/21206](https://www.chds.us/ed/items/21206) if you were unable to join us live or would like to download the resources. You will notice the webinar link is from the Naval Postgraduate Center for Homeland Defense and Security (CHDS). This delivery was a collaboration with the CHDS University and Agency Partnership Program (UAPP). They have been wonderful partners to facilitate the exchange of knowledge and information for both the emergency management and homeland security academic faculty community. I encourage you to [explore their program website at https://www.uapi.us](https://www.uapi.us) to learn more about their resources and consider marking your calendar for the 13th Annual Homeland Defense & Security Education Summit planned for November this year.

Earlier this week the International Association of Emergency Management (IAEM) Training and Education Subcommittee hosted a meeting to share information. They continue to look for partners to support their ‘fact sheet’ project to translate emergency management research for practitioners. If you or your students might be interested in supporting this effort, please send us an email at wendy.walsh@fema.dhs.gov and we will ensure you are connected and receive their template. They also highlighted the registration for the upcoming [virtual IAEM conference which is now open at https://www.iaem.org/usconf](https://www.iaem.org/usconf). There are several sessions scheduled on connecting and fostering collaboration between academic and practitioner efforts and many sessions presented by members of our HiEd community of practice.

Wishing you all a good weekend and continued health!



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The HiEd Community conference call is Friday, September 18, 2020, from 2-3 p.m. ET on ZoomGov. Link to the community call (<https://fema.zoomgov.com/j/16046780270>). Meeting ID: 160 4678 0270, Password: 621901. Learn from the emergency management academic community about what is new and exciting in their world. Find out about ongoing projects and discuss community needs that the HiEd Program can address. Contact Wendy Walsh, wendy.walsh@fema.dhs.gov, with discussion topics.

Special Interest Groups (SIGs). The HiEd Program encourages the organization of SIGs to support the increased exchange of knowledge in specific areas and applications of emergency management education. SIG members can potentially become involved in co-authoring/researching and serving as mentors to students and as subject matter experts to practitioners. [Click here for more information and a list of SIGs](https://training.fema.gov/hiedu/specialinterest/sig.aspx) (<https://training.fema.gov/hiedu/specialinterest/sig.aspx>). To join a SIG, send an email to Rebecca Burns at Rebecca.Burns@associate.fema.dhs.gov.

College List

The College List, located at <https://training.fema.gov/hiedu/collegelist>, is a comprehensive online resource that outlines programs at all levels of study in emergency management (EM), homeland security (HS) and related fields. Information is stored in a program database for analysis and management. HiEd Program staff do not provide college recommendations or discuss the relative merits of the colleges and universities listed. If you have a new or updated program to include, send an email to fema-emi-collegelist@fema.dhs.gov.

New Programs:

- Slippery Rock University (<https://www.sru.edu/academics/colleges-and-departments/cla/departments/homeland-corporate-security-studies>) - Bachelor of Science in Homeland Security
- Slippery Rock University (<https://www.sru.edu/academics/colleges-and-departments/cla/departments/homeland-corporate-security-studies>) - Certificate in Emergency Management
- Slippery Rock University (<https://www.sru.edu/academics/colleges-and-departments/cla/departments/homeland-corporate-security-studies>) - Minor in Emergency Management
- Lenoir Community College (<https://www.lenoircc.edu/programsofstudy/emergencymanagement>) - General Certificate in Emergency Management (CTE)
- Lenoir Community College (<https://www.lenoircc.edu/programsofstudy/emergencymanagement>) - Specialized Certificate in Emergency Management



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Federal vacancies are posted on [USAJOBS](https://www.usajobs.gov) at <https://www.usajobs.gov>. When you save a search, they will automatically send email updates with new jobs that match the criteria.

