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To promote the pursuit of social science and the study of topics that are global in nature at the University, CISSR sponsors a Research Fellows program, annual book workshops, and other research activities.

• The CISSR Research Fellows Program is designed to bring social scientists who study different parts of the world using different methods and theoretical approaches together in a common space. Rooted in the belief that the best research is produced through critical and constructive conversations in an inclusive community of global scholars, CISSR activities allow fellows to share their findings, while also exposing them to new perspectives and localities. Through sustained interactions with their peers, and with CISSR financial and administrative support, fellows can refine their research and amplify its impact. Fellowships are available for both faculty and advanced graduate students.
• CISSR book workshops provide University of Chicago faculty with an opportunity to receive input from visiting and local scholars in a day-long book workshop. Workshops help authors refine their research and arguments before manuscripts go to academic presses. A call for proposals to fund faculty book workshops will be issued annually.

CISSR succeeds the Center for International Studies (CIS). Established fifty years ago, CIS helped catalyze the integration of international perspectives into the University’s graduate and undergraduate programs. The successes of those efforts are visible today in many curricular and pedagogic programs, from the strength of our library collections and diversity of our language offerings to the richness of undergraduate opportunities such as the Program on the Global Environment, the International Studies major, and the breadth of Civilizations Studies options, to name a few.
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