



# BIARI

## Brown International Advanced Research Institutes



BROWN UNIVERSITY

Sovereign



### ■ June 4 – 18, 2011

#### Development and Inequality in the Global South: Research and Theory in Comparative Perspective

This Institute will promote knowledge about innovative theory, research and methodologies for studying inequality in developing countries. Particular emphasis will be placed on exploring the specific dimensions and impacts of inequality on development across regions of the global south, and developing a comparative understanding of these dynamics.

### ■ June 4 – 18, 2011

#### Critical Global Humanities: Life Forms, Languages and Sounds of the New

In today's world, power is organized to turn societies into shadows, people into ciphers and humans into strangers. Yet, in the midst of this seemingly inexorable drive, new practices and languages appear that promise to reframe and reconfigure possible alternative human futures. This year's Critical Global Humanities Institute will explore the meaning of the "human," focusing on issues of visibility/orality/digitality; the political epistemic; and the radicalization of the imagination. We will draw on the fields of performance studies, science and technology studies, cultural, art and film studies, literary, historical, philosophical and political studies.

### ■ June 11 – 25, 2011

#### Climate Change and Its Impacts: Water in a Changing Climate

In this Institute we will focus on changes in the supply of and demand for water in the 21st century, due both to changes in regional climate and to human population growth and development patterns. Major themes will include predicted changes in regional hydrologic cycles; resilience of existing social, economic, civil, ecological and agricultural systems to likely changes; the potential of global and local institutions to increase the resilience of these systems; and what can be learned from one region to inform effective design of policies and water management structures in other regions. Throughout the Institute, participants will focus on developing interdisciplinary research through communication and joint development of projects.

### ■ June 11 – 25, 2011

#### Global Health: Multidisciplinary Perspectives on HIV/AIDS

The Institute will focus on current knowledge regarding global HIV/AIDS epidemiology, pathogenesis, prevention and treatment as well as innovative research in these areas. Emphasis will be given to a team approach to the global burden of HIV/AIDS, health inequities, sex/gender related issues, socio-behavioral dimensions, the economics of HIV access to care and the individual and population-level impact of antiretroviral therapy. The Institute will also explore the changing nature of the epidemic in both resource-rich and poor countries.

## BIARI 2011 June 4–25

For program information  
visit [www.brown.edu/biari](http://www.brown.edu/biari)

Financial support is available  
for international participants.

For questions, contact:  
[biari@brown.edu](mailto:biari@brown.edu)  
Brown University, Box 1970  
Providence, RI, 02912, USA  
T +1 401.863.3969  
F +1 401.863.9733

Young faculty from institutions  
that are members of the Santander  
Universities network are especially  
encouraged to apply.



## THE PROGRAM

Brown University's International Advanced Research Institutes bring together young faculty and practitioners from around the world to address pressing global issues through innovative and collaborative research and pedagogy.

# Brown International Advanced Research Institutes

During BIARI 2010, with the generous support of Santander Universities, over 150 visiting faculty and participants from 55 countries came to Brown University's campus in Providence, Rhode Island. Many are now pursuing shared research projects conceived during their stay.

In June 2011, BIARI will again convene a geographically and intellectually diverse group of future intellectual leaders from the global south, together with prominent thinkers and practitioners, to participate in four two-week intensive residential Institutes.

## OBJECTIVES

### INNOVATIVE RESEARCH

Within the framework of participatory, rigorous, and interdisciplinary curricula, participants will have the opportunity to share their own work and develop new collaborations with peers and leading figures in their fields of interest.

### NEW VECTORS OF GLOBAL EXCHANGE

BIARI is committed to facilitating exchange between scholars from all parts of the world, and challenging conventional hierarchies of knowledge. Key program goals are to foster South-South exchange and to provide support for rising scholars' voices in the global academic conversation.

### SUSTAINABLE NETWORK-BUILDING

BIARI is a highly selective, residential program. Institute participants will have ample opportunity to interact with colleagues and explore Brown

University's world-class campus and facilities. Alumni continue to build on and expand these relationships in long-term collaboration through research, teaching and outreach.



## BEYOND BIARI: ALUMNI SUPPORT

BIARI participants from 2009 and 2010 already constitute an alumni network of over 300 scholars and practitioners in over 70 countries. BIARI is dedicated to supporting and strengthening its alumni network's capacities and opportunities for collaborative knowledge production.

The Virtual Academic Network (V.A.N.) is a custom-built online organizing tool, designed to facilitate academic exchange before, during, and beyond BIARI's residential component. The BIARI program also offers grant opportunities designed to support alumni professional development and cooperative research.

*"I'm leaving BIARI with a wider horizon, better contact with young scholars to call on, and with a greater enthusiasm to reengage the debates in my own field."*

—Jacob Akech, Development and Inequality

