



UGPN Interdisciplinary Doctoral Seminar on
Water Management and Security



**Water Management and Security July 21-28,
2013**

**A seven-day invitational experience for doctoral students
with seminars, workshops and group activities in
São Paulo, SP; São Carlos, SP; and São Sebastião, SP**

Hosted by International Office, Universidade de São Paulo

Background: To enhance our civilizations' ability to conquer the most important topics of our times, the University Global Partnership Network (UGPN), which encloses the University of Surrey (UK), the North Carolina State University (US), and the Universidade de São Paulo, is sponsoring an annual interdisciplinary seminar for doctoral students. Universidade de São Paulo will host the second Doctoral Seminar on water management and security from 21 to 28 July, 2013. Activities will include seminars by leading experts in water resources management and quality, water security, aquatic ecosystems, water reuse/recycling, economic development, policies; group discussions with leaders in government and civil-society organizations regarding the aforementioned topics. Doctoral students will have the opportunity to share the outcomes of their research with participants. Field visits to water reuse facilities, watersheds and coastal regions; cultural, historic and recreational activities are also part of the event.

Student participation and selection: The Organizing Committee selected five sub-themes relating to water resources, which are: (1) water reuse/recycling; (2) watershed planning, law and economics; (3) aquatic ecosystems; (4) water resources engineering; and (5) water treatment technologies. Each university will select 5 doctoral students to participate, one for each theme. Selection process should prioritize students with outstanding academic performance and good communication skills.

Costs: Main seminar expenses will be covered by the UGPN, including lodging (double rooms), meals, local transportation, admissions, and program-related costs. Students are responsible for providing their transport to and from São Paulo (arrival in São Paulo, SP on July 21 and departure from São Paulo, SP on July 28) and for miscellaneous personal expenses.

How to Apply: Doctoral students from Universidade de São Paulo must send an application to ugpn@usp.br by 9:00 am June 21, 2013. This application should include a letter of application outlining reasons for wishing to attend, a letter of recommendation by the student's supervisor and the link to the CV Lattes. Selected students will be interviewed to have their English skills evaluated.

Interested students must send an application to UGPN by 9:00 am June 21, 2013.