

Kelly Boysen – Biography

Kelly Boysen is the Director of Emergency Management at the University of Houston, a Tier 1 university with more than 45,000 students. In this role, Kelly leads the Office of Emergency Management whose mission is to improve and expand the University's resilience to disaster through various preparedness, response, and recovery activities. Kelly oversees the development and maintenance of campus wide emergency plans, directs the University's business continuity program, and the University's Emergency Operations Center (EOC).

Kelly has a Bachelor of Science in Meteorology from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, and a Master's degree in Applied Geography with research concentrations in natural hazards and emergency planning from Texas State University. Kelly is a member of the International Association of Emergency Managers (IAEM) and holds an Associate Emergency Manager (AEM) credential. Through training, experience and additional certifications, Kelly is well versed in the National Incident Management System (NIMS), Threat & Risk Assessment, EOC Operations, and Sports and Special Events Incident Management. Kelly also serves as the Co-Chair for the Gulf Coast Higher Education Emergency Management Consortium and serves in the Texas State Guard as a Communications Operator providing inoperable radio communications and IT capabilities to federal, state and local response agencies during a state-wide emergency.