

I am excited to submit my candidacy to continue serving as the Student Representative for Region 1 of the International Association of Emergency Managers (IAEM). My academic background, hands-on leadership experience in emergency management, and dedication to collaborative solutions uniquely qualify me to serve and advocate for the student community in our region.

My journey in emergency management began as a student myself, earning a Master of Science in Emergency Management from Massachusetts Maritime Academy while volunteering with the Red Cross. Since then, I have continued to apply the lessons I learned in the classroom as an emergency manager in hospital, municipal, and university programs. My current role as Emergency Management Program Manager at Harvard University has allowed me to gain further insight into higher education and to develop a deeper understanding of the needs and perspectives of students in our region.

As a leader in my organizations and in the emergency management field, I have demonstrated a strong commitment to building partnerships with various stakeholders, actively supporting continuous learning through professional development, training, and exercise opportunities, and bolstering transparency and understanding of the emergency management field.

As the current Student Representative, I aim to continue my work to:

- Advocate for the interests and needs of emergency management students across Region 1.
- Foster opportunities for student engagement in professional development, mentorship, and networking—connecting students with practitioners, leaders, and peers throughout our region.
- Promote the visibility of student perspectives and innovation in emergency management planning and response.
- Introduce universities in Region 1 to the benefits of having a student chapter and assist with the process of starting a chapter.

I am eager to continue leveraging my experience, passion, and collaborative approach to strengthen the voice and impact of students within IAEM Region 1. I look forward to continuing to serve as a resource and advocate for my peers and to contributing to the ongoing advancement of our profession.

Thank you for your consideration.