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GPEM INTERVIEW IN NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

Associate Professor James Watson from the UQ School of Geography, Planning and Environmental Management (GPEM) [comments](#) on the effects of climate change on different wildlife.

Associate Professor Watson is the Climate Change program director at the Wildlife Conservation Society and a Principal Research Fellow at The University of Queensland.

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SEMINARS

The School of GPEM holds a regular seminar series on Tuesdays from 1.00-2.00pm in Room 320, [Steele Building](#) (#3), UQ St Lucia.

For details of the upcoming seminar, please visit the [Seminar Series](#) page.



GPEM graduate to present at IUCN World Conservation Congress

GPEM alumna, Jessica Holz, will be [showcasing](#) some of Brisbane's green innovations to the world this September. As the recipient of a Highly Commended award in the 2015 Consult Australia & FutureNet writing competition, she will travel to Hawaii to attend and present at the International Union for the Conservation of Nature World Conservation Congress.

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Conservation silver bullet: UQ author involved in global study of conservation intervention

A [new global assessment](#) has found major benefits to biodiversity when invasive mammals are removed from islands. Dr Karl Campbell was part of a 30-member team of scientists conducting the first global study quantifying benefits of this conservation intervention.

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Managing precious water resources a focus for new GPEM researcher

A researcher who is [developing new approaches to water resource management](#) in Australia and China has joined GPEM. Associate Professor Yongping Wei is an Australian Research Council Future Fellow (2015-2018), and joins the School from the University of Melbourne's Faculty of Engineering.

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Fire chaser wins national prize

Research into fighting fires with science has helped GPEM PhD student Nicholas McCarthy net \$5000 in a [national competition](#).

Mr McCarthy is a PhD student in the Climate Research Group aiming to fight fires with science to protect lives and property.

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Four GPEM researchers land Early Career Researcher Grants

Dr Dorina Pojani, Dr Thomas Sigler, Dr Jiangping Zhou and Dr Sonia Roitman from GPEM were awarded [four of the nine grants](#) made to the Faculty in the UQ Early Career Researcher Grants Scheme. Income inequality, routine human movement, the role of cities and sustainable transport planning were among topics studied by researchers in the latest round.

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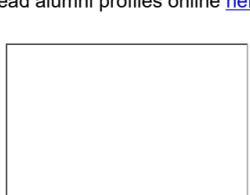
Where are they now?

Read alumni profiles online [here](#).



Master of Environmental Management graduate [Maria Renata Cao de la Fuente](#) is currently working in her dream job as a Regional Coordinator for The Lacandon Jungle in the south-east Mexican state of Chiapas.

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Planning for the people and contributing to the creation of spaces is what [Nicholas Nalder](#) enjoys most about his role as a Transport Planner. His enthusiasm was sparked while studying in the Bachelor of Regional and Town Planning with Honours program at UQ.

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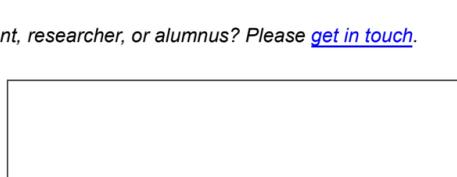


[Romain Mari](#) is using his Master of Environmental Management degree, and his enthusiasm for sustainable community development, to build a little piece of paradise on the coast of Kenya.

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