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### School for Global Inclusion and Social Development: Expanding the UMass Boston community on a regional, national, and international level

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## The New School

The School for Global Inclusion and Social Development (SGISD) is the newest graduate school at UMass Boston. We are the first graduate program in the world to focus on wellness, disability, and economic development from an international perspective. The first students in our master's program will start classes in January 2014, with our PhD program to launch in September 2014.

SGISD's emphasis is on groups of people who are excluded from communities here in the US and abroad, due to disability or other conditions. Instruction will be delivered on campus, online, and through international exchange programs.

## Students can specialize in:

### Transition Leadership

Support young people with intellectual disabilities as they transition from high school to adult life.

### Rehabilitation Counseling

Provide support to job seekers with barriers to work, including a range of disabilities.

### Vision Studies

Work with students with visual impairments and blindness to ensure their success in school and in their communities.

Our students will also learn about cultural competency, nonprofit management, population needs and global practices, and research and evaluation methods.

SGISD builds off of the training and research expertise of the Institute for Community Inclusion (ICI), which is now housed within the new school. Since the 1960s, the ICI has been at the forefront of disability training, research, and advocacy.

## Examples of the ICI's and SGISD's global efforts between October 2011 and October 2012

