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WHY THE BRAIN MATTERS

An International Colloquium

The Johannesburg Institute for Advanced Study (JIAS), invites interested parties to apply for participation in this major colloquium which will take place between mid-September and early December 2016.

Under the theme **WHY THE BRAIN MATTERS**, 25 global authorities on the brain will present seminars followed by discussion, reflection, public outreach and writing, at JIAS.

The Colloquium will be divided into four Sessions which will run in succession. These are: **Brain Studies: History and Emerging Issues** (Sep 12th – 30th); **The Cognitive Brain** (Oct 3rd – 21st); **The Creative Brain** (Oct 24th – Nov 11th); and **The Social Brain** (Nov 14th – Dec 2nd).

The first week of each of these Sessions will be devoted to seminars; the second week to reflection and public outreach; and the third week to writing – both popular and academic.

In each of these Sessions, places have been reserved for the participation of mid-career professionals, graduate students and postdoctoral fellows.

To apply, please submit a full CV and the names and contact details of two referees, as well as a 500-word letter of motivation.

Participation in the seminars will be free; this includes full board and lodging at JIAS.

Applications for each of these Sessions should be sent to: jiasapplications@uj.ac.za by the 15th of July 2016.

Final selection will be made by the organising committee.

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