



CERD Efforts and Activities



Research

We have the goal of building community disaster management system that places the highest priority on saving lives. In preparation for complex, high-consequence disasters, it combines features of advanced disaster science, information technology, and citizen science.

To protect residents from natural disasters, residents themselves must gain accurate knowledge of the risks that exist in their particular living environment and develop preparedness measures to apply in their day-to-day lives.



Education

We offer the Community and Disaster Management General Education Program to both OCU students and members of the community. All these offerings are organized mainly by members of CERD, a cross-sectoral organization, in order to provide both theoretical and practical training. One feature of our various programs is the active learning style of education which enables all to learn practical disaster management in a real community and not simply the knowledge required for community disaster management.



Social Cooperation

We conduct community contribution activities in various ways so that knowledge on disasters and disaster prevention can be used for the disaster prevention activities in communities. The achievements record and information shared through this program will be reported in the Community Disaster Management Forum, a presentation of the results. These activities will encourage an exchange of opinion regarding future challenges. Researchers as lecturers are delivering classes to elementary and junior high schools, etc., and lectures at various places are also carried out.

CERD Members



Director Muneki MITAMURA

Deputy Director Takaaki SHIGEMATSU / Daisuke SAEKI / Eisuke IKUTA

[Unit I]

Disaster Risk

Leader Nagahiro YOSHIDA

Graduate School of Engineering
Infrastructure Planning and Transportation Engineering



His research topic covers safety, environment, and health issues in traffic engineering and transportation planning especially for people with mobility impairments. In terms of disaster management, a cross-sectoral and multi-dimensional approach to improve resilience is tried to introduce in local activities both pre- and post-disasters. mobility impairments, walking and cycling for transport, cross-sectoral approach

Toru ENDO

Graduate School of Engineering
Aquatic Environmental Engineering



His study is environmental dynamics analysis in urban estuarine and coastal seas. He researches the effect of disturbance phenomenon such as flood or tsunami on aquatic environment and ecosystem function of river in this project. Yamato river, flood, environmental assessment, ecosystem function

Akihiko OSHIMA

Graduate School of Engineering
Geotechnical Engineering



Study of consolidation, compaction and strength for soil, 250m square mesh ground model based on geo-informatics database. Prediction of ground settlement and liquefaction countermeasure due to groundwater lowering. Construction of site amplification map on earthquake. Development of housing ground investigation for liquefaction judgment. Liquefaction, Settlement prediction, Groundwater, Geo-informatics database, Ground investigation

Yoshinori KANJO

Graduate School of Engineering
Water and Wastewater Engineering



Water supply demand balance in the post-quake period in Osaka City
Relationship between the distributions of shelters, population and estimated earthquake intensity in Osaka City during the Uemachi fault earthquake
Uemachi fault earthquake, water supply demand balance, shelter, earthquake intensity, fire-fighting water

Hiroaki KITO

Graduate School of Engineering
Hybrid Structure



Elucidation of mechanical properties of steel-concrete hybrid members and structures. Development of rational design method of steel-concrete hybrid structures. Repairing and reinforcing existing structures and their application for longer life durability, repair, reinforcement, seismic

Yoshinari KIMURA

Graduate School of Literature and Human Sciences
Geographic Information Science.



Assessment of the accessibility of the emergency medical service and disaster medical care system using GIS.
GIS, Accessibility, Emergency medical service, Disaster medicine

Takaaki SHIGEMATSU

Graduate School of Engineering
River and Coastal Engineering



Development of tsunami evacuation shelter and researches on inundation by river water, inundation inside levees, and inundation propagation characteristics in the underground space. Evacuation shelter from tsunami, Combined water disasters, Evacuation

Hideya TAKAHASHI

Graduate School of Engineering
Information System Engineering



Research on mobile information display effective for rescue / evacuation.
head-mounted display, retinal projection display

Tomohito TAKUBO

Graduate School of Engineering
Robotics



Development of legged robot for inspection of structural object and autonomous wheeled mobile robot for mapping. Research on searching for particular people by autonomous mobile robot using mounted cameras and 3D-LiDAR. Autonomous mobile robot, Mapping

Atsushi TAKIZAWA

Graduate School of Human Life Science
Architectural Informatics



He researches wide-area evacuation and walking home simulation, the fastest evacuation planning by discrete algorithm, and allocation of evacuation centers. Evacuation planning, evacuation simulation, multi-agent, mathematical programming, fastest flow model

