



Department of Public and Occupational Safety

**The making and blending of a new
Emergency Management /Homeland Security
Bachelor of Applied Science Degree:
How and Why**

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WHY A COMMUNITY COLLEGE WITH A BACHELOR DEGREE???

- TMCC was the only Nevada CC that doesn't offer a Bachelors
- First Bachelor degree offered by GBC in 1999
- Will this change the college name?
- Will it change the college mission as a CC?
- Why a Bachelor of Applied Science?

WHY A BAS IN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT/HOMELAND SECURITY?

- Modernize our emergency services curriculum and education
- EM/HS is the modern era of emergency services
- Breadth of opportunity for graduates
 - Private Sector
 - Public Sector
- Pathway to advanced degrees not previously offered
- TMCC desired a BAS program

HOW DID WE DO IT?

- Developed Advisory Committee of Regional Practitioners
 - County Emergency Manager
 - Chief of State EM/HS
 - Red Cross
 - ARES
 - Public Health Disaster Response
 - NV Air National Guard
 - NV Army National Guard
 - Homeland Security Professionals
 - Law Enforcement
 - Fire Service
 - EMS
 - Healthcare Emergency Management Boston University
 - NPS Graduate
 - Regional Transportation EM
 - Higher Ed EM

COMBINING EM/HS

- It's the right thing to do...
- Invites diverse cohorts from various disciplines
- They are coincidental to one another
- It is what the post 9/11 America is engaged in
- Our Community of Interest agrees

DETERMINING CURRICULUM

- Reviewed curricula of 5 other programs
 - AMU/APU
 - Eastern Kentucky U
 - Texas Southern U
 - University of Nevada Las Vegas
 - College of Southern Nevada
- Reviewed EMI available resources
- Expertise of our Advisory Committee
- Recommendations of Consultant review
- Now in process of developing Curricula for Online Delivery

NEXT STEPS IN OUR PROCESS

- Gained final approval of Nevada System of Higher Education Board of Regents June 11, 2015
- Continue curriculum development in conjunction with online delivery
- Advertise ensuing program
- Continue working with Advisory Committee/Community of Interest
- Keep it relevant to the practice

QUESTIONS???

