GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY AND PROGRAMS

Improving Social Well-Being & Health around the World

Critical problems such as poverty, conflict, malnutrition, and disability occur in societies across the globe. To address these issues, social work and public health practitioners must work across disciplines and geographic borders to create policies and programs based on high-quality research.

The Brown School offers the leading program in international social development among schools of social work and we recently launched a global health specialization in our Master of Public Health program. Strong collaboration between our social work and public health programs enables us to develop and implement innovative interventions that improve the lives of people around the world.

HOW THE BROWN SCHOOL IS Making a Difference

The Brown School’s global research and teaching initiatives, which span a wide range of issues and locations, are united by a common goal: to promote just, equitable, and healthy societies. Our work to improve the social well-being and health of the most vulnerable populations involves:

→ Conducting groundbreaking research

→ Educating scholar-practitioners to be the next generation of leaders

→ Building enduring partnerships – working closely with organizations like the McDonnell International Scholars Academy and Institute for Public Health

→ Employing emerging technologies

→ Influencing policy makers

“Our training prepares students to work with diverse communities around the world.”

CAROLYN LESOROGOL
Associate Professor
Associate Dean for Global Strategy and Programs

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HOW THE BROWN SCHOOL IS Implementing Change

The Brown School’s international initiatives include efforts to:

- Reduce poverty – Our faculty are researching the causes and consequences of poverty in countries including Kenya, India, Nepal, Haiti, and Afghanistan. The Center for Social Development has pioneered an anti-poverty approach focused on asset building that has been implemented in Africa, Asia, and Latin America.

- Eliminate undernutrition – Projects focus on identifying factors leading to undernutrition in Haiti and Kenya and testing innovative approaches to addressing the problem.

- Improve the environment – Research in developing countries is increasing awareness of the health hazards and environmental impact associated with the use of cookstoves, has led to partnerships with organizations in India, and a study investigating more efficient technology.

- Enhance maternal and child health – Faculty are studying how cultural practices and access to health services affect child health outcomes in Nepal. In Ecuador, research is examining the prospects for incorporating indigenous beliefs into the government health system to improve quality of care.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Investing in the Brown School

You can support global social development and public health efforts at the Brown School by providing:

- Endowed professorships to recruit and retain faculty leaders
- Resources to create a master’s degree program in global social development and health
- Scholarships and fellowships to attract outstanding students
- Stipends to ensure students can participate in international field experiences
- A Global Innovations Fund to develop promising interventions emerging from our research
- Resources to launch a university-wide Global Research in Health and Development consortium
- Support for joint programs, exchanges, and research with partner universities throughout the world

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