

Homeland Security-Emergency Management

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2016 WORK PLAN ACTIVITIES TO ADDRESS FOCUS AREAS OF INDUSTRY SECTOR STRATEGY, EDUCATION, INNOVATION, EFFICIENCY & SUPPLY AND DEMAND FOCUS:

Prior Learning Assessment Statewide Conference – Working with Jo Ann Baria and Christina DuWors from Pierce College, presented an overview of career pathway work being done in the public safety, security and emergency management sector. Reported on a prior learning assessment model (crosswalk) based on Military Occupational Specialties (MOS) that is using with the HSEM six career pathways: Criminal Justice, Public Safety, Security, Cybersecurity, and Homeland Security Emergency Management. Criminal Justice was selected as the pilot and the COE developed a “Guide to Establishing Military Pathways” to frame the work. Reported on the pilot process established with the CJ programs and their coordinators to research and gather the needed MOS and training information to establish a “floor/minimum credits” recommended crosswalk. Presentation included talking about the challenges. The CJ work group meetings continue to address these challenges and work on the identification and agreement of a common core curriculum that crosswalks military outcomes and could be utilized by CJ programs statewide.

IAEM and BAS Annual Conferences - Attended the 2015 International Emergency Management (IAEM) Conference in Clark County, Nevada on November 15-19. It was reported that the conference had over 1,800 registrants from 17 countries around the globe in attendance. Staff attended a variety of workshops that ranged from topics such as “Emotional Leadership in Disasters”, “So...You Want/You’re Going to Be a Healthcare Emergency Manager”, “Women and Men, Boys and Girls: Why and How Gender Matters in Emergency Management, and “Reaching the Unreached: Building Resilience with Diverse Communities”. Made specific contacts with four (4) of the presenters to secure commitments to work with the Center to offer training workshops.

Attended the BAS Conference t Seattle Colleges Central North Campus. Conference was well attended and workshops focused on BAS assessment related to graduates and whether BAS has increased their opportunities in the workforce and discussed the importance of qualitative and quantitative data to support expanding BAS degree in the CTC system.

Community College Bachelors Association (CCBA) – The Center collaborated with Pierce College BAS Coordinator and Executive Staff to submit a presentation proposal to for its annual conference in March of 2016. The presentation will focus on lessons learned developing an online BAS in HSEM.

Career Pathways & Partnership – Reached out to the Executive Director, Thomas Mosby, of the newly established OSPI Career Pathways and Partnership office to coordinate efforts to expand the engagement of the K-12 system in the all six of the HSEM career pathways. Will be meeting with the Director and other staff to talk about the Clark County Skills Center Homeland Security

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Tailored Training Assistance for JBLM- Provided response to a request from SBCTC to assist JBLM's Career Skills Program regarding the development of curriculum and training for the growing field of Mission Critical Operations (MCO). We quickly responded providing an overview of what curriculum currently exists in the SBCTC system and what is available open source. The Center's experts will be able to assist to craft a customized curriculum to address the military training requirements.