Yoshiya TANIGUCHI

Graduate School of Engineering
Structural Engineering for Architecture



Research on structural properties to present an estimation method of ultimate seismic resistant capacity for spatial structures.
Spatial structures, Bearable PGA, Structural property

Hisao TSUNOKAKE

Graduate School of Engineering
Concrete Structure



He is aiming for longer life and seismic resistance centering on concrete infrastructure structures. He conducts research to maintain existing structures by verifying durability and repairing and reinforcing existing concrete structures. durability, repair, reinforcement, seismic

Sota NAKAJO

Graduate School of Engineering
Coastal engineering, Hydraulics



1) Estimation of meteorological and oceanographic disaster, worst-case scenario and its frequency.
2) Appropriate presentation method of disaster risk information.
3) Assessment of climate change effect. storm surge, anomaly tide, tropical cyclone, disaster prevention planning, risk communication

Minako NABESHIMA

Graduate School of Engineering
Ph.D., thermal energy utilization and facilities



She is interested in energy-saving facilities for hot water supply and air conditioning of buildings from the viewpoint of BCP and LCP. Hot water supply, Air conditioning, Energy-saving, Sustainability

Tatsuya NEMOTO

Graduate School of Science
Geoinformatics



Three-dimensional geologic modeling and visualization methodology. Development of a web-based system for sharing geological data. Three-dimensional geologic model, Visualization, Web-GIS, Spatial database

Tsuyoshi HARAGUCHI

Graduate School of Science
Engineering Geology



Research on disasters such as earthquake, tsunami, slope collapse. Study on rise and fall of ancient civilization and environmental change. earthquake, tsunami, slope, ancient civilization, environmental change

Shinji MASUMOTO

Graduate School of Science
Geoinformatics



Development of three-dimensional geological modeling system based on the logical model of geologic structure and its application using geographic information system. 3D geological model, geographic information system

Satoshi MIZUTANI

Graduate School of Engineering
Waste management



He studies disaster waste management. Estimation of demolition waste generation amount based on building stock in city and seismic intensity prediction. Prediction of generation and distribution of chemical-polluted/hazardous waste at disaster by using chemicals management system such as PRTR. Disaster waste, demolition waste, chemicals management, PRTR, GIS

Muneki MITAMURA

Graduate School of Science
Urban Geology



Disaster characteristics of the Holocene strata. Relation between earthquake damages and artificial valley fills. Holocene sediments, Alluvial Plain, Artificial strata, Geohazards

Daisuke YOSHIDA

Graduate School of Engineering
Geoinformatics



Satellite positioning systems and geographical information systems (GIS), and the applications for disaster reduction research and urban infrastructure maintenance. Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS), Geographical Information Systems (GIS), Augmented Reality (AR), Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV)

Susumu YOSHINAKA

Graduate School of Engineering
Structural Engineering for Architecture



He mainly studies on vibration response control for large span structures. And he develops novel ceiling suspended by diagonal cables for prevention of fall of ceiling in large scale facilities. Large span structure, Vibration control, Suspended ceiling

Takashi YAMAGUCHI

Graduate School of Engineering
Bridge Engineering, Steel Structure



Development of an emergency temporary bridge
Re-use, Rapid construction, Temporary bridge

Suguru YAMADA

Graduate School of Engineering
Geotechnical Engineering



Laboratory and Insitu experiments aiming to develop reasonable liquefaction countermeasures and assessment. Cyclic triaxial test, Bender element test, Soil improvement, New Geomaterials for soil improvement. Liquefaction, Soil Improvement, Ground Investigation, Laboratory Testing

Go YONEZAWA

Graduate School of Engineering
Area Informatics



Research on spatiotemporal analysis using urban geospatial data of Vietnam for disaster management
Vietnam, GIS, 3-D geological model, DEM, Spatiotemporal analysis

Venkatesh RAGHAVAN

Graduate School of Engineering
Geoinformatics and Remote Sensing



Research on GIS and Remote Sensing technologies for spatial data acquisition, visualization, analysis and sharing and their applications for sustainable urban development
GIS, Remote Sensing, Spatial Analysis, Image Processing, Open Source Software

Tsugumichi WATANABE

Graduate School of Human Life Science
Civil Engineering



Durability Mechanics
Concrete Structure

Research Fellow

Takuya SATO	Atmospheric Science
Toshikazu SETO	Social Geography, Geographic Information Science
Akimasa TAKENAKA	Information education/ geographical information systems (GIS) / Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV)
Koichi NAKAGAWA	Engineering Geology, Geophysics

[Unit II]

