Region 6 Higher Education Collaborative Summit Agenda

September 14-15, 2022

Time	Sept 14
8:00 - 9:00 am (WD)	Check in / Network
9:00 - 9:15 am (WD)	Introduction and Welcome
9:15 am - 12:00 pm (WD)	Plenary Session: Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, & Access (IDEA) in Emergency Management
	Exploring the important challenges faced in emergency management with regard to increasing resilience in America. Participants will learn about disparities in service, disproportionate impacts, and vulnerability concerns often faced during disasters. During the workshop, we will discuss diversity and inclusion challenges in the workforce. Participants will also consider the root causes and historical precedence that has contributed to justice and equality issues for individuals and communities.
	 Dr. DeeDee Bennett-Gayle, Associate Professor College of Emergency Preparedness, Homeland Security and Cybersecurity, University at Albany, SUNY
	 Dr. Alessandra Jerolleman, Associate Professor of Emergency Management, Jacksonville State University
12:00 - 1:15 pm	Lunch on your own
	IDEA Panel: Continuing the IDEA Discussion
1:15 - 2:00 pm (AUD)	 Moderator: Kelly Fitzgerald, Higher Education Program Manager, FEMA Dr. DeeDee Bennett-Gayle, Associate Professor College of Emergency Preparedness, University at Albany, SUNY Dr. Alessandra Jerolleman, Assistant Professor of Emergency Management, Jacksonville State University Logan Perkes, FEMA Region 6 Disability Integration Advisor Dempsey Kraft, Regional Tribal Liaison, FEMA Region 6
2:00 - 2:15 pm	Break / Networking
2:15 - 3:00 pm	 IDEA Breakout Sessions: Exploration of IDEA Concepts as Related to R6 Higher Education Pillars Community Preparedness – (SSC 180) Carol Walton, Emergency Management Coordinator, University of Central Arkansas Cole Kennedy, Director of Emergency Management & Occupational Safety, Arkansas State University
(SSC 180) (SSC 247) (SSC 242)	 Research & Innovation – (SSC 133) Dr. Jamie Stacy, Associate Professor of Emergency Management, Arkansas Tech University Dr. Alessandra Jerolleman, Assistant Professor of Emergency Management, Jacksonville State University Next Generation of Emergency Managers– (SSC 242) Dr. Ponmile Olonilua, Professor and Coordinator, Emergency Management/Homeland Security Program, Texas Southern University Dr. DeeDee Bennett-Gayle, Associate Professor College of Emergency Preparedness, University at Albany, SUNY
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4:00 - 4:45 pm (AUD)	Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Panel: Considering the Impact and Reach of Community Preparedness
	Moderator: Dr. Jamie Stacy, Associate Professor, Emergency Management, Arkansas Tech University
	 Youth Preparedness: Dr. Bethany Swindell, Emergency Management, Homeland Security, Arkansas Tech University Dr. Alessandra Jerolleman, Associate Professor of Emergency Management, Jacksonville State University Community Preparedness: Gary Ragen, Arkansas Division of Emergency Management (ADEM) CERT Research: Dempsey Kraft, Regional Tribal Liaison, FEMA Region 6 Aaron Baker
4:45 - 5:00 pm	End of Day Wrap up

Time	Sept 15
8:00 - 9:00 am	Check in/Network
9:00 - 10:00 am (WD)	Critical Infrastructure Panel: Threat Risk Reduction: Protecting Critical Infrastructure in the Evolving Threat Environment
	Moderator: Dr. Bethany Swindell, Emergency Management, Homeland Security, Arkansas Tech University
	 Chad Johnston – Protective Security Advisor of the Arkansas District within Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency, Region VI Rick Neudorff- Director of Business Continuity & Emergency Management for Insperity
10:00 - 10:30	Break / Networking
10:30 - 11:15 am (WD)	Higher Education Collaborative Discussion: Future of R6 HiEd Collaborative
	Considering Ways the R6 Higher Education Collaborative might best be strengthened
	 Dr. Sandy M. Smith, Head, Department of Emergency Management, Professional Studies, and Student Affairs Administration and Professor of Emergency Management, Arkansas Tech University Bill Bischof, Community Preparedness Officer, FEMA Region 6 Kelly Fitzgerald, Higher Education Program Manager, FEMA
	 Dr. Ponmile Olonilua, Professor and Coordinator, Emergency Management/Homeland Security Program, Texas Southern University
	Where do we go from here?
11:15 - 12:00 pm	Thinking about how to incorporate what's been learned with one's everyday practice
(WD)	 Dr. DeeDee Bennett-Gayle, Associate Professor College of Emergency Preparedness, Homeland Security, University at Albany, SUNY
	 Dr. Alessandra Jerolleman, Associate Professor of Emergency Management, Jacksonville State University
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1:15 - 2:15 pm (WD)	Research Roundtable: Emergency Management Research with Community Organizations: <i>Meetir Researcher, Practitioner, and Community Needs</i>
	• Facilitator: Dr. Brian Menaker, Associate Professor, Texas A & M University, Kingsville
2:15 - 3:30 pm (WD)	Fireside Chats
	Connecting students and those desiring to advance in their careers with Practitioners
	End of Conference Wrap up

Location Legend:

(WD) = West Dining Room

(SSC) – Doc Bryan Building/Student Service Center

(AUD) = Doc Bryan Auditorium