

Environmental Science Seminar Series

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TITLE

Understanding Community Resilience to Disasters: insights from COVID19 and Wildfires in BC

SPEAKER

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ABSTRACT

There is considerable research interest on the meaning and conceptual challenges quantifying/measurement of 'resilience' from a variety of research perspectives including the sciences, humanities, and social sciences. In this presentation, Dr. Nikku, a social work faculty shares the initial results from three collaborative research projects that investigated frontline workers and community resilience to COVID19 and Wildfire disasters in BC. Disaster resilient communities will have accessible high-quality human services, health systems, and infrastructure that help to prepare and recover from disaster events. In other words, Community resilience is the summative abilities to face, withstand, adapt to, and recover from adversities, shaped by cultural, economic, social, political and policy practices.

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