

# BIARI

**Brown International Advanced Research Institutes**



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## THE PROGRAM

Brown University's International Advanced Research Institutes (BIARI) bring together young faculty and professionals from around the world to address pressing global issues through high-level intellectual collaborations across traditional academic boundaries. Applications are invited from early-career scholars and practitioners working in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean, the Middle East, and Eastern Europe to participate in intensive, residential two-week institutes at Brown University June 8-22, 2013.

The four institutes are convened by Brown University professors, and feature lectures, seminars and workshops led by distinguished international guest faculty. This highly selective, residential program gives participants ample opportunity to interact with colleagues while exploring Brown University's world-class campus and facilities.

## OBJECTIVES

### CUTTING-EDGE RESEARCH

Housed at Brown University's Watson Institute for International Studies, BIARI offers rigorous, innovative, interdisciplinary programs that identify, analyze, and address issues of worldwide concern.

### GLOBAL EXCHANGE

BIARI provides a unique opportunity for rising scholars from diverse backgrounds to meet, connect, and identify areas of potential collaboration.

### SUSTAINABLE NETWORK BUILDING

Each year's BIARI participants join a dynamic alumni community which already has over 500 members from 85 countries. Alumni teams can apply for seed funding for longer-term research, teaching, and collaborations that are outgrowths of BIARI initiatives.

## APPLICATIONS FOR BIARI 2013

We especially welcome applicants who are early in their professional careers. Practitioners normally have four to ten years' experience in their professional field. Participants from an academic background are usually within seven years of having finished their PhD or professional terminal degree. The working language is English.

Please visit <http://www.brown.edu/biari> to apply.

Thanks to generous support from Santander Universities, BIARI covers the costs of air travel and US airport transfers to Providence, as well as tuition, meals, and university housing for the duration of the program.

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

## QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT

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## THE INSTITUTES

### POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT: NEW APPROACHES TO ENDURING GLOBAL PROBLEMS

With the world's population officially surpassing seven billion, this institute will address the crucial and interlinked issues of population and development, particularly as they affect people in the Global South. What are the most significant population issues in the 21st century? How do population dynamics and the policies designed to address them contribute to or detract from equitable development? How can theories and methods in the social sciences contribute to understanding the relationship between population and development, and how can this scholarship contribute to better policies and programs? Participants will engage with cutting-edge theory, innovative and tested research methods, and first-rate scholarship upon which to build their own research programs.



### THEATER AND CIVIL SOCIETY

Convened by faculty from Brown's Department of Theatre Arts and Performance Studies, this institute will explore the role of theater, new media, and public performance in contemporary political and social movements, with a focus on the potential of diverse art forms to advance principles of non-violence, economic and political justice, and civic debate. What is new in today's social and political movements? What do they owe to theories, traditions, and practices of expressive freedom and participatory politics? We invite scholars from the humanities and critically engaged artists and performers working in different genres to contribute to an interdisciplinary exploration of the ways in which creative production can expand the civic imagination and conjure new understandings of public space.

### 35 YEARS OF ADVANCES IN HIV/AIDS: WHAT HAS CHANGED FOR WOMEN?

This institute will focus on current knowledge regarding HIV and women over the life course in a global context: epidemiology, pathogenesis, transmission and prevention, women-centered HIV treatment, and gender inequalities. Our emphasis will be on social aspects, including gender-based vulnerabilities and empowerment, and on most at-risk populations, such as adolescents. The institute will present state-of-the-art approaches to women's HIV prevention: discussions will emphasize a holistic approach that includes men/



partners, families, and communities as key influences on HIV-infected and at-risk women. The institute will take a multidisciplinary team approach to understanding these complex issues in both resource-rich and resource-poor settings.

### CONNECTIONS AND FLOWS: WATER, ENERGY, AND DIGITAL INFORMATION IN THE GLOBAL SOUTH

Water, energy, and digital information are key resources for all societies in the 21st century, demanding a range of products, services, and infrastructure to provide secure, equitable distribution and delivery. Operating in studio format and taking an interdisciplinary approach, this institute has two main goals: first, to explore emerging concepts in engineering, design, and development through a focus on platforms, prototypes, and projects; and second, to delve into the implications of their design and development in society. Applications are welcome from young engineers and engineering faculty, as well as from engineering education policymakers and those working in agriculture, environmental studies, urban studies, or related fields.

*"I felt like I had planted a seed. Best experience ever. Now my contacts and collaborations will continue to receive water and I will see lifelong results out of this opportunity."*

*"BIARI was the most exciting academic work I ever did! The opportunity to meet fellow researchers from all over the world, the collaborative work developed among our groups, the attention and care from the faculty and organizers...everything was above expectations!"*

