About the Kellogg Institute for International Studies

The Helen Kellogg Institute for International Studies at the University of Notre Dame focuses its research and teaching on two topics critical to contemporary societies around the world—democracy and human development.

Renowned for its expertise in democratization, particularly in Latin America, the Institute has renewed its long-term focus on economic growth and human development through innovative research and community engagement in Africa.

Kellogg fellows from the University and around the world address a multidisciplinary research agenda that also encompasses religion and society, public policies for social justice, and civil society.

The Institute’s approach to scholarship and teaching is grounded in an appreciation for the benefits that democratization, economic development, and organized civil society may bring to citizens around the world.

Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, CSC, the legendary president of Notre Dame, founded the Kellogg Institute almost 30 years ago to bring scholarly attention to real-world problems and project the University onto the world stage.