



Q: What is CERT?

A: CERT is the abbreviation used for Community Emergency Response Team. CERT is a Citizen Corp program designed to prepare individuals to help themselves and the immediate community in the event of a catastrophic disaster. To learn more about CERT see: <https://www.citizencorps.gov/cert/>

Q: What role does the Wellness, Health Promotion, and Injury Prevention Program at Oakland University play?

A: The Program offers CERT courses to students for credit [WHP 311(2)]. Continuing Education courses are offered to the general public to attend at the same time WHP 311 is offered to Oakland University students.

Q: What is covered in a CERT course?

A: Concepts, rationale, theory and practical applications of basic citizen preparedness for disaster survival and rescue skills are covered. The Department of Homeland Security CERT, plus Weapons of Mass Destruction Terrorism curricula are utilized. Each section offers a certificate upon successful completion of the course. Specific course content covers:

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| • Introduction to unintentional and intentional injury: | The magnitude of the problem. |
| • Basic injury prevention and control strategies | • Disaster preparedness |
| • Fire Safety and Fire Suppression Practical | • Disaster psychology |
| • Disaster medical operations 1 | • Disaster medical operations 2 |
| • Light search and rescue operations | • CERT Organization |
| • Terrorism | • Disaster simulation practical |

Q: Is there any prerequisite course or knowledge required?

A: No.

Q: Who teaches the courses?

A: The course coordinator is Dr. Stafford C. Rorke, FACSM, CERT Instructor. Co-instructors are: Nancy Butty: Rochester Hills Fire Department, CERT Instructor; and Sgt. Steven Schneider: Oakland County Sheriff's Office.

Q: What is the cost for the course?

A: Students of Oakland University register for credit and pay normal tuition rates. Currently the subsidized fee for community participants is \$100.00.

Q: When are courses offered?

A: Classes are offered based on demand - see the SAIL schedule of classes at:
https://sail.oakland.edu/PROD/twbkwbis.P_GenMenu?name=homepage

Q: How do I register?

A: Oakland students register via SAIL. Community participants interested in the Continuing Education course option should please contact: Dr. Stafford Rorke at: Email: rorke@oakland.edu or call (248) 370-3544.