

MISSION

The Disaster Resilience Leadership Academy is dedicated to the systematic strengthening of global humanitarian leadership, a process that integrates education, research, and application, to achieve increased resilience in communities and individuals impacted by natural and manmade disasters.

DRLA Leadership

The integrative and interdisciplinary academic program in Disaster Resilience Leadership draws expert faculty from several schools and numerous academic departments of Tulane University.

Commitment to Excellence

Academy faculty and staff bring a wealth of knowledge, innovative research and field experience, providing students with a multidisciplinary view of the challenges and best practice approaches to robust leadership in the disaster resilience and humanitarian aid field. The program is administered through Tulane University School of Social Work.

Global Research in the Classroom

DRL curriculum integrates research initiatives aimed at strengthening disaster resilience leadership in vulnerable communities, funded in part by USAID, the World Bank, and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

Resilient New Orleans

Students have first-hand living-learning opportunities in post-Katrina New Orleans.



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Disaster Resilience Leadership Academy

Educating tomorrow's leaders in disaster resilience and global humanitarian assistance

Global Research Initiatives • Master of Science in Disaster Resilience Leadership • DRL Summer Institute • DRL Certificate Program



Training Global Leaders in Disaster Risk Management

We live in an insecure world where the number of people at risk from conflict and natural disasters has resulted in escalating populations of internally displaced persons and refugees globally. Although there are many graduate programs that focus on disaster and risk management, none of them targets specifically the role and development of leadership and resilience in producing effective programs or outcomes, making the DRLA academic program the first with such a dynamic and innovative focus.



ResilientAfrica Network

ResilientAfrica Network, a 5-year project funded by USAID, is creating an analytical framework to assist in identifying and cultivating data-driven solutions to strengthen resilience and improve development efforts in Africa. In partnership with Uganda's Makerere University, leading a consortium of 20 other African universities, Stanford University, and the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), ResilientAfrica Network taps into scientific and technological advances, coupled with Africa's educated youth, in order to provide leverage to strengthen resilience at an unprecedented scale on the continent.



Academic Pillars & Core Courses

- Human Factors
- Disaster Operations
- Leadership Analytics
- Environmental Hazards Sciences
- Research and Evaluation in Crisis and Disaster Settings
- Quantitative Analysis in Disaster Resilience

The Disaster Resilience Leadership Academy's global research initiatives and programs unite multidisciplinary experts in order to apply a scientific framework to disaster risk reduction and humanitarian assistance, providing professional leadership training needed to strengthen community resilience and improve operational response.

Master of Science Disaster Resilience Leadership (DRL)

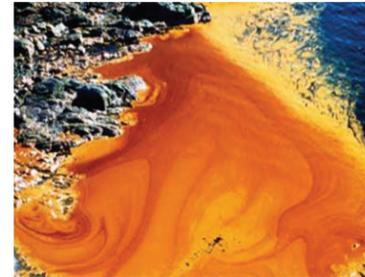
The DRLS Master's program is a 36 credit program that can be pursued in a traditional 2-year format, or taken in an accelerated 3-semester (12 month) time frame. Eighteen of the required credits must come from completion of core courses, including four courses representing each of the academic pillars and two research based methodology and analysis classes.

Haiti Humanitarian Assistance Evaluation Report



With funding from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, the State University of Haiti and the DRLA carried out an extensive review of humanitarian interventions after the devastating 2010 earthquake in Haiti.

Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill Impact Assessment



The DRLA developed a resilience framework providing a deeper understanding of inherent vulnerability and the impact of the oil spill on Louisiana and other Gulf Coast communities.



Leadership that increases the capacity of vulnerable communities to address the root causes of humanitarian crises

DRL Certificate Program (12 Credits)

DRL Summer Institute Abroad

Applicants are evaluated on a rolling admissions basis Visit www.drlatulane.org for application requirements and deadlines

SLDRP

The Strengthening Leadership in Disaster Resilience Program (SLDRP) is a 3-year project funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and the World Bank that seeks to build human capacity in disaster vulnerable communities by systematically strengthening existing capacity, supporting the development of future leaders, and working towards sustainability through a global network of academic, public and private stakeholders in Africa, Asia and the Caribbean.

The SLDRP includes the following activities:

- Short-courses and graduate certificates
- Master's programs to develop long-term leadership pipeline
- Global networking capacity to improve resource sharing and learning