Student Panel: 
Interdisciplinary Perspectives from Current 
EWC Student Research on Preparedness and 
Response

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6:30 – 8:00 p.m.
Keoni Auditorium, Imin International Conference Center

Jiwnath Ghimire is a PhD candidate in the Department of Urban and Regional Planning and EWCA alumni scholar. His research interest is in climate adaptation in small and medium size Asian cities. His research goal is to explore success and challenges of climate adaptation in coastal cities in Vietnam.

Kencho Dem is a MBA student in the Shidler College of Business and EWC graduate degree fellow. She is also getting a certificate in disaster management and humanitarian assistant from the Department of Urban and Regional Planning.

Pragya Pradhan is a Master’s student in the Department of Urban and Regional Planning and EWC graduate degree fellow. She focuses on disaster management and community planning. She has been working on a research for NOAA funded project on capacity building for community resilience in American Samoa.

David Nguyen is a Phd candidate in the Department of Urban and Regional Planning and alumnus of the EWC student program. He focused on ‘Geographic Information Systems’ that could be used in disaster response in the event of another catastrophic flood in the Russian Federation. His current research interest lies in the economic geography of Okinawa’s tourism industry.

Refreshments will be served. Please bring your own cup, plate/bowl and utensil. The public is invited to attend. Check out our WES blog - http://mywes.info/