PhD Student Traineeship in Disasters, Climate & Health

The University of Washington’s Collaborative on Extreme Event Resilience (CEER) has an opportunity for a PhD student interested in conducting research on the development, implementation and effectiveness of public health and healthcare-related disaster and climate change preparedness, response and recovery strategies. CEER is a research lab focused on conducting applied, policy-relevant research about the health impacts of disasters and climate change, and policy and programmatic solutions to build resilience. The student will be supervised by Dr. Nicole Errett.

The PhD student will work with Dr. Errett to develop and implement a research project focused on these topics. The PhD student will also support a number of ongoing disaster, climate and health-related research projects and serve as the teaching assistant for ENVH: 406/506: Disasters and Public Health. Specific research support tasks include (but are not limited to) the collection and analysis of qualitative and quantitative data; assistance with IRB related activities including submissions, approvals, modifications, and renewals; and contributions to manuscript development and report writing.

Candidates should have excellent knowledge, experience and interest in qualitative, community-engaged and/or social science research methods in at least one of the following areas: disaster risk reduction, public health preparedness, health resilience, healthcare emergency management or climate change adaptation. Students must apply and be admitted to the University of Washington’s Department of Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences PhD program in Environmental and Occupational Health to be considered for this opportunity. The traineeship will include up to three years of funding support.