

NAVIGATING THROUGH A CHANGING WORLD

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New and emerging challenges have heightened the demand for emergency-management professionals with highly focused academic credentials and underscore the importance of inter-professional emergency preparedness, communications, response and recovery. As a response to these needs, Centennial College launched its Emergency Management and Public Safety Institute (EMPSI) earlier this year.

The EMPSI is committed to developing specialized training, as well as certificate and degree programs, intended for professionals involved in all facets of emergency management, public health and safety planning.

EMPSI manager Ginette Soulieres explains, “We engage our students through practical experience that builds self-reliance, knowledge and ability. We prepare them to manage and respond to scalable emergencies and crises, building their capacity for adaptive change.”

Centennial is launching two initial courses of interest to individuals working in, or preparing for, careers related to emergency response and management.

The Basic Emergency Management



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System (BEM) is a provincial certification course that provides an overview of emergency management in Ontario. It's offered to individuals and personnel from all sectors, organizations and communities who play an active role in emergency management, public health and safety, and those who wish to augment their careers.

Basic Incident Management System (IMS 200) is a provincial certification

course tailored for individuals involved in implementing IMS at low-level incidents or during the early phases of a complex emergency. Participants will solidify their knowledge of core principles and concepts of incident management functions and organizations.

Both courses are delivered separately over two intensive days in a classroom setting, and include an exam and provincial certification for each. The courses are scheduled over upcoming

weekends this fall to accommodate working professionals.

“The world has changed and lessons learned in the recent past reveal the necessity for multidisciplinary, highly knowledgeable and trained personnel working together,” says Soulieres.

Upon completion, you will receive provincial certification from Emergency Management Ontario.

For more, visit centennialcollege.ca/empsi/