



We Want YOU on Our Team!

If you are interested in knowing more about how you can become a valuable campus community resource, then CERT is for you!

Who is Able to Participate?

All CSU Students, Staff & Faculty

Name

Address

City, Zip

Cell Phone

E-mail

Please return this form to:

CSU CERT

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Police Department**

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www.csuohio.edu/police/community-emergency-response-team-cert



Classes forming Spring & Fall 2016

For additional information, please visit the CSU Police web page, click on "emergency management."

A complete listing of the **C-CERT** training and information is available for your review.

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GET! ENGAGED!



The Campus Community Emergency Response Team (C-CERT) program educates people about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations.

Cleveland State University Community Emergency Response Team (C-CERT)

What is CERT?

Local government prepares for everyday emergencies. However, during a disaster, the number and scope of incidents can overwhelm conventional emergency services.

The **Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)** program is all-risk, all-hazard training. This valuable course is designed to help you protect yourself and others in an emergency situation.



CERT is a positive and realistic approach to emergency and disaster situations where citizens may initially be on their own and their actions can make a difference.

While people will respond to others in need without the training, one goal of the **CERT** program is to help them do so effectively and efficiently without placing themselves in unnecessary danger by giving them basic training.

CERT Training Topics:

- Disaster Preparedness
- Fire Safety
- Disaster Medical Operations
- Light Search and Rescue
- CERT Organization
- Disaster Psychology
- Terrorism & CERT



CERT History



The CERT concept was developed and implemented by the Los Angeles City Fire Department in 1985.

The Whittier Narrows earthquake in 1987 created an awareness of the area-wide threat of a major disaster. Further, it confirmed the need for training civilians to meet their immediate needs. As a result, the LAFD created the Disaster Preparedness Division with the purpose of training citizens, and private and government employees. FEMA made this training available nationally in 1993. Since this time, CERT programs have been established in more than 340 communities in 45 states.

CSU CERT Team

The **Campus Community Emergency Response Team** at CSU is made up of campus community members who are willing to get involved and lend a hand in the event of a disaster or emergency situation.

Team members undergo an extensive 20 hour training program which emphasizes hands on practice. Classes are taught by trained emergency professionals.



CERT Benefits

The **CERT** course benefits any citizen who takes it. This individual will be better prepared to respond to and cope with the aftermath of a disaster. Additionally, if a community wants to supplement its response capability after a disaster, civilians can be recruited and trained as neighborhood, business, and government teams that, in essence, will be auxiliary responders. These groups can provide immediate assistance to victims in their area, organize spontaneous volunteers who have not had the training, and collect disaster intelligence that will assist professional responders with prioritization and allocation of resources following a disaster.