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News Release

Certified Emergency Manager Program Partners with Academic Institutes

March 29, 2017 (Falls Church, Va.) – The International Association of Emergency Managers (IAEM) announces its newest partnership with Franklin University (Columbus, Ohio), creating an official partnership between the University and the IAEM Certification Program.

IAEM partnership agreements provide collaboration between the IAEM Certification Program and colleges, universities and academies worldwide. Through this newest partnership with Franklin University, IAEM and the University will have the opportunity to assist students and faculty seeking professional certification under the Certified Emergency Manager (CEM®) and Associate Emergency Manager (AEM®) process.

Certifications are an important part of career and professional advancement in emergency management. To help provide proof of credentials, this new partnership will provide students and faculty at Franklin University with a pathway to earn these recognizable and established industry standards.

In addition, as part of this new partnership, IAEM will informally assess Franklin University's Emergency Management and Homeland Security curriculum to determine whether completion of the curriculum will reduce the Comprehensive Emergency Management experience requirements from three years to two years, as well as be exempted from the 100 hour training requirement. Further, IAEM will assist Franklin University with coordination of CEM®/AEM® examination opportunities, and will notify the University of any changes to the procedures and policies affecting the certification process.

Franklin University offers a Bachelors degree in [Emergency Management and Homeland Security](#). Other institutions interested in developing a partnership with the Certified Emergency Manager Program can find information under the Resource Center at www.iaem.com/cem.

About Franklin University

Founded in 1902, Franklin University is one of the leading and most experienced educators of adult students. The University offers applied, in-demand undergraduate, Master's and doctorate programs that enable adult learners to achieve their educational and professional goals. From entrepreneurs to CEOs, more than 45,000 Franklin alumni can be found around the world contributing to the communities in which they live and work. Students can take classes at Franklin through its Main Campus in downtown Columbus, Ohio; two central Ohio locations; in Beavercreek; at co-locations across Ohio, Indiana, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin; and online. In addition, the University's MBA program is offered internationally through agreements with institutions in Europe and the Middle East. Further information regarding Franklin University can be found at www.franklin.edu. Franklin University is accredited by The Higher Learning Commission (HLC), the International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education (IACBE), and the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).

About IAEM-USA

IAEM-USA, the nation's largest emergency management professional association, is a non-profit professional organization representing more than 4,500 emergency management and homeland security professionals for local communities, state and federal disaster officials, private sector, non-governmental organizations and others involved in preparing for, responding to, and recovering from all types of disasters including acts of terrorism. IAEM provides: access to the largest network of emergency management experts who can provide advice and assistance; the Certified Emergency Manager program; annual scholarships; a comprehensive monthly newsletter; and more.

The emergency management certification program was developed by IAEM with funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and guidance from an advisory board, which included professionals from a variety of disciplines and representatives of key groups with a stake in emergency management.

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