

GEORGIA COLLEGE AND STATE UNIVERSITY (GCSU) MRC PROPOSAL**Background**

Dr. MacMillan, director of the School of Nursing (SON) at GCSU, expressed a commitment to support the formation of the MRC unit at GCSU. Dr. Fowler submits this application and proposal for the MRC, and will function as the MRC leader. Dr. Fowler will incorporate MRC training for students in the community course in Fall, 2019. The training is part of the required clinical coursework for the nursing students. Dr. Fowler and Dr. Thomas are community course faculty.

Mission

GCSU MRC Mission- support disaster relief efforts and provide qualified MRC cadre of volunteers. Support the existing disaster community framework.

MRC Goals

GCSU MRC goals:

1. form MRC unit for the school of nursing (SON) and college of health sciences (COHS)
2. train faculty and students as MRC volunteers- Fall 2019- 55 students/3 faculty
3. ongoing training for students and faculty
4. support community and regional disaster relief efforts, Baldwin County

Committee Members

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Sustainability

Several faculty members hold certification as MRC volunteers. All nursing faculty and administration members will be encouraged to obtain MRC certification. Going forward, students in the community course will be required to complete MRC training. Students will be encouraged to maintain involvement in the serve list after graduation. GCSU MRC will support the community and GCSU partners. The MRC unit will reach out to the College of Health Sciences (COHS) and the university base.

Partners/Outreach

DPH, Baldwin County

Navicent Baldwin Hospital

Baldwin County/Milledgeville Emergency Preparedness Office- Mr. Wayne Johnson,

EM Director 478-445-441

Office of Emergency Preparedness

The GCSU MRC will also communicate with and partner with the existing units in middle Georgia and at UGA

Organizational Structure

The GCSU MRC will be led by Dr. Fowler, and supported by the SON directors and administrative staff. The overarching planning is done by the Baldwin County Emergency Management division. The MRC leader will ensure that volunteers are registered with the SERVGA registry. No budget needs are anticipated at this time.

The GCSU MRC will participate in public health preparedness and emergency response activities. The MRC will be active in the MRC network. The MRC will also participate in annual MRC Technical Assistance assessment annually.

