

FOUNDATIONS OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

PAD4391
UNDERGRADUATE COURSE OVERVIEW

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Required Texts:

Haddow, Bullock and Coppola (2013). *Introduction to Emergency Management*. Fifth Edition. Butterworth-Heinemann. Elsevier. Burlington, MA, USA

Lindell, M., Prater, C., & Perry, R. (2006). *Fundamentals of Emergency Management*. –
Online electronic textbook available free of charge from the FEMA Higher Education Program website at: <http://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/edu/fem.asp>

Schneider, S. K. (2011). *Dealing with Disaster: Public Management in Crisis Situations*, 2nd Edition. Armonk, New York: M.E. Sharpe.

Readings—As Assigned by Instructor

(Note: Readings may be accessed through available subscriptions of the FSU Library System or Course Library where indicated. The instructor reserves the right to change the content of the syllabus during the course of the semester. Any changes will be posted in the announcement section on BlackBoard. Students should regularly log in to check announcements.)

APA Style Book Review—Students will be assigned an additional text (based on a case study of a historical disaster event to read and analyze.

Course Objectives:

After completing the course, students will be able to:

- Describe the four phases of emergency management
- Making distinctions between natural and technological or man-made hazards
- Discuss the concept of acceptable risk in terms of individual and community exposure to natural and/or technological hazards
- Discuss the role of government in managing natural and technological hazards
- Describe the general evolution of emergency management in the U.S.
- Describe and discuss the legal and political relationships among federal, state, and local emergency management agencies
- Describe and discuss the concept of “all-hazards” emergency management
- Describe and discuss the Integrated Emergency Management System (IEMS) model
- Describe and discuss the kinds of problems that can occur when programs require intra-governmental, multi-organizational, cooperation
- Discuss basic planning concepts
- Select emergency exercise types based on desired outcomes
- Identify future trends in emergency management

Course Description:

This course is designed to introduce students to the fundamental concepts, theories, principles and practices in emergency management.

Course Structure:

This class will consist of mini video lectures from the instructor, PowerPoint presentations, case studies/book review, quizzes, exams, an introduction to FEMA training, a virtual visit to the State of Florida’s Emergency Operations Center and an applied Tabletop Exercise System Technology (TEST) exercise to give you a feel for the types of decisions to be made in an emergency event.

Emergency Management and Homeland Security (EMHS) Certificate Requirements:

This course is a core required course for the EMHS Certificate. Successful completion of the courses applied to the EMHS Certificate is defined as a grade of C or higher.

For more information on this course, please contact Dr. Dilling through the contact information provided at the beginning of this overview.