Disaster Preparation

Leader **Hitoshi WATANABE**

Research Center for Urban Health and Sports
Health and sports science



Improvement of resilience on self-help and community-cooperation in disasters. Development of guidelines on health and physical fitness for vulnerable people in the evacuation from disasters.
Evacuation, Physical fitness, Health, Resilience, vulnerable people in disaster

Eisuke IKUTA

Graduate School of Human Life Science
Environmental Safety Engineering



Mechanism of Human Casualty due to Disaster
Plan and Practice for Community based Disaster Management Assistance for Vulnerable Populations
Consciousness of Disaster Risk and Risk Communication
Human casualty, Community based Disaster Management, Disaster Education, Risk Communication

Daiki IMAI

Research Center for Urban Health and Sports
Environmental physiology for exercise



Improvement of self-help and community cooperation resilience for disaster. Development of the indicators of health and physical fitness required while evacuation for vulnerable people in disaster.
Evacuation, Physical fitness, Health, Resilience, vulnerable people in disaster

Kazunobu OKAZAKI

Research Center for Urban Health and Sports
Health and sports science



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Evacuation, Physical fitness, Health, Resilience, vulnerable people in disaster

Akira OGITA

Research Center for Urban Health and Sports
Health Biosciences



Improvement of resilience on self-help and community-cooperation in disasters. Development of guidelines on health and physical fitness for vulnerable people in the evacuation from disasters.
Evacuation, Physical fitness, Health, Resilience, vulnerable people in disaster

Yukiko KANAYA

Graduate School of Nursing
Community Health Nursing



Research on Disaster Risk Reduction Training to Community Volunteers.
disaster, risk reduction, cooperation community, community volunteers, risk reduction

Tadao KAWAI

Graduate School of Engineering
Diagnosis Engineering



Using image processing or vibration analysis, diagnosis and evaluation techniques to detect damage in a machine or infrastructure are developed. These work lead to the CIM (Construction Information Modeling) in the field of maintenance.
Damage, Evaluation, Diagnosis, Image Processing, Vibration Analysis

Megumi KAWAHARA

Graduate School of Nursing
Cancer / Acute Nursing Science

Disaster Nursing

disaster, survivor, education, self-care

Hiroimi SAKUDA

Graduate School of Nursing
Cancer / Acute Nursing Science



Disaster Nursing

disaster, survivor, education, self-care

Hong Gyu JEON

Urban Research Plaza
Asian Urban Studies



He conducts comparative research on housing welfare in Asian cities. From the perspective of disaster prevention / analyze practices that involve the empowerment of people vulnerable to disasters, like elderly and disabled members of discriminated communities or foreign residents.
Housing welfare, Disaster vulnerable people, Discrimination areas, Foreign residents, Empowerment

Yuta SUZUKI

Research Center for Urban Health and Sports
Biomechanics



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Evacuation, Physical fitness, Health, Resilience, vulnerable people in disaster

Yogo TAKADA

Graduate School of Engineering
Robotics



Study on small size robots that can enter various irregular areas and can be carried by users. In the project, I am considering portable robots that will help the victims evacuate to a place of refuge with their own efforts.
Moving robot, Portable size, Irregular area

Tetsuo TSUJIOKA

Graduate School of Engineering
Communication Engineering



His research interests include positioning and tracking technique of human with low cost and reliable performance in disaster environment. To be more useful in disasters, to be indispensable in ordinary situation is important.
Communication Systems, Web Database Systems, Sensing

Shigeyoshi NAKAJIMA

Graduate School of Engineering
Information Processing



Tracing a human using surveillance camera in disaster scene by human identification. Finding cracks in buildings by image processing for safety in disaster.
surveillance camera, human identification, human tracking, image processing and cracks in buildings

Yasuyo NOMURA

Graduate School of Human Life Science
Social welfare



A study on strengthen local ability of disaster prevention by the relationships relationship, local ability of disaster prevention, locals

Yuko HIRATANI

Graduate School of Nursing
Child Health Care Nursing, Family Health Care Nursing



Research on child health care nursing and family health care nursing
Child, Child with disease, Child with disabilities

Daisuke MIYAZAKI

Graduate School of Engineering
Information Optics



Information Acquisition, processing, and display technologies based on optical engineering are investigated. These researches can be applied to the inspection of construction using optical measurement technique, the effective visualization of complicated structure using three-dimensional display technique.
Optical measurement, profilometry, three-dimensional display, image processing

Michio MIYANO

Graduate School of Human Life Science
Safety Engineering of Housing, Regional Disaster Prevention



