

Stronger Standards, Safer Homes: Solving Louisiana's Insurance Crisis

This course offers a practical and comprehensive examination of resilient building construction and wind mitigation strategies that strengthen Louisiana communities and lead to more affordable insurance discounts. Through interactive sessions and real-world examples, participants will gain the knowledge and tools needed to support resilient construction practices that reduce disaster losses and attract insurance investment across the state.

A laptop or tablet is required.

What participants will learn:

- How resilient construction can lower insurance costs and improve community recovery
- Fundamentals of IBHS Fortified Standards and their three levels (Roof, Silver, Gold)
- Benefits of Wind Mitigation Surveys and how to leverage them for insurance discounts
- Available funding programs and legislative initiatives supporting Fortified construction
- How to engage communities and enforce building codes to improve resilience

Who the course is for:

- Parish officials
- Elected officials
- Emergency managers
- Municipal leaders and planners
- State departments and agencies
- Builders, inspectors, and industry representatives



**Abdalla Hall Auditorium
University of Louisiana at Lafayette
635 Cajundome Blvd.
Lafayette, LA 70506**



March 25, 2026

12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

March 26, 2026

8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Register Now!

Click the link below or scan the code.



<https://stems.gohsep.la.gov/courses/6147/offerings/11312>

Traveling over 35 miles?

Rooms and an evening meal may be provided upon request for attendees who live more than 35 miles from Abdalla Hall.



**Deadline for Lodging &
Meal Reservation:**

March 18, 2026

Hotel Accommodations

*DoubleTree by Hilton Lafayette
1521 W. Pinhook Rd, Lafayette, LA 70503*

- If lodging/meal is requested, GOHSEP will coordinate with LEPA & the Double Tree Hotel and send out a confirmation email to participants.
- Confirmation emails will be sent to participants before the close of business on March 21, 2026.
- Check-in will be after 3:00 pm on March 25, 2026 (after class), pending request.
- For any cancellations, please contact Trevis.Thompson@la.gov.

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