

Course Description

FES4003 | Public Policy in Emergency Management | 3.00 credits

This course provides an exploration of public policy used in emergency management, including how policy is made and conveyed.

Course Competencies

Competency 1: The student will describe the governance of emergency management by:

- 1. Discussing the Stafford Act
- 2. Discussing the role of Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)
- 3. Discussing the role of Transportation Security Administration (TSA)
- 4. Defining the role of the National Fire Administration (NFA)

Competency 2: The student will analyze incident command systems by:

- 1. Defining finance/administration
- 2. Examining logistics
- 3. Reviewing operational
- 4. Discussing planning

Competency 3: The student will develop a sample national incident command by:

- 1. Studying the history of incident command
- 2. Defining the theory of incident command
- 3. Exploring jurisdictions of incident command
- 4. Developing an incident command structure

Competency 4: The student will define the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) by:

- 1. Defining the mission and establishment of the DHS
- 2. Identifying the agencies which report to DHS

Competency 5: The student will analyze the national response plan, Florida and personal response plans by:

- 1. Identifying the needs for the plan
- 2. Defining components of the plan
- 3. Describing the development of the plan
- 4. Assessing the governmental role

Competency 6: The student will analyze the roles of organizations associated with emergency management by:

- 1. Comparing and contrasting non-profit and for-profit organizations
- 2. Citing and discussing examples of partnerships

Competency 7: The student will outline resources available for emergency management by:

- 1. Identifying private resources
- 2. Researching government resources
- 3. Exploring the role of professional consultants
- 4. Discussing local resources

Competency 8: The student will analyze financial aspects of emergency management by:

- 1. Describing insurance laws
- 2. Discussing government assistance
- 3. Defining government funding
- 4. Exploring and discussing non-profit organizations

Learning Outcomes:

- Communicate effectively using listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills
- Use quantitative analytical skills to evaluate and process numerical data
- Solve problems using critical and creative thinking and scientific reasoning
- Formulate strategies to locate, evaluate, and apply information