He conducts research on natural disasters such as earthquakes and wind and flood damage and daily accidents occurring inside and outside the house, aiming to formulate a safe and comfortable living environment. Specifically, he is conducting research on evacuation behaviors in case of disasters and mechanisms of human casualty.
Human casualty, Evacuation behavior, Living reconstruction, Accident in daily life

Yukari MURAKAWA

Graduate School of Nursing
Cancer / Acute Nursing Science



Disaster Nursing
disaster, survivor, education, self-care

Hiromasa YAMAMOTO

Graduate School of Medicine
Emergency and Disaster Medicine



Assessment of the manageability of the disaster medical care system using GIS. Development of IoT system to support Hospital Emergency Management Headquarter. Development of educational contents for hospital response to major incidents. Community education of disaster medicine
Disaster medicine, GIS, Hospital Emergency Management Headquarter, Community education

Hisayo YOKOYAMA

Research Center for Urban Health and Sports
Endocrinology and metabolism, Exercise therapy



Improvement of resilience on self-help and community-cooperation in disasters. Development of guidelines on health and physical fitness for vulnerable people in the evacuation from disasters.
Evacuation, Physical fitness, Health, Resilience, vulnerable people in disaster

Yoshie YOKOYAMA

Graduate School of Nursing
Public Health Nursing



Research on public health activities and health status after the disaster. Study on disaster prevention for mothers and children.
maternal and child health, public health, public health nurses

Research Fellow

Tadayoshi UEDA	A study on assistive technology and environment improvement for people with disabilities and elderly people
Masahiro OKAMOTO	Home-Visit Rehabilitation
Kazuya KOJIMA	Disaster Management for Community
Hisanori KOJIMA	Health Sciences
Tomoko SHIGAKI	Community dwellings, Earthquake-related Health Consequences
Masaaki SUGIYAMA	Neighbourhood environmental attributes conducive to active living
Naoshige HATA	Ph.D in Medicine

[Unit III]

Social Implementation Management

Leader **Yoshiyuki FUKUSHIMA**

Graduate School of Literature and Human Sciences
Communication and Interaction, Interaction analysis



From the point of view of interactionism, he studies the mechanism of human interactions, lessons / learning and inter-zones. In CERD, he seeks to demonstrate the effectiveness of theater for disaster management.
Disaster management theatre, Interactionism, Social resilience, Interactionist ability, Thought of "Weak Robot"

Kazuyuki KONAGAYA

Graduate School of Urban Management
Town Management, Regional Regeneration, Urban Economics



Economic and Management Analysis on Urban Planning, Town Management Problems
Town Management, Regional Regeneration, Disaster mitigation, Marketing, Behavioral Economics

Daisuke SAEKI

Graduate School of Literature and Human Sciences
Behavior Analysis



Evaluation of effects of disaster education, Development of educational program of disaster reduction for community residents.
Learning, operant conditioning, choice, disaster education, disaster training

Shigeki SAKAGAMI

Graduate School of Economics
History of industrial technology



History of power technology (Internal combustion engine, Steam engine, Steam turbine, Gas turbine)
Technical history of accidents
Internal combustion engine, Diesel engine, Automobile, Steam engine, Steam turbine

Haruo SOEDA

Graduate School of Literature and Human Sciences
Education



Disaster reduction learning in extracurricular activities imbedded in formal school curriculum.
disaster reduction learning, extracurricular activities, schools

Kazuhiko MORI

Graduate School of Human Life Science
Architectural Planning, Well-being Environment Design



Research on Community Planning with Disaster Education – Community Place and Social Capital Recovery.
Disaster Prevention Culture, Education for Disaster prevention, Community Activity, Social Capital

