The Millennium Development Goals have spurred the international community to focus efforts on meeting the needs of the world’s poorest through an expanded vision of sustainable development. Participants will be introduced to political, economic, social and cultural issues facing developing countries within a contemporary context. The country focus of this year’s program is South Africa. South Africa is critical to US foreign policy interests and is one of the richest and economically most important countries of Africa. Despite its gains, South Africa still faces huge challenges of stark poverty and inequality resulting from its apartheid legacy.

Teaching and learning about international development and the developing world, particularly Africa, is a challenge in today’s classrooms. Yet, the topic lends itself well to thinking about local-global connections and our responsibilities as world citizens. How might we transfer lessons learned in the global context to our local communities?

Instructors are leading scholars and experts from Yale University and other institutions.

Participants develop lesson plans or other related projects during fall and winter that may be integrated into a publishable resource for loan to other educators from the PIER Resource Center and on-line.
International Development: Focus on South Africa, offers an interdisciplinary approach to the fundamental and applied political, economic, social and cultural issues facing developing countries. A particular emphasis is placed on the geographic, historic, economic, social and cultural issues that face post-apartheid South Africa. This introductory program also provides an extensive packet of materials and enables participants to identify unbiased, unique resources for teaching and learning.

Offered through PIER International Affairs, this one-week Institute with optional field study to South Africa responds to the National Geographic Society’s 2006 - 2007 thematic focus on Africa. In addition, the program aims to:

- Provide insights to address achievement gaps and enhance the academic proficiency of today’s diverse student body;
- Enhance teacher quality and performance by expanding content and pedagogical knowledge through instruction by Yale faculty and other experts; and
- Offer opportunities to expand networks with educators across the US.

**Tuition & fees:** $300 tuition, including books and materials. Housing, meals and parking are extra. Fees may be required to cover portion of field trip and/or special events. Limited scholarship in the form of partial tuition waivers available.

**Housing:** Local hotels ($99-$119/night) single or double occupancy, plus tax or in Yale campus housing ($60/night) per person, including tax.

**Meals:** Approximate cost ($215-$240).

**CEUs:** The Institute is designed in accordance with nationwide Continuing Education Units standards (provider #716). Yale will award up to 6 CEUs upon successful completion of the full program. Prices are subject to change.