

Auburn University  
Center for Governmental Services

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT for GOVERNMENT and the PUBLIC SECTOR

***Local Government Emergency Management Operations***

Course Description

***Local Government Emergency Management Operations*** will be held March 31–April 27, 2008. Mr. Hank Christen is the instructor for this course. *Local Government Emergency Management Operations* is one of the core courses required for certification.

This course focuses on providing information about local government planning, infrastructure protection, private sector collaboration and liaison with state resources regarding local and regional disasters or terrorist attacks. Emphasis will be placed upon learning how to effectively plan for incident response; as well as coordinate with state and federal agencies. The overarching template for the course will be the incident command component of the National Incident Management System (NIMS). Specific modules will include: study of coordination, aid and support components of the Emergency Operations Plan; locating and coordinating private sector resources; identifying and protecting infrastructures; and coordination with state and federal entities.

Topics addressed during this course include:

- The use of the incident command system as a planning template and response tool.
- The key components in the State of Alabama Emergency Operations Plan that relate to local government coordination, mutual aid and incident support.
- The effective coordination of private sector resources for local and regional support.
- The identification and protection of local critical infrastructures.
- An active case study and exercise related to the Enterprise tornado disaster.

The Certification Program:

Each of the five courses required for completion of the certification program are offered exclusively on-line; each last for four weeks.

Certificates will be awarded following successful completion of each course, with recognition of certification and a lapel pin being awarded following completion of all five courses. The fee for each course is \$400; text books and materials are not included in that fee.

Additional information about the Emergency Management certificate program and about registration can be found by visiting the CGS website at [www.auburn.edu/outreach/cgs](http://www.auburn.edu/outreach/cgs), or by calling the Center at (334) 844-1918.