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## Opportunities of Interest

### Graduate Assistantship in Surge and Wind Vulnerability modeling, Wind and Hurricane Impact

*(Florida, USA)*



The doctoral candidate will advance the state of the art in risk analysis and vulnerability modeling for storm surge, flood, and wind. The research will include developing new models, improving existing ones, and quantifying the uncertainty in risk models, among other possible topics. The student will be part of the multi-disciplinary team of the Florida Public Hurricane Loss Model. Review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled.

For additional information, contact [Dr. Jean-Paul Pinelli](mailto:Dr. Jean-Paul Pinelli) (ph: 1-321-674-8085) by email or phone.

### PhD in Regional Disaster Resilience Conceptualization and Operationalization

*(Newcastle, GB)*



An opportunity has arisen at Northumbria University for a PhD study to critically examine the conceptualisation and operationalisation of regional disaster resilience. To accomplish this the PhD student will be expected to engage with a multidisciplinary environment and have a good knowledge of applicable theoretical approaches that can be used for understanding and explaining regional disaster resilience

<https://www.findaphd.com/search/projectdetails.aspx?PID=92484>

## Other Items of Interest

### Disasters, Displacement, and Human Rights Program Conference

9-11 February 2018

*(Tennessee, USA)*

This conference will explore the factors that can affect whether situations become crises or opportunities. Topics include understanding the complex processes that impact how communities deal with uncertainty, examining individual life experiences in the context of larger societal transition, and creating strategies to enhance engagement throughout communities during times of transition.

<http://anthropology.utk.edu/disasters-displacement-and-human-rights-program/2018-ddhr-conference/registration/>

## Other News

### Asia prioritizes Sendai Target

**BANGKOK, 15 December 2017** – Governments and stakeholder partners from across Asia have renewed their commitment to a substantial increase in the number of countries with national and local disaster risk reduction strategies by 2020. The call for action on Target (e) of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction, the global plan to reduce disaster losses, was made this week at the ISDR Asia Partnership (IAP), an inter-governmental and stakeholder forum that meets biannually. Officials from 19 governments have been meeting in Bangkok this week to review progress on disaster risk reduction in the region and to support preparations for the Asian Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction 2018 (AMCDRR 2018), in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia.



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