



# NEWS BULLETIN

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International Society for  
Integrated Disaster Risk Management

## Opportunities of Interest

### Assistant/Associate Professor Positions in Disaster Science

(Newark, DE, USA)

The [University of Delaware](http://www.udel.edu) (UD) invites talented scholars pursuing research questions related to disasters, hazards and crisis, aiming at filling multiple tenure-track/tenured positions in Disaster Science at the Assistant or Associate Professor level, **beginning September 1, 2019**. Candidates should hold a doctoral degree at the time of appointment with research interest related to **social perspectives on risk, hazards and disasters**, while commitment to interdisciplinary research and teaching, diversity and inclusion and community engagement will be appreciated. Review of applications has already begun since October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018, but will continue **until the positions are covered**.



<https://www.drc.udel.edu/news/Pages/clusterhire.aspx>

## Conferences of Interest

### 4<sup>th</sup> Global Summit of Research Institutes for Disaster Risk Reduction (4GSRIDRR)

(13-15 March; Kyoto, Japan)



Under the topic "*Increasing the effectiveness and relevance of our institutes*", the 4<sup>th</sup> Global Summit will discuss the governing nature of empirical research on disaster risk reduction conducted by various research institutions nationally and globally. Emphasis will be placed on integrated disaster research with a wider focus on collaborative research activities. The event is sponsored by the Global Alliance of Disaster Research Institutes (GADRI) and Kyoto University. Registration until **28 Feb** (early bird: **31 Jan**).

<http://gadri.net/summit/>

## Other Items of Interest

### Implementation Guide for Man-made and Technological Hazards

(4 Dec, 2018)

The United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR) launched the Implementation Guide for Man-made and Technical Hazards highlighting the **urgent need to tackle man-made disasters worldwide**. The latest guide in the UNISDR series "*Words into Action*" aims at supporting the implementation of the global plan to reduce disaster losses, the Sendai Framework for DRR 2015-2030, by expanding the traditional scope of disaster risk management beyond natural hazards to include "*man-made hazards, as well as related environmental, technological and biological hazards and risks*".

<https://www.unisdr.org/archive/62376>

### Information from citizens could improve flood modelling

(5 Dec, 2018)

Researchers are working to develop improved methods for flood prevention and warning. A new study points to the potential of an approach that integrates water level data reported by citizens into flood forecasting models.

<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2018/12/181205093636.htm>

### Media coverage of disasters can have lasting effects on children's mental health

(6 Dec, 2018)

Disaster communication experts say disaster media coverage can have lasting effects on children's mental health and suggest teachers and parents be prepared to respond to questions during and after a catastrophe.

<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2018/12/181206135701.htm>

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