

Dr. George Housner speaks on earthquake risks

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Dr. George W. Housner, an authority in the design of earthquake-resistant structures, will be the featured speaker at a UCSD seminar Monday (June 1) titled "Earthquake Hazards in an Urban Society."

Sponsored by UCSD's Department of Aerospace and Mechanical Engineering Sciences, the seminar will be presented at 4:00 p.m. in Room 2722, Undergraduate Sciences Building, on the Revelle College campus. The public is invited. Housner, a professor of engineering and applied science at California Institute of Technology, will discuss the latest methods devised for coping with earth tremors and the research still required to minimize their destructive effects on urban populations.

At Caltech, Housner works closely with Dr. Charles Richter, world renowned seismologist and inventor of the Richter scale used throughout the world to gauge the severity of earthquakes.