

IOWA Advanced Professional Series (APS)

The FEMA Advanced Professional Series (APS) program was been turned over to the states training staff to validate and issue APS certificates. States are able to add to the current list of elective courses based on the environment or structure of that state. The [FEMA APS website](#) still lists the initial courses and will provide updates to the course lists as they change/retire.

The APS course list ensures us that you have the ability to perform essential work in a disaster that requires skills in emergency operations and management. These skills may be developed/enhanced through this series of courses that offers “how to” training focused on practical information. This series emphasizes and expands the applied skills in disaster operations, management and coordination.

The majority of the APS courses listed are designed for classroom delivery unless otherwise noted. Please contact Iowa training team if you have questions about the method of instruction. Many training consortium partners offer their courses as virtual offerings.

Requesting a Certificate of Completion:

Certificate of Completion

Iowa **requires all participants seeking an APS Certificate of Completion, to have completed IS 100, IS 200, IS 700, IS 800 of any version, and/or the Professional Development Series (PDS) to have a better understanding of the concepts of the APS courses.

Students will need to complete, from the list below, the **5 required courses** and **any 5 of the elective courses** listed to be eligible to receive the APS Certificate of Completion from Iowa HSEM Training team. [The Required and Elective courses must be taken within five \(5\) years of the first certificate date to the last course certificate date.](#)

Certificate Request

Requests for the certificate of completion must be emailed to HSEMDtraining@iowa.gov for verification. Include proof of attendance, either a copy of a certificate or transcript, of each course completed. Please allow 5-10 business days for review process to receive your APS Certificate of Completion via email.

For Further Information

If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact HSEM training team at HSEMDtraining@iowa.gov.

Use the below list to track the courses you have completed and continue to monitor our [statewide training site](#) for training opportunities to earn your APS certificate.

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Note: Required and Elective courses must be taken within five (5) years of the date of the first certificate date to the last course certificate date.

Required Courses	Month/Year taken	Acknowledged by
IS 2200 Basic EOC Functions or <i>G 2300 Intermediate EOC Functions</i>		
G 191 Incident Command System/Emergency Operations Center Interface (8hrs), or <i>E/L449 ICS Train the Trainer*</i>		
G 205 Recovery from Disaster, the Local Government Role (17hrs), or <i>E210 Recovery from Disaster, the Local Government Role*</i>		
G 393 Mitigation for Emergency Managers (19hrs) or <i>G 318 Mitigation Planning for Local Governments</i>		
G 557 Rapid Assessment Workshop (8hrs)		
Elective Courses (choose any 5 of the below electives)	Month/Year taken	Acknowledged by
G 108 Community Mass Care and Emergency Assistance (16hrs)		
G 202 Debris Management Planning for State, Local and Tribal Officials* (32hrs)		
G 235 Emergency Planning (16hrs) or <i>L 0103 Planning, Emergency Operations</i>		
G 271 Hazardous Weather and Flood Preparedness (17hrs), or <i>IS 271 Anticipating Hazardous Weather and Community Risk</i>		
G 272 Warning Coordination (12hrs)		
G 288 Local Volunteer and Donations Management (10hrs) or <i>G 489 Management of Spontaneous Volunteers in Disasters</i>		
G 358 Evacuation and Re-entry Planning (16hrs)		
G 372 Flood Response Operations (20hrs) <i>previously G 361</i>		
G 361 Multi-hazard Emergency Planning for K-12 Schools (12hrs), or <i>L363 Multi-Hazard Planning for Higher Education*</i>		
G 386 Mass Fatalities (14hrs)		
E/L 0105 Public Information Basics (24hrs)		
E/L/G 0141 Instructional Presentation and Evaluation Skills (18hrs)		
E/L/G 0146 Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP) (14hrs)		
Elective courses: Additional courses per Iowa EMAs	Month/Year taken	Acknowledged by
AWR 326 Tornado Awareness (8hrs)		
AWR 328 All Hazards Planning for Animals in Disaster (8hrs)		
E 1301 Continuity Planning (14hrs)		
MGT 447 Managing Food Emergencies (16hrs)		
MGT 448 All Hazards for Ag and Livestock (8hrs)		
MGT 452 Physical and Cyber Security (8hrs)		
MGT 460 Planning for Disaster Debris Management (8hrs)		
PER 304 Social Media in Disasters (8hrs)		
PER 343 Social Media Engagement (8hrs)		