2010 Summer Institute for Advanced Study of Disaster and Risk

Disaster, Risk, and Climate Change

August 2-13, 2010, Beijing Normal University

2nd ANNOUCEMENT
Introduction
The 2010 Summer Institute for Advanced Study of Disaster and Risk (SI2010) at Beijing Normal University is the second of a series of three summer institutes co-sponsored by the Ministry of Education, the State Administration of Foreign Experts Affairs. Initiated in collaboration with the International Human Dimensions Programme on Global Environmental Change (IHDP) – Integrated Risk Governance (IRG Project), this summer institute series is an integral part and a core capacity building activity of the Hazard and Risk Science Base at Beijing Normal University (the HRSB@BNU). The primary goal is to attract and train young scholars who have both background and strong interest in the field of hazard and risk study, and through which, to improve and strengthen education, research, as well as international communication and cooperation capacity in China in the field of disaster and risk sciences. In the long-term, the summer institutes seek contribution to laying a solid foundation of a state-of-the-art hazard and risk science base in China.

The summer institute series is organized by the State Key Laboratory of Earth Surface Processes and Resource Ecology at Beijing Normal University, the Academy of Disaster Reduction and Emergency Management of the Ministry of Civil Affairs and the Ministry of Education, and the Key Laboratory of Environmental Change and Natural Disaster of the Ministry of Education of China. Following the successful and well-attended Summer Institute 2009, the SI2010 continues with the theoretical and conceptual essentials of risk analysis and disaster management while focusing on climate change risk as the yearly theme. Distinguished experts and researchers in the field of hazard and risk are invited to lecture and work with the participants during the two-week course of the summer institute.

Qualifications of Applicants
The Summer Institute is designed primarily for junior faculty and young researchers, post-docs and advanced doctoral students, who have shown strong interests and possessed certain experience in the hazard and risk area. Excellent oral and written communication skills in English are required. The application is open to public and the admissions are based on individual’s qualification. While the primary targets are applicants from China, the application is also open for international applicants. The total number of participants expected is around 30, with about 20 from China and 10 internationally.

Summer Institute Approach
By bringing together a group of highly motivated earlier career your professionals and a small group of internationally renowned faculty, the summer institute aims to make a distinctive contribution to strengthen the research and education capacity in China in the risk and hazard science field.
The summer institute seeks to establish a framework of intensive collaborative learning and mutual exchange through a combined activities of plenary lecture, focused working groups, as well as informal roundtable discussions with invited guest speakers, disaster risk management decision makers and practitioners. Furthermore, cultural activities are arranged to further facilitate and enable participants to build connections and networks for future collaborative research.

For reference, the 2009 Summer Institute Program is available at the Hazard and Risk Science Base at Beijing Normal University site (HRSB@BNU). See table below for a preliminary lecture structure for the Summer Institute 2010\(^1\).

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\(^1\) The final lecture structure with more defined titles as well as schedules will be updated in the final program.
Summer Institute Language

English

Summer Institute Faculty

Carlo Jaeger  Professor (Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research, Germany)
Roger Kasperson  Professor (Clark University, United States)
Andreas Rechkemmer  Dr. and former Executive Director of IHDP
Kathleen Tierney  Professor (University of Colorado, United States)
Peijun Shi  Professor (Beijing Normal University, China)
Wenjie Dong  Professor (Beijing Normal University, China)
Guoyi Han  Research Scientist (Stockholm Environment Institute, Sweden)
Qian Ye  Research Scientist (Beijing Normal University, China)

Location

Beijing Normal University

Scholarship and Financial Support

Financial supports as scholarship are provided to all accepted participants. For participants from China, domestic travel cost and accommodation are covered by the summer institute. For international participants, the summer institute offers free accommodation and partial support for international travel with a fixed amount of “travel scholarship award” up to $800, depending on the region-from and anticipated travel cost.

Registration Fee

No registration fee for all accepted participants.

Application

To apply, please complete the attached application form, which is also available for download at the website of Hazard and Risk Science Base at Beijing Normal University (http://riskresearch.org.cn/111/SUMMERINSTITUTE.asp), and submit your application to Ms. Du Juan at bnu.111.irg@gmail.com.

For international applicants, the deadline for application is 15 May 2010; and decision will be informed by the end of May.

For applicants from China, the deadline for application is 15 June 2010; and decision will be informed by the end of June.

Contacts

For all questions concerning the 2010 Summer Institute for Advanced Study of Disaster and Risk at Beijing Normal University, please contact:

2 One or two more core faculty may be added to the list at a later stage.
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**Key dates**

Application deadline:  
- May 15, 2010 (for international applicants);  
- June 15, 2010 (for applicants from China)

Decision of acceptance:  
- May 31, 2010 (for international applicants);  
- June 30, 2010 (for applicants from China)

Summer Institute: 2 - 13 August, 2010

**Attachment**

Application Form for the 2010 Summer Institute for Advanced Study of Disaster and Risk at Beijing Normal University.

**Relevant Information**

- The Programme of Introducing Talents of Discipline to Universities (111 Project)  
- Hazard and Risk Science Base at Beijing Normal University:  
- International Human Dimensions Programme on Global Environmental Change - Integrated Risk Governance:  
  [http://www.irg-project.org/](http://www.irg-project.org/)
## 2010 Summer Institute for Advanced Study of Disaster and Risk Application Form

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Resume (start from college)

Research Experience (Project name, source and responsibility)
Publications in recent 5 years (books, papers, patents, awards, etc.)

Please note your English skill and explain your expectation from attending this institute.