Looking for a research experience with UI faculty? Interested in natural disasters, environmental migration, and conflict? The Disasters, Migration, and Violence (DMV) Lab seeks students interested in learning more about the research process in a hands-on, collaborative social science research group experience.

The DMV Lab is a collaborative research group led by Professors Sara Mitchell and Elise Pizzi in Political Science. Members of DMV Lab collaborate to study when and why natural disasters lead to environmental migration and conflict around the world. Our research seeks to understand how government policy responses condition the relationship between disasters, environmental migration, and violence.

Students will assist with data collection and coding of news stories and policy reports. No prior research experience is necessary, just an interest in learning more about the research process and a willingness to participate in and contribute to the group’s progress. Relevant class experience, especially in Political Science/International Relations, should be described in your application.

We are recruiting students for an ongoing lab for fall 2024 and spring 2025. Students can enroll in the lab for 3 credit hours or apply to work in the lab for payment.

Time commitments:

* Attend weekly lab meetings. Meetings will take place Fridays 10:30-11:30 in Schaeffer Hall.
* Devote 5-7 hours per week to data collection tasks.

To apply, please send the following to Prof Pizzi at elise-pizzi@uiowa.edu and include the following:

1. CV or resume
2. A short paragraph explaining your interest in our research. Include information about your research skills and experience (e.g., languages, methods, and relevant coursework).
3. Please note your willingness to work for credit hours and/or payment.

Deadline: April 15, 2024.

Email Prof. Pizzi elise-pizzi@uiowa.edu or Prof. Sara Mitchell sara-mitchell@uiowa.edu if you have any questions.