Higher Education Vacancies:

- University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences - Assistant/Associate Professor, Tenure Track Faculty Position, Department of Epidemiology (**No longer available**)
- [Tulane University](https://apply.interfolio.com/34064) (<https://apply.interfolio.com/34064>) - Department of Epidemiology, Assistant Professor in Clinical Research
- Central Texas College - Adjunct Faculty - Criminal Justice - Fort Rucker (**No longer available**)
- Southwest Tennessee Community College - Adjunct Faculty Pool - Criminal Justice (**No longer available**)
- Endicott College - Interim Director, Homeland Security Studies (**No longer available**)
- Rosemont College - Adjunct Professor: Homeland Security/Emergency Management (**No longer available**)
- [College of DuPage](https://cod.hiretouch.com/job-details?jobID=61806&job=adjunct-faculty-continuing-education-homeland-security-training-institute-hsti-2020) (<https://cod.hiretouch.com/job-details?jobID=61806&job=adjunct-faculty-continuing-education-homeland-security-training-institute-hsti-2020>) - Adjunct Faculty, Continuing Education Homeland Security Training Institute (HSTI) 2020
- [West Virginia University](https://wvu.taleo.net/careersection/faculty/jobdetail.ftl?job=11223&tz=GMT-04%3A00&tzname=America%2FNew_York) (https://wvu.taleo.net/careersection/faculty/jobdetail.ftl?job=11223&tz=GMT-04%3A00&tzname=America%2FNew_York) - Assistant Professor in Cybersecurity - CCB&E
- [Santa Monica College](https://www.schooljobs.com/careers/smccacademic/jobs/2197744/pt-instructor-earth-science-geographic-information-systems-continuous-appli) (<https://www.schooljobs.com/careers/smccacademic/jobs/2197744/pt-instructor-earth-science-geographic-information-systems-continuous-appli>) - PT Instructor - Earth Science (Geographic Information Systems) - Continuous Applicant Pool
- [University of Wyoming](https://uwyo.taleo.net/careersection/00_ex/jobdetail.ftl?job=20002314&lang=en) (https://uwyo.taleo.net/careersection/00_ex/jobdetail.ftl?job=20002314&lang=en) - Asst Professor - WyGIS - 20002314

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[Pathways Internship - Student Trainee \(Humanities Programs\)](https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/575597000)

(<https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/575597000>)

[Postdoctoral Research Associate - Environmental Collaboration and Conflict Resolution](https://arizona.csod.com/ux/ats/careersite/4/home/requisition/2000?c=arizona)

(<https://arizona.csod.com/ux/ats/careersite/4/home/requisition/2000?c=arizona>)

[University of Michigan - Research Associate-Fixed Term](https://careers.msu.edu/en-us/job/503867/research-associatexfixed-term) (<https://careers.msu.edu/en-us/job/503867/research-associatexfixed-term>)

National Science Foundation

[International Research Experiences for Students \(IRES\)](https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2020/nsf20598/nsf20598.htm)

(<https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2020/nsf20598/nsf20598.htm>)

[Dear Colleague Letter: Opportunity for Active EFRI and ERC Awardees to Apply for Supplemental Funding through the Research Experience and Mentoring \(REM\) Program](https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2020/nsf20117/nsf20117.jsp)

(<https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2020/nsf20117/nsf20117.jsp>)

[Harnessing the Data Revolution: Coordination Hub \(HDR Central\)](https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2020/nsf20600/nsf20600.htm)

(<https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2020/nsf20600/nsf20600.htm>)

Resources

The resources below are compiled from a variety of sources to support research or classroom use. The links are provided as a convenience. They do not constitute any endorsement or approval by FEMA or the Higher Education Program.

The Chronicle of Higher Education

[First They Come for Adjuncts, Now They'll Come for Tenure](https://www.chronicle.com/article/first-they-came-for-adjuncts-now-theyll-come-for-tenure) (<https://www.chronicle.com/article/first-they-came-for-adjuncts-now-theyll-come-for-tenure>)

[Your Students Will Be Different This Fall](https://www.chronicle.com/article/your-students-will-be-different-this-fall) (<https://www.chronicle.com/article/your-students-will-be-different-this-fall>)

Inside Higher Ed

[A Tough Year for Community Colleges](https://www.insidehighered.com/admissions/article/2020/08/17/community-colleges-have-tough-year-enrollments)

(<https://www.insidehighered.com/admissions/article/2020/08/17/community-colleges-have-tough-year-enrollments>)

Homeland Security News Wire

[Purdue: Academic Excellence in Cyber Defense Education](http://www.homelandsecuritynewswire.com/dr20200818-purdue-academic-excellence-in-cyber-defense-education)

