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DISSERTATION TITLE:

Add Mitigating Risk: A Delphi Study
Identifying Competencies in Sport and
Event Security Management

Chair: Dr. Quincy Brown

EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Bachelor's Degree

Political Science
The University of Mississippi

Master's Degree

Political Science
The University of Southern Mississippi

Doctoral Degree

Human Capital Development
The University of Southern Mississippi

Dr. Elli Voorhees is currently the Director of Education and Training for the Security Industry Association (SIA). Dr. Voorhees leads the expansion of SIA's portfolio of key education, training, and career development initiatives. She is responsible for SIA Education at ISC conference programming for ISC West and ISC East, the largest converged security events in North America. Additionally, Dr. Voorhees curates educational resources for the SIA Center of Excellence and manages the development and ongoing maintenance of various training courses and certification programs offered by SIA.

Prior to joining SIA, Dr. Voorhees served as the Manager of Certifications and Compliance for the National Center for Spectator Sports Safety and Security (NCS4) at the University of Mississippi where she developed the first certification program for sport and event security professionals and earned the program accreditation by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) ISO 17024 for certification bodies. In addition to her certification development duties, she oversaw the consultation, creation, and validation of safety and security best practices and standards which have informed the development a various risk assessment tools and technologies utilized by sport and event security professionals within the commercial facilities sector.