Hisayoshi MORI

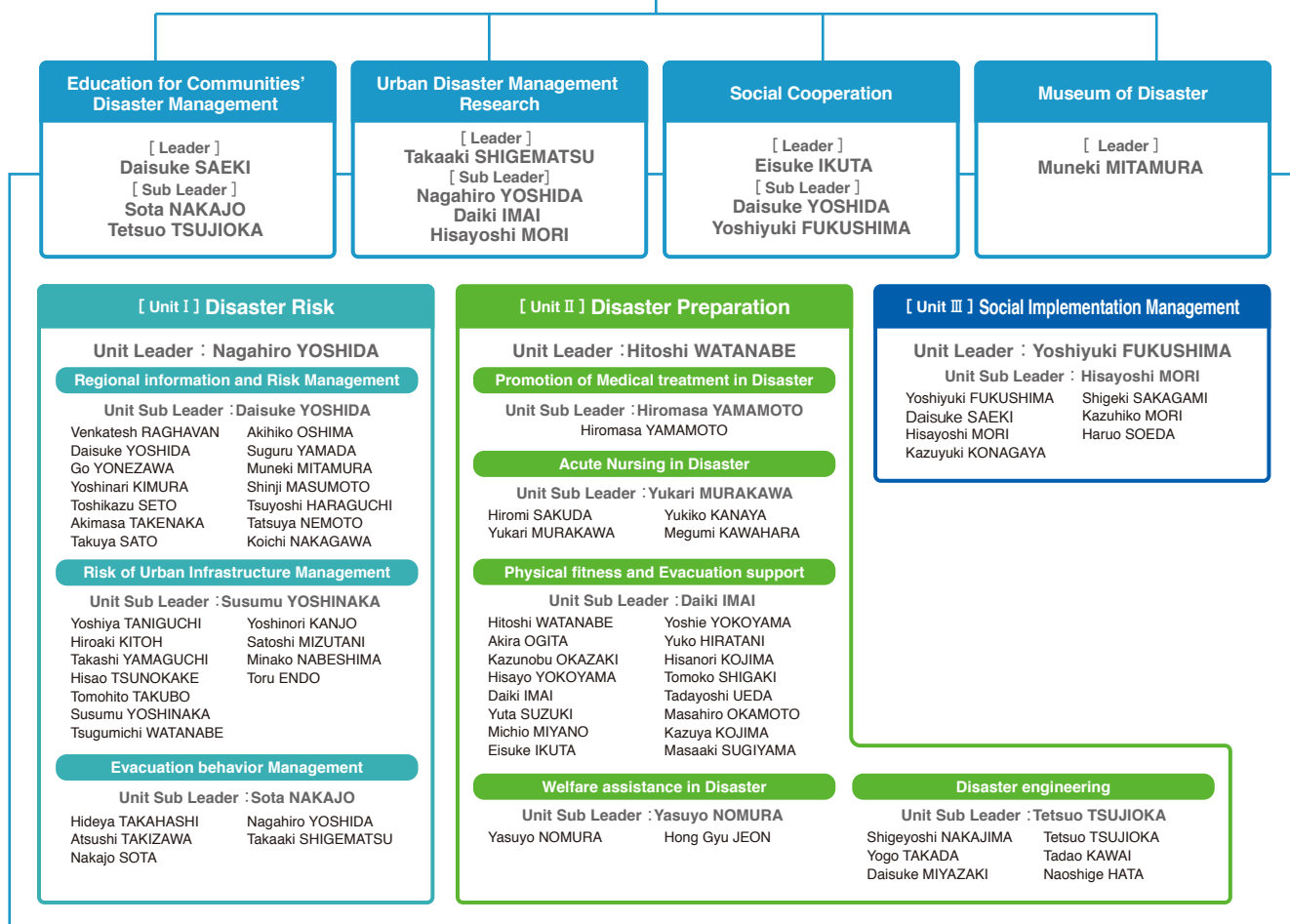
Graduate School of Literature and Human Sciences
Education



He specializes Curriculum and Instruction. His research theme is to study educational practices especially in schools from historical and contemporary viewpoints. He is also interested in school management intending a relation with communities.
Curriculum, Teacher Education

CERD Organization

Director: Muneki MITAMURA



[Unit I] Disaster Risk

- [**Research Theme**] Promotion of understanding of natural phenomena and Utilization for disaster management, Technical development on disaster management
- [**Key Words**] Risk, Spatiotemporal analysis, Innovation
- [**Research Project**] "Study on coastal water hazard", "Research on ensuring safety of buildings", "Study on earthquake motions and liquefaction of ground", "Study on spatiotemporal analysis for efficient evacuation", "Research on evacuation support technology"

[Unit II] Disaster Preparation

- [**Research Theme**] To improve disaster management capabilities through self-help and mutual aid
- [**Key Words**] Safety and Relief, Health and Physical fitness, Usual and Daily life
- [**Research Project**] "The medical care in a disaster and health issues at shelters", "The skills and the physical strengths required in an evacuation", "The shelters giving welfare consideration", "Use of information and telecommunications technologies in a disaster"

[Unit III] Social Implementation Management

- [**Research Theme**] The Social Implementation of Disaster Management Education, To improve the comprehensive disaster management capabilities of the local community
- [**Key Words**] Reality, Persistence, Collaboration
- [**Research Project**] "Coordination for improvement on the disaster management capabilities of the community through good relations with one's neighbors in normal times", "The activity of the Sumiyoshi Act Company, a community theater group in collaboration with local residents"

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