(<http://www.homelandsecuritynewswire.com/dr20200818-purdue-academic-excellence-in-cyber-defense-education>)

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[26 million NSF initiative to establish new Center for Quantum Networks](http://www.homelandsecuritynewswire.com/dr20200810-26-million-nsf-initiative-to-establish-new-center-for-quantum-networks)

(<http://www.homelandsecuritynewswire.com/dr20200810-26-million-nsf-initiative-to-establish-new-center-for-quantum-networks>)

[Flood Bot: New Flood Warning Sensors](http://www.homelandsecuritynewswire.com/dr20200720-flood-bot-new-flood-warning-sensors) (<http://www.homelandsecuritynewswire.com/dr20200720-flood-bot-new-flood-warning-sensors>)

Homeland Security Today

[FEMA Obligates Nearly \\$7.7 Million to the Puerto Rico Forensic Science Institute](https://www.hstoday.us/subject-matter-areas/emergency-preparedness/fema-obligates-nearly-7-7-million-to-the-puerto-rico-forensic-science-institute/)

(<https://www.hstoday.us/subject-matter-areas/emergency-preparedness/fema-obligates-nearly-7-7-million-to-the-puerto-rico-forensic-science-institute/>)

DHS Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA)

[Identity, Credential, and Access Management \(ICAM\)](https://www.cisa.gov/safecom/icam-resources) (<https://www.cisa.gov/safecom/icam-resources>)

Homeland Security Today.US

[CISA's Cyber Storm 2020 Tests Interconnected Preparedness for a Widespread Attack](https://www.hstoday.us/subject-matter-areas/cybersecurity/)

(<https://www.hstoday.us/subject-matter-areas/cybersecurity/>)

Healthline.com

[Natural Disasters Won't Stop Just Because There's a Pandemic: How We Can Be Prepared](https://www.healthline.com/health-news/natural-disasters-wont-stop-just-because-theres-a-pandemic)

(<https://www.healthline.com/health-news/natural-disasters-wont-stop-just-because-theres-a-pandemic>)

National Library of Health

National Library of Medicine (NLM) and the Medical Library Association (MLA) on Tuesday, August 11, hosted the Leiter Lecture presented by Dr. John Brownstein on Digital Epidemiology and the COVID-19 Pandemic. [Video from the lecture is now available:](https://videocast.nih.gov/watch=38269) <https://videocast.nih.gov/watch=38269>

National Preparedness Month (NPM) 2020 is recognized each September to promote family and community disaster planning now and throughout the year. As our nation continues to respond to COVID-19, there is no better time to be involved this September. The 2020 NPM theme is: "Disasters Don't Wait. Make Your Plan Today." [For more NPM information.](https://www.ready.gov/september) (<https://www.ready.gov/september>)

FEMA Podcast - [Episode 72: Partnership Month 2020](https://www.fema.gov/about/news-multimedia/podcast) (<https://www.fema.gov/about/news-multimedia/podcast>)

SUNY at Canton Announces New \$1,400 Scholarship to Benefit Out-of-State Residents

The State University of New York (SUNY) at Canton established a scholarship for out-of-state students to study online. The "Discover SUNY Canton" scholarship provides up to \$1,400 per year to students who want to study part- or full-time in one of [22 fully online programs through SUNY Canton OnLine](https://www.canton.edu/ol/) (<https://www.canton.edu/ol/>). The award is renewable for up to four years. All degrees are accredited



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through the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools. Each course is developed according to the standards of best practices and is rigorously reviewed to ensure quality. SUNY Canton also offers a fully online Emergency Management Bachelor of Science degree program (https://www.canton.edu/sci_health/eadm/description.html). SUNY's Flex Classes (<https://www.canton.edu/ol/flex.html>) allow participants to attend classes live, online or access recorded lectures later. Eligible applicants must be non-New York State residents and meet the admissions requirements for their program, among other criteria. If interested in applying, send an email to admissions@canton.edu.

Calendar

Registration opens for IAEM Reimagined: The Virtual IAEM 2020 Conference

IAEM members and the emergency management community will come together virtually from Nov. 16-18 for education, networking and inspiration. Registration is open online (<https://www.iaem.org/Events/Event-Info/sessionaltcd/AC20>). With lower registration fees and no travel costs, it will be cost-effective for organizations to register multiple attendees. In addition, participation in the IAEM virtual conference is an allowable use of Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) funds. Conference news and updates are posted daily on the conference website (<https://www.iaem.org/usconf>).

