



Bergen Summer  
Research School

BERGEN SUMMER RESEARCH SCHOOL  
ON GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGES  
JUNE 20 – JULY 1 2011  
**NORMS, VALUES, LANGUAGE AND CULTURE**

# MISSION AND DEFINITION: GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGES

The Bergen Summer Research School is an initiative of the Bergen academic milieu's commitment to produce and disseminate research-based education related to some key global challenges posed by an increasingly knowledge-based, complex, multicultural, religiously diverse, and unequal global society.

Professor Kjersti Fløttum, Head of Bergen Summer Research School, welcomes PhD Students from the entire world: "By the Bergen Summer Research School, we want to contribute to fostering globally committed young researchers in a multicultural international setting".

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## RESEARCH-BASED EDUCATION FOR GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGES

One of the important challenges for universities and academic institutions today is their continuation as the backbone of society, providing the knowledge and educating young people for addressing complex global challenges. Global development challenges affect us all, rich as well as poorer countries.

### BSRS 4 YEAR INITIATIVE – THEMES

The first edition of the Bergen Summer Research School on "Global Development Challenges" (2008) was dedicated to Global Poverty; the second edition (2009) to Climate, Environment and Energy, and the third edition (2010) to Global Health in Bio-medical, Social and Cultural Perspectives. The 2011 edition will focus on Norms, Values, Language and Culture.

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



THEME 2011: JUNE 20 – JULY 1

## **NORMS, VALUES, LANGUAGE AND CULTURE**

The 4th edition of the *Bergen Summer Research School - Global Development Challenges* (BSRS) will be held between June 20 and July 1, 2011. It focuses on questions related to the status and development of norms, values, language and culture and how these phenomena may serve as both resources and limitations in dealing with the complex challenges that the world faces today. In this perspective, norms and values can contribute to inclusion as well as exclusion of both social actors and fields of engagement in different contexts. Language and the wider concept of culture can contribute to continuity and change, conflict and resolution. How are we to understand and make best use of the available resources, and how are we to understand and overcome the limitations that are inherent in norms, values, language and culture?

# PHD-RESEARCH COURSES 2011

## CLIMATE CHANGE NARRATIVES: LANGUAGE USE IN THE CIRCULATION OF CLIMATE KNOWLEDGE

Norwegian School of Economics and Business Administration (NHH); University of Bergen, Department of foreign languages, Department of psychosocial science, Geophysical institute, Department of information science and media studies, Department of linguistic, literary and aesthetic studies; Bjerknes centre for climate research; Uni Digital / **Course leaders:** Trine Dahl, Kjersti Fløttum, Gisela Bøhm, Trond Martin Dokken, Helge Drange, Elisabeth Eide, Jill M. Walker Rettberg, Andrew Salway, Michal Krzyzanowski

## EMERGING NORMATIVE REGIMES

University of Bergen, Centre for the Study of the Sciences and the Humanities (SVT) / **Course leaders:** Thorvald Sirnes, Rasmus Tore Slaattelid, Roger Strand, Anne Norton, Sudipta Kaviraj, Shijun Tong

## FUNDAMENTALS OF LAW IN GLOBALISATION

University of Bergen, Faculty of law; Chr. Michelsen Institute (CMI) / **Course leaders:** Joanna Beata Banach-Gutierrez, Kine Knutsen Angeltveit, Andrew Patricio Cavalcanti, Bjarte Askeland, Linda Gröning, Eirik Holmøyvik, Jørn Jacobsen, Ernst Nordtveit, Magne Strandberg, Jørn Øyrehagen Sunde, Birthe Taraldset, John-Andrew McNeish, Tina Søreide, Eric David

## GENDER AND GLOBALISATION: THEORETICAL AND METHODOLOGICAL CHALLENGES

University of Bergen, Centre for Women's and Gender Research (SKOK); University of Bergen, Faculty of Psychology, Research Centre for Health Promotion (HEMIL) (Master Programme on Gender and Development (GAD)) / **Course leaders:** Ellen Mortensen, Gaudencia Mutema, Marit Tjomslund, Kari Jegerstedt, Cecilie Ødegaard, Synnøve Bendixsen, Marianne Eskeland, Anne Hellum, David L. Eng, Teemu Ruskola

## NORMS AND LANGUAGE

University of Bergen, Department of foreign languages / **Course leaders:** Ingunn Lunde, Ana B. Chiquito, Miguel A. Quesada-Pacheco, Aleksandrs Berdicevskis, Martin Paulsen, Gasan Gusejnov

# OPEN PLENARY LECTURES, PUBLIC MEETINGS/ROUNDTABLES

(PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME)

## OFFICIAL OPENING

Tuesday June 21, 09.00 – 10.00 /  
Faculty of Law, Dragefjellet



**BSRS** - a multicultural meeting place

## GLOBAL CHALLENGES AND HIGHER EDUCATION: CREATIVITY, LEADERSHIP, SELF-REFLECTION AND TOLERANCE

Tuesday June 21, 10.00 – 11.00 /  
Faculty of Law, Dragefjellet / Professor  
Asuncion Lera St.Clair, University of  
Bergen

## PUBLIC MEETING: COMMODIFICATION OF CULTURE

Friday June 24, 11.30 – 14.00 / Grand  
Selskapslokaler, Ole Bulls plass / Host:  
Bergen Chamber of Commerce and  
Industry

## HOW NORMS AND VALUES INFLUENCE HUMAN JUDGMENT

Tuesday June 28, 11.30 – 13.00 /  
Faculty of Law, Dragefjellet / Professor  
Rolf Reber, University of Bergen

## REASONABLENESS VERSUS RATIONALITY: A HISTORICAL AND COMPARATIVE DISCUSSION

Thursday June 30, 14.00 – 15.30 /  
Faculty of Law, Dragefjellet / Professor  
Shijun Tong, Shanghai Academy of  
Social Science

# SOCIAL AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES (BY INVITATION)

GUIDED TOUR TO HÅKONSHALLEN (13TH CENTURY ROYAL CEREMONIAL HALL) AND RECEPTION HOSTED BY THE CITY OF BERGEN

Tuesday June 21, 18.00 – 20.00

VISIT TO TROLDHAUGEN, THE HOME OF THE COMPOSER EDVARD GRIEG, AND CONCERT BY THE GRIEG ACADEMY, UNIVERSITY OF BERGEN

Friday July 1, 18.00 – 22.00

Bus transport. A meal will be served after the concert.





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