

Montgomery County Community College
PSA 200
Public Safety Incident Management
3-3-0

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course is designed to provide the student with an overview of the *incident command* and *unified command* structure and their operations. Students will examine incident management in various public safety circumstances. After gaining an understanding of incident management in various public safety situations, students will focus on the roles and responsibilities of rescue leaders as those roles relate to incident command and the unified command structure.

Requisites:

Must complete PSA 101 and MGT 113 with a C or better

Concurrent Course Requirements:

None

LEARNING OUTCOMES Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:	LEARNING ACTIVITIES	EVALUATION METHODS
1. Define the terms and regulatory framework of incident management.	Assigned Readings Lectures Discussions Case Study Analysis AV/Multimedia Materials Field Trips Essay Assignments Directed Research Quizzes and Exams	Multiple-Choice Exam Graded Essay Graded Essay Exam Assignments Graded Research Project Individual or Group Presentation Graded Class Discussion Graded Case Study
2. Identify the roles and responsibilities associated with incident management.	Assigned Readings Lectures Discussions Case Study Analysis AV/Multimedia Materials Field Trips Essay Assignments Directed Research Quizzes and Exams	Multiple-Choice Exam Graded Essay Graded Essay Exam Assignments Graded Research Project Individual or Group Presentation Graded Class Discussion Graded Case Study

LEARNING OUTCOMES	LEARNING ACTIVITIES	EVALUATION METHODS
3. Analyze the difference between Incident Command and Unified Command.	Assigned Readings Lectures Discussions Case Study Analysis AV/Multimedia Materials Field Trips Essay Assignments Directed Research Quizzes and Exams	Multiple-Choice Exam Graded Essay Graded Essay Exam Assignments Graded Research Project Individual or Group Presentation Graded Class Discussion Graded Case Study
4. Identify the role of various functionaries in the incident management system.	Assigned Readings Lectures Discussions Case Study Analysis AV/Multimedia Materials Field Trips Essay Assignments Directed Research Quizzes and Exams	Multiple-Choice Exam Graded Essay Graded Essay Exam Assignments Graded Research Project Individual or Group Presentation Graded Class Discussion Graded Case Study
5. Analyze the consequences of a poor or ineffective incident management structure.	Assigned Readings Lectures Discussions Case Study Analysis Simulations AV/Multimedia Materials Field Trips Essay Assignments Directed Research Quizzes and Exams	Multiple-Choice Exam Graded Essay Graded Essay Exam Assignments Graded Research Project Individual or Group Presentation Graded Class Discussion Graded Case Study

LEARNING OUTCOMES	LEARNING ACTIVITIES	EVALUATION METHODS
6. Discuss the need for, and use of, incident management during search and rescue and its application in various emergencies such as search and rescue.	Assigned Readings Lectures Discussions Case Study Analysis Simulations AV/Multimedia Materials Field Trips Essay Assignments Directed Research Quizzes and Exams	Multiple-Choice Exam Graded Essay Graded Essay Exam Assignments Graded Research Project Individual or Group Presentation Graded Class Discussion Graded Case Study

At the conclusion of each semester/session, assessment of the learning outcomes will be completed by course faculty using the listed evaluation method(s). Aggregated results will be submitted to the Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs. The benchmark for each learning outcome is that *70% of students will meet or exceed outcome criteria.*

SEQUENCE OF TOPICS:

1. Introduction to Incident Management
2. Management, Emergency Management, and Crisis Management
3. Examples of Incident Command; i.e., Local Fire Departments, Industrial Settings, Oklahoma City Bombing and Others
4. Facts, Fictions, Myths, and Misinformation in Incident Management
5. The Realities and Truths of Incident Management
6. Regulatory and Other Guidelines for Use of Incident Management HAZWOPER OSHA 1910.120 and National Fire Protection Association (NFPA)
7. The Basics of Incident Management: Tools, Incident Command, Roles and Responsibilities
8. The Basics of Incident Management: Unified Command, Philosophy and Examples
9. Implementation and Coordination in Incident Management: Setting-Up, Initial Response Actions, and Site Assessment for search and rescue and other operations
10. Implementation and Coordination in Incident Management: Site Safety, Site Organization, and Site Control Planning for search and rescue and other operations
11. The Other Variables in Incident Management
12. Leadership and Teamwork in Search and Rescue Operations
13. Human Behavior
14. Natural Disasters and Human Behavior

LEARNING MATERIALS:

1. *Beyond Initial Response: Using the National Incident Management System Incident Command System* by Tim Deal. (2012). (2nd ed.). House Publishing.
ISBN-10: 1438988613
ISBN-13: 978-1438988610
2. *Case Studies in Disaster Response and Emergency Management (ASPA Series in Public Administration and Public Policy)* 1st Edition
by Nicolas A. Valcik (Author), Paul E. Tracy (Author)
ISBN-13: 978-1439883167
ISBN-10: 1439883165
3. Other learning materials may be required and made available directly to the student and/or via the College's Libraries and/or course management system.

COURSE APPROVAL:

Prepared by: Jayden Sampson

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Provost or designee Compliance Verification:

Date: 2/26/2020



This course is consistent with Montgomery County Community College's mission. It was developed, approved and will be delivered in full compliance with the policies and procedures established by the College.