Program Format:

The following is an outline of the agenda for the pre-conference program. Workshop participants will be able to propose questions to respective speakers throughout the day and speakers will promote best practices and lessons learned as a central theme of the workshop.

9:00 - 9:15: Welcome; Introductions – Dr. C. Ryan Akers

9:15 – 9:45: Session 1 (30 minutes): Recent Incidents and the Functions of Emergency Management on Campus (Prevention, Preparation, Response, and Recovery): Dr. Gene Zdziarski

9:45 – 10:30: Session 2 (45 minutes): Campus Safety Legislation Update (including FERPA, HIPAA, HEOA, Gun Ownership, etc.): Dr. John Wesley Lowery

10:30 - 11:00: Session 3 (30 minutes): Media Communication and the Use of Technology – Dr. Brandi Hephner LaBanc

11:00 – 11:15: Short Break

11:15 – 11:45: Session 4 (30 minutes): Threat Assessment Teams – Dr. Jen Day Shaw

11:45 - 12:45: Lunch on Your Own/Informal Discussion (60 minutes) regarding specific emergencies on campus. These specific emergencies will include: wildfires, flooding, active shooter scenario, tornados, hurricanes, and bomb threats.

12:45 - 3:15: Session 5 (150 minutes): Tabletop Exercises and the Role of Incident Command System and NIMS on Campus. Presenters will introduce the topic and give an overview of ICS and NIMS and apply the use of ICS terminology to 2 tabletop exercises relevant to our work on campus (one non-emergent campus threat and one emergent campus threat). Question and answer sessions and other opportunities for reflection will follow each tabletop exercise. Presenters will also offer their insight into the role of ICS in various preparation and response efforts as well as lessons learned from specific emergencies. Speakers: Dr. Grant Azdell and Mrs. Kristin Morgan

3:15 – 4:00: Session 6 (45 minutes): Behavioral and Threat Assessment Team Protocols – Speakers: Dr. Micky Sharma and Dr. Kelly Wesener

4:00 – 4:15: Workshop Evaluation; Concluding Remarks – Dr. C. Ryan Akers