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The graduate program in Management of Complex Systems addresses cross-disciplinary challenges of understanding, modeling, designing, and managing complex systems, focusing on adaptive management of complex coupled human and natural systems and complex coupled human and technology systems, including for-profit and not-for-profit organizations and public and private enterprises.

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RESEARCH METHODS FOR MANAGEMENT
Apply contemporary data analytics, complex systems, management and organizational science methods needed to conduct rigorous research in your area of specialization.

COMMUNICATION FOR MANAGERS
Communicate effectively to experts and non-experts, in professional (scientific and management) and community settings, preparing and delivering oral and written presentations using appropriate technologies.

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Initiate and conduct independent research that makes an original contribution to knowledge, and which may be published in a peer-reviewed outlet.

RESEARCH ETHICS AND SOCIETAL CONTEXT
Demonstrate familiarity with all aspects of research ethics and their societal context.
MANAGEMENT OF INNOVATION, SUSTAINABILITY, AND TECHNOLOGY

Multidisciplinary faculty aligned around a common interest in better understanding how arrangements of people, organizations, information, technology and the natural world give rise to complex adaptive phenomena that pose grand decision-making challenges to society

John Abatzoglou PhD, Earth Systems Science, University of California, Irvine
climatology, meteorology, rain, fire, snow, variability, natural resources, food security, megadrought

Roger Bales PhD, Environmental Engineering Science, California Institute of Technology
hydrology, glaciology, paleoclimate, atmospheric chemistry, environmental engineering

Anita Bhappu PhD, Management, University of Arizona
organizational behavior, diversity, teams, conflict and negotiation, service delivery, digital retailing and the sharing economy

Spencer Castro PhD, Psychology, Cognition and Neural Science, University of Utah
human attention capacity, cognitive workload, neuro-technology, multitasking, cognitive engineering

Jeffrey Jenkins PhD, Environmental Studies, University of California, Santa Cruz
political ecology, public lands and protected areas, community planning and adaptive management

Catherine Keske PhD, Agriculture and Resource Economics, Colorado State University
environmental studies, applied economics at food-water-energy nexus, land and resource management in fragile ecosystems

Crystal Kolden PhD, Geography, Clark University
pyrogeography, wildfire, terrestrial and ecosystem management, socioecological systems, ecology, remote sensing

Sarah Kurtz PhD, Chemical Physics, Harvard University
renewable energy, multijunction GaInP/GaAs photovoltaic devices and materials, sustainable energy transition

Tea Lempialä PhD, Organizations and Management, Aalto University
innovation studies, organization theory, technological innovation processes and collaboration

Paul Maglio PhD, Cognitive Science, University of California, San Diego
service science, human-computer interaction, distributed cognition

Russell McBride PhD, Philosophy and Cognitive Science, University of California, Berkeley
entrepreneurship, strategy, cognitive science, and the structure of social reality

Tracey Osborne PhD, Energy and Resources, University of California, Berkeley
climate and social justice, political ecology, climate change mitigation in forests, commodification of nature

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socio-economic systems modeling, science communication, innovation, team, complexity, network science

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watershed management, environmental decision making, environmental and hydro informatics, geospatial analysis

Leroy Westerling PhD, Economics and International Affairs, University of California, San Diego
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Lisa Yeo PhD, Operations and Information Systems, University of Alberta
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