

THE UNIVERSITY OF AKRON
College of Applied Service Technology
Emergency Management

Course Title: Emergency Response Preparedness Planning

Course Number: 2235 350

Course Credits: 3 credit hours

Prerequisites: None

Course Description:

Legal requirement, planning formats, and response procedures are presented. Special focus community risk assessment: hazard analysis, vulnerability assessment, and community response capability assessment.

Program Outcomes:

- Demonstrate the capability to implement Emergency Planning Concepts and Metrics
- Develop and evaluate the components of a Hazard Vulnerability Analysis and Risk Assessment
- Develop and evaluate the components of an Emergency Operations Plans and Continuity of Operations Plans
- Demonstrate the capability to implement an Incident Command System
- Demonstrate the capability to implement Exercises

Course Outline:

Topic 1: Defining Hazards and Disasters

Topic 2: Distinguishing an emergency from a disaster

Topic 3: Background to Preparedness and Response

Topic 4: How Preparedness Influences Disaster Response

Topic 5: Defining Preparedness: Are We Prepared?

Topic 6: Creating Reality Based Plans and Planning

Household & Neighborhood Planning

Organizational and Community Preparedness

Topic 7: CPG-101 Background and purpose

Topic 8: Hazard Analysis

Topic 9: The Organizational Challenge of Disaster Response

Topic 10: Individual & Small Group Behavior during Disaster

Role of the Family; Stereotypical Images; Panic/Disaster Syndrome; Media role

Topic 11: Approaches to Disaster Response: Government, National Incident Management System, Incident Command System

Topic 12: Organizational Behavior during Disasters

What is Effective Organizational (Disaster) Response?

Topic 12 (cont'd):

General Issues: How do you measure effectiveness?

Disaster Issues: How do you measure effective disaster response?

Initial Planning for Disaster Exercise

Topic 13: Response Issues and Topics

Communication Failures

Role Conflict/Abandonment

Convergence

Search and Rescue

Search and Recovery

A special look at the Indian Tsunami and Hurricane Katrina Emergency and
Temporary Shelter

Topic 14: Terrorism and Disaster Response

Grading Scale:

A	≥ 94%
A-	90-93%
B+	88-89%
B	83-87%
B-	80-82%
C+	78-79%
C	73-77%
C-	70-72%
D+	68-69%
D	63-67%
D-	60-62%
F	≤ 59.9%

Program Assessment

The University of Akron and specifically the Emergency Management and Homeland Security program assesses student learning at several levels. The goal of these assessment activities is to improve student learning. As a student in this course, you will participate in various assessment activities. Grades and work samples may be selected to gather learning outcome data to be measured and tracked over several years. Student names or indicators are not used in data analysis. Students have an active role in course and program assessment projects. Generated data will direct any changes made in the curriculum which is designed to strengthen and constantly improve student learning and educational outcomes.

Special Accommodations:

If there are special circumstances which affect your learning in this class, please let me know as soon as possible. Accommodations can be arranged through the Office of

Accessibility, located in Simmons Hall, 105 (972-7928).