



### What is Campus CERT?

The Campus Community Emergency Response Team (**CERT**) program is designed to prepare staff and students to help themselves, their family (friends), and their neighbors (local residents) in the event of a disaster. Because emergency services personnel will not be able to help everyone immediately, students can make a difference by using the training to save lives and protect property.

This training covers basic skills that are important to know in a disaster when emergency services are not available. With training and practice and by working as a team, staff and students will be able to do the greatest good for the greatest number after a disaster, while protecting themselves from becoming a victim. *This training is not intended for First Responders (Police, Fire, EMS) as they already have a background in the subject area.* When emergencies occur, **CERT** members can give critical support to first responders, provide immediate assistance to victims and organize spontaneous volunteers at a disaster site. **CERT** members can also help with non-emergency projects that help improve the safety of the campus community.

Eastern Michigan University's Health and Safety Office, is coordinating and implementing the training for Campus Community Emergency Response Team volunteers to respond to any type of emergency situation. This department will maintain and manage a database of all volunteer members of this **CERT** program in case of an emergency.

### Each CERT member will receive training in the following areas:

- Emergency Preparedness
- Fire Safety
- Emergency Medical Operations
- CERT organization
- Disaster Psychology
- Terrorism and CERT
- Course Review and Disaster Simulation



Each participant will receive a CERT kit. A CERT certificate will be awarded at the completion of the course.

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