Arizona Department of Emergency and Military Affairs

Internship for BS, Public Service/Policy: Emergency Mgmt. Homeland Security, or MAEMHS Students Offered fall, spring, summer; part-time; nonpaid | Affiliate Agreement effective 4/24/19 – 4/24/24

The student will work with staff to observe and learn about the operational process of various emergency management facilities. Student will attend meetings with internal and external emergency management partners and learn from their day-to-day interaction and collaboration. Student will engage emergency managers, interview, and learn about their respective areas in field planning, preparedness, relief coordination, recovery, mitigation, etc. The student will have the opportunity to review and analyze complex data, draw conclusions, and make sound recommendations and decisions.

This internship benefits students pursuing studies and professional career in emergency management, homeland security and other public safety roles. Students will benefit through direct participation in planning and training exercises, performing project support assignments within assigned department, and further developing effective communications, management and leadership skills.

ASU Core Learning - Career Competencies

Example/evidence statements of how student will demonstrate competency in the following 5 areas

Ethics/Workplace Professionalism: Students will -

- work efficiently and effectively with individuals who have diverse backgrounds to accomplish assignments
- complete assignments in a timely manner
- arrive on time and comply with department dress code as defined by intern supervisor

Communication Skills - Verbal/Written/Interpersonal, and including, Global-Intercultural Awareness and Digital Technology: Students will -

- provide two progress reports to the internship coordinator during the course of the internship
- may be required to participate in agency briefing and report on their internship including lessons
- learned, accomplishments and their impression of the overall program
- practice organization and clear delivery of any speech or presentation content

Content Knowledge: Student will -

- demonstrate a general understanding of the government, its authority, and a knowledge of the agencies mission and service to the public, through work within and on behalf of assigned department and project activities, as well as scheduled involvement with other departments.
- attend meetings with multiple agencies that partner with DEMA on emergency management topics
- be able to articulate the importance and role of each branch within DEMA and how they contribute to DEMA's mission

Learning: Critical Thinking, Problem Solving: Student will -

- meet regularly with intern supervisor; come prepared for the meeting and demonstrate openness to supervisor feedback
- attend intern workshops/trainings provided and will record reflections from these events in an intern journal, and for class assignments
- engage in projects which provide experience on DEMA's whole community approach to providing state level emergency management

Leadership: Student will -

- engage in provided mentoring opportunities with emergency management professionals and leaders within the career field
- participate in projects which contribute to DEMA's overall goal of leadership in emergency management