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#### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D., 2017 Fire and Emergency Management Administration, Oklahoma State University
M.P.A., 2007 National Security Affairs, Troy University
M.S., 2006 Emergency Management, Jacksonville State University
B.A., 2002 Communication Arts/Public Relations, University of West Florida

#### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

| 2015 - Present | Manager, Intermountain Center for Disaster Preparedness, Intermountain Healthcare,      |
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|                | Salt Lake City, UT  |
| 2006 - 2015    | United States Navy Emergency Management Program   |
|                | 2014 - 2015 Regional Program Director, Navy Region Southwest, San Diego, CA             |
|                | 2012 - 2014 Regional Deputy Program Director, Navy Region Southwest, San Diego, CA      |
|                | 2008 - 2012 Emergency Management Officer, Naval Support Activity Mid-South, Millington, |
|                | TN  |
|                | 2006 – 2008 Emergency Management Officer, Naval Station Everett, Everett, WA            |
| 2005 – 2006    | Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, City of Bothell, Bothell, WA                        |
| 2004 - 2005    | Regional Emergency Management Planner, Office of Homeland Security,                     |
|                | Meridian, MS  |

#### ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Faculty

Arkansas State University, State University, AR

DPEM 6123 Research Design and Methodologies in Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management., Fall 2017, Spring 2018, Fall 2018

Fayetteville State University, Fayetteville, NC FSCN 455 Community Risk Reduction for Fire and Emergency Services, Spring 2014, Spring 2015, Spring 2016 FSCN 440 Fire Service Organizational Dynamics, Fall 2014

National University, San Diego, CA HSE 401 Domestic Security Management, Summer 2014 HSE 440 Crisis Management, Fall 2014

#### Curriculum Development

University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT, 2018 - Present Emergency Management certification track

## Kaplan University, Chicago, IL, 2014-2015

FS 120 Introduction to Emergency Management

FS 220 Preparedness and Planning for Emergency Management

FS 225 Emergency Management Response

- FS 320 Recovery Practices in Emergency Management
- FS 420 Mitigation and Risk Assessment in Emergency Management
- FS 425 Disaster Policy in Emergency Management

## RESEARCH

Dissertation, Factors that affect nursing students' willingness to respond to disasters or public health emergencies. Oklahoma State University.

Quantitative Research Study, Disaster Readiness of Hospital Personnel: Factors Associated with Preparedness and Willingness to Report to Work During a Disaster. (In progress)

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

- *Disaster Readiness for Home Care Providers*. Presented at the Utah Home Care Association Conference, Salt Lake City, UT, May 2017.
- *Disaster Readiness for Service providers to people with access and functional needs Service Providers.* Presented at the Utah Division of Services to People with Disabilities Provider Conference, Salt Lake City, UT, June 2017.

Disaster Nursing. Presented at the Utah Student Nurses Association Conference,

### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

International Association of Emergency Managers Society for Disaster Medicine and Public Health

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

Advisory Board, Roseman University, College of Nursing, 2016-Present
 Editorial Board, *Inside Homeland Security*, American Board for Certification in Homeland Security, 2015-Present
 Conference Committee, International Association of Emergency Managers, 2010-2016
 Advisory Board, School of Public Safety Kaplan University, 2012-2015

## **CERTIFICATIONS**

Certified Emergency Manager (CEM), International Association of Emergency Managers, 2005 - Present Certified Hospital Emergency Coordinator (CHEC), Augusta University, 2015 - Present

#### HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2011 Memphis Metropolitan Area Federal Employee of the Year Outstanding Managerial/Executive Award
- 2011 IAEM-USA Uniformed Services Civilian Emergency Manager of the Year
- 2010 U.S. Navy, Meritorious Civilian Service Award