

## **CALL FOR CHAPTER PROPOSALS**

**Proposal Submission Deadline:** August 11, 2025

*From Impact to Action: Innovative Efforts in Building a Culture of Resilience in the Canadian Context of Hazards and Disaster Research, Practice, and Policy*

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### **Introduction**

Under the context of global climate change, human and climate-induced disasters are happening with increased frequency and intensity. In Canada, disasters such as wildfires, floods, hurricanes, heatwaves, and mass shootings, are causing significant damage to the natural, built, and social environments, incurring massive costs, and impacting the safety and well-being of greater populations, with vulnerable and marginalized communities impacted the most. Multi-disciplinary research and approaches to strengthening climate change adaption and disaster risk reduction within the Canadian context, will be a crucial part of building a culture of resilience to assist the Canadian societies in combatting different crises.

This edited volume comes as a call to action, inspired by a two-day international symposium held in May 2025, in Halifax, Canada. *From Impact to Action: Responding to Climate Change and Disaster Symposium*, brought together Canadian and international scholars, emergency responders, and other front-line workers to share cutting-edge research, progress and best practices on climate change and climate-induced disasters. This renewed call will highlight the latest perspectives and strategies for building resilience among vulnerable communities at the individual, family, community, and societal levels. The volume will address a Canadian context, while drawing from international perspectives, challenges, promising practices, and best policies.

### **Objective of the Book**

- To disseminate the cutting edge Canadian progress in research, practices, and policies related to achieving climate change adaptation and disaster risk reduction.
- To build the individual, family, community, and societal resilience capacities to better preparedness for, respond to, and recover from current and future disasters in Canada.

- To draw from international perspectives, scenarios, promising practice, and best practices that support the Canadian societies to build a culture of resilience.

### **Target Audience**

We invite submissions from researchers, educators, and practitioners from diverse fields related to hazards and disaster research, including but not limited to sociology, public health, disaster and emergency management, planning, heritage conservation, public administration, and geography. Emergency responders, community front-line workers, climate activists, and others with first-hand experience in resilience-building practices in Canada and internationally are welcome as well.

The edited volume will focus equally on implications for research, policy, and practice, to extend beyond a scholarly audience.

### **Examples of Prospective Topics include, but are not limited to, the following:**

- How can the knowledge of Indigenous place-making knowledge improve recovery efforts during climate-related disasters, particularly in the context of their engagement in policymaking and disaster response?
- How can cross-border collaborations enhance wildfire preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation efforts, specifically to support building a culture of resilience?
- How can policies and international collaborations be improved to more effectively address the challenges faced by climate refugees, particularly regarding non-economic losses and long-term community integration?
- How do structural barriers and societal systems affect the resilience of marginalized and vulnerable communities? What community-led approaches can be adopted to enhance accessibility, inclusion, resilience, and support in disaster response and recovery efforts?
- How can heritage conservation and sustainable practices such as adaptive reuse respond to the climate crisis and promote climate justice?
- Emerging practices for protecting and building resilience for critical infrastructure in Canadian cities in the face of multi-hazard events.
- Responding to climate grief and eco-anxiety: environmental education and promoting resilience among students and youth in Canada and abroad.

### **Submission Procedure**

Submissions can be made through the following Qualtrics survey <http://bit.ly/4kJ7pjH>

Alternatively, submissions can be made by contacting the corresponding editor, Dr. Casey Gray, by email at [caseygray@dal.ca](mailto:caseygray@dal.ca)

If you are submitting via email, please include the title and abstract of your submission (max 250 words), as well as your full name, contact information and affiliations.

**Deadline: August 11, 2025**

**The submission outcomes will be available by: Aug 25, 2025**

If you require any assistance or accommodations, please reach out to

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