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# FEMA

## 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Hazus User Conference: Registration Open!

The South Carolina Emergency Management Division and the College of Charleston Lowcountry Hazards Center will host the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Hazus User Conference in **Charleston, South Carolina** from **November 7 - 9, 2016** at the College of Charleston. **Registration is free** and you can reserve your spot at <http://www.hazusconference.com/>. This year's theme is "**Achieving Disaster Resilience through Hazus Innovation.**"

Check out the site to find details on [how to register](#), [how to submit a presentation abstract](#), what [types of accommodations](#) are available near the conference, how to [become an exhibitor or sponsor](#), and [general information on the conference itself](#).

**Abstracts:** Participants and attendees are encouraged to submit **presentation abstracts** that address the theme. Submissions can incorporate Hazus-related applications including but not limited to:

- The use of Hazus in flood, earthquake, or hurricane studies
- International applications of Hazus; academic uses
- Enhancements of Hazus hazard and exposure inputs

Details for submitting are below:

- Submissions should include the presenter's complete contact information, a brief biography, and an abstract around 150 words in length
- All abstract submissions should be emailed to the Hazus Outreach Team at [hazus-outreach@riskmapcds.com](mailto:hazus-outreach@riskmapcds.com), and must be received **no later than August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016**.



**About Hazus:** Hazus is a nationally applicable standardized methodology that contains models for estimating potential losses from earthquakes, floods, and hurricanes and was developed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the National Institute of Building Sciences (NIBS). Hazus uses Geographic Information Systems (GIS) technology to estimate physical, economic, and social impacts of disasters.

Hazus continues to grow both in terms of its capabilities as well as increasing national and international interest. The Conference will showcase the latest advances in research and practice, and provides an opportunity for users to meet, collaborate and share information regarding new and innovative applications of the Hazus-MH technology and resources.

If you have any questions, please visit <http://www.hazusconference.com/> or contact [hazus-outreach@riskmapcds.com](mailto:hazus-outreach@riskmapcds.com).



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# esri

We would like to thank our partners for this event.



## Upcoming Courses

[E0317: Comprehensive Data Management for Hazus-MH](#)  
August 29 – September 1, 2016

[E0179: Application of Hazus-MH for Disaster Operations](#)  
September 26 – 29, 2016

Download the course schedule and enroll at the [EMI Courses Page](#)

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## Hazus Conference Continued

### Frequently Asked Questions

#### What is the address of the event?

The College of Charleston  
66 George Street, Charleston, SC 29424

#### What are my transportation/parking options for the event?

The hotels listed on the Accommodations page are all within walking or short taxi ride distance to the conference venue. Hotels provide parking accommodations at an additional rate if you do drive or rent a vehicle.

#### Where can I get information on things to do in Charleston?

For more information about Charleston and the area around the conference venue, go to <http://www.charlestoncvb.com/>. For information on South Carolina, visit <http://discoversouthcarolina.com>.

#### How can I contact the organizer with any questions?

If you have any questions, please reach out to the Hazus Outreach Team at [hazus-outreach@riskmapcds.com](mailto:hazus-outreach@riskmapcds.com) or contact the volunteer organizer, Charlie Kaufman, at [ckaufman@emd.sc.gov](mailto:ckaufman@emd.sc.gov).

#### Where can I get lodging information for the event?

The [accommodations](#) page has provided discounted hotels. A complete list of hotels in the area is provided [here](#).

#### Can I submit an abstract or presentation for the event?

If you would like to submit an abstract or have questions regarding your submission, please email the Hazus Outreach Team at [hazus-outreach@riskmapcds.com](mailto:hazus-outreach@riskmapcds.com).

## New Hazus Virtual Courses Released

New versions of the Hazus Virtual Courses, offered through the [Esri Training Catalog](#), have recently been made available to the public. The courses, which were made public as of June 2016, bring the materials up to date with version 3.0 of the Hazus software and are compatible with ArcGIS 10.2.2. The courses can also be used with version 3.1 of the Hazus software and subtle differences in the two versions are noted in the materials.

Virtual training courses make it easy for users to harness the power of Hazus to get a quantified and geospatial view of the potential risks your community faces. Once you know what could happen, your community can make informed decisions to prevent losses and protect its citizens. With online courses to serve varying interests and training needs, the Esri Virtual Campus series will help public

and private organizations plan for and mitigate natural disasters.

The older versions of the courses (2.0) will be removed in early July 2016. Those course participants that have already downloaded these versions of the courses will have them available for up to year after their download, but no new downloads will be allowed after that time.

To access the virtual courses, visit the [Esri Training Catalog](#) and type 'Hazus' in the search box.

For questions about these course updates, you can reach out to the Hazus Outreach Team at [hazus-outreach@riskmapcds.com](mailto:hazus-outreach@riskmapcds.com).