FEMA's National Integration Center is seeking public feedback on several National Qualification System (NQS) documents that enhance interoperability and the effectiveness of mutual aid. The National Engagement Period will conclude at **5 p.m. Eastern Time on September 10, 2020**. National Engagement provides an opportunity for interested parties to comment on the draft NQS positions, to ensure they are relevant for all implementing partners. Today's release includes:

- **NQS Public Assistance (PA) Program Delivery Manager and Site Inspector Job Titles/Position Qualifications** that define minimum qualifications criteria for personnel serving in these positions
- **NQS Public Assistance (PA) Program Delivery Manager and Site Inspector Position Task Books (PTB)** that identify the competencies, behaviors and tasks that personnel should demonstrate to become qualified for these positions.

The Public Assistance (PA) NQS positions will facilitate the sharing of deployable PA positions at all jurisdictional levels and will support the augmentation of the FEMA workforce during disaster operations. To [review the draft documents](https://www.fema.gov/emergency-managers/nims), visit <https://www.fema.gov/emergency-managers/nims>.

[National Exercise Program \(NEP\) 2020 Fall Nomination Round, October 1, 2020](https://www.fema.gov/emergency-managers/national-preparedness/exercises/about)

(<https://www.fema.gov/emergency-managers/national-preparedness/exercises/about>)

FEMA will begin accepting nominations from state, local, tribal, territorial and other whole community partners. The program offers no-cost assistance for exercise design, development, execution and evaluation to validate capabilities across all mission areas. Nominations for exercise support are accepted twice a year.

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The 2020 fall nomination round will be open for sponsors to submit nominations between Oct. 1 and Nov. 1 for exercises that will be conducted in the 2021-2022 NEP cycle. Decisions will be sent by Dec. 1.

FEMA is hosting a 60-minute webinar at 2 p.m. ET on Monday, Aug. 24 to discuss the nomination process, the support that NEP can provide for conducting exercises in a COVID-19 environment and provide a preview of the proposed 2021-2022 Principals' Strategic Priorities.

To participate: FEMA Teleconference: 1-800-320-4330, PIN 559550#; [FEMA Adobe Connect](#).

(<https://fema.connectsolutions.com/NEPOverview>)

For questions, send an email to the [NEP](#).

FEMA is releasing an interim "Debris Monitoring Guide." The guidance is now open for public comment. It includes several changes that incorporate updated requirements to comply with the "Procurement Disaster Assistance Team 2019 Field Manual."

The interim guide and accompanying comments matrix are available on the [FEMA website](#) (<https://www.fema.gov/assistance/public/policy-guidance-fact-sheets>). FEMA will accept public comments submitted until Sept. 17. FEMA requests that all comments be submitted using the accompanying comments matrix. For questions or suggestions about the guide, send an email to FEMA-Recovery-Policy@fema.dhs.gov

Virtual National HBCU Week, September 20-26, 2020: The Perfect Decade to Accelerate HBCU Competitiveness – builds on the momentum of past conferences that have exposed, cultivated, and nurtured. Now, putting it all together, offers a unique experience, substantially structured around deal-making between HBCUs, the federal sector and non-federal public and private partners.

[Tentative Schedule](#) (<https://sites.ed.gov/whhbcu/hbcu-week-conference/2020-hbcu-week-conference/tentative-virtual-schedule>)

[Virtual Exhibit Partners](#) (<https://sites.ed.gov/whhbcu/hbcu-week-conference/2020-hbcu-week-conference/virtual-federal-partners/>)

[2020 Federal HBCU Industry Day](#) (<https://sites.ed.gov/whhbcu/federal-interagency-working-group/interagency-competitiveness-clusters/contracting/>)

Download the *FEMA App* (URL: <https://www.fema.gov/mobile-app>) **to receive weather alerts from the NWS for up to five different locations anywhere in the U.S. Sign up via our free e-mail subscription service** (URL: https://service.govdelivery.com/accounts/USDHSFEMA/subscriber/new?topic_id=USDHSFEMA_149) **to receive notifications and information updates.**

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