



# TRANSNATIONAL MIGRATION AND GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT

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Motivations for, and modes of migration are diverse and often overlapping: from voluntary labor migration to family migration to forced migration due to climate change, lack of food security, war, or ethnic and religious conflict.

Common to all forms of migration, though, is that the economic, social and cultural relations in both sending and destination countries are altered as a result. How does this happen, and what is the impact for both the individuals involved and society at large? A transnational lens on migration means that we are sensitive to how transnational flows of money, culture and social relations influence migrants' adaptation and imagination as well as states' and regions' political regulation of migration across the South-North divide.

The conference focuses on four interdisciplinary themes that may be reached from a range of different disciplines and geographical departures.

1. Political Mobilization and Collective Action
2. Segregated Zones of Living: Refugee Camps, Asylum Centers, Ghettos
3. Rhetoric of Exclusion
4. Precarious Lives: The Law of States Versus the Law of Peoples

In addition to these four themes, which will organize presentations and discussions of papers throughout the conference, there will be open plenary lectures and public meetings/roundtables.

**Application deadline: February 15, 2012**

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## CONFIRMED KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

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## MISSION AND DEFINITION: GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGES

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- 2008: Global Poverty
- 2009: Climate, Environment, and Energy
- 2010: Global Health in Bio-medical, Social and Cultural Perspectives
- 2011: Norms, values, language, culture

These four broad areas of research are intrinsically interrelated, but they have also been identified as dominant themes in separate BSRS editions.



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