UPCOMING ACTIVITIES....

Eye on Africa: Dr. Tarila Marclint Ebiede
Thursday, April 1, 2021
Register for Eye on Africa

African Tea Time: Sudan & Rwanda
Thursday, April 8, 2021
Register for African Tea Time

The Impact of COVID-19 Vaccine Inequities in the Global South
AAP Public Dialogue Series
Wednesday, March 31, 2021
Register Here for AAP Public Dialogue Series

14th Annual Conference
MSU Muslim Studies Program
April 8-9, 2021
More Info on MSU Muslim Studies Program Annual Conference
Call for Participants - Ubuntu Virtual Student Dialogues

MSU African Studies Center & Stellenbosch University
Deadline: Monday, April 12, 2021
More Info on Ubuntu Virtual Student Dialogues

Eye on Africa on April 1

Youth Transition in Nigeria: Learning from the Past and Anticipating the Future
Dr. Tarila Marclint Ebiede

Nwando Achebe named among top 100 most inspiring Nigerian women

Dr. Nwando Achebe, the Jack and Margaret Sweet Endowed Professor of History and Associate Dean of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in the Michigan State
This talk will explore ‘youth transition’ in Nigeria, its meaning, impact and implications for the socio-political transformation of the country. The dominant narrative of youth in Nigeria portrays young people as victims of a dysfunctional society and perverse politics dominated by older, patronage-driven elites. Even when the agency of youth is centered in analyzing the Nigerian society, emphasis is placed on ‘pop culture’, social media and experiences of marginalization. These experiences, however, are not youth specific. It is shared by Nigerians from all demographic who do not belong to the powerful elite class. Yet, the experiences of young people and their response to these dysfunctions shed light on the trajectory of socio-political transformations in the country. In other words, how youth respond to crisis and the outcomes of such response provides a more comprehensive perspective that can help us understand the past and future of the Nigerian society.

The list was compiled by Leading Ladies Africa, an organization dedicated to celebrating African women and fighting for women’s rights across the continent.

“As we continue to advocate and push for gender parity and equality, it’s also important that we do that through the lens of diversity and inclusion - especially as it pertains to women of African descent,” said Francesca Uriri, founder of Leading Ladies Africa. "Whether they are activists, scientists, poets, doctors, coaches, teachers, members of the LGBTQIA community, actors, politicians, et cetera - every single one of them is welcome at the table, and their contributions matter. Deeply.”

Dr. Achebe was included on the list for her contributions to the study of women, gender and sexuality in Nigeria.

The Impact of COVID-19 Vaccine Inequities in the Global South: AAP Public Dialogue Series

For the past year, as the COVID-19 pandemic
Michigan State University is hosting an international conference on Global Islamophobia and the News Media, Entertainment Media, and Social Media. This conference will present work related to Muslim portrayals in the media (e.g., news, entertainment, social media) and evaluate how Islamophobia manifests on these platforms.

The media is an important conduit for conveying messages to the public, shaping public attitudes, influencing the national discourse, and generating stereotypes. Past research suggests the ways in which outgroups are represented in the media impacts the public’s perceptions, attitudes, and behaviors toward them, as well as shaping support for policies that harm members of these outgroups. Scholarship is only now beginning to extend this line of research to Muslims, and to specifically explore how the media is shaping discrimination against Muslims globally.

Join us for a discussion with this international panel as they bring together diverse voices from the frontlines of addressing health disparities and inequities in vaccine access and distribution in a global context.

Register for the AAP Public Dialogue Series

GRANTS AND JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The Longview Foundation Grant Opportunity

Deadline: Thursday, June 17th, 2021
The Longview Foundations funds teacher preparation programs/activities that enhance the ability of K-12 teachers to teach students about international issues, with the goal of weaving global competence into school and teacher experiences, and engaging and inspiring a meaningful connection to the world. Grants range from $15-$25K. The application process for the Fall 2021 grant round begins with a letter of interest focused on the areas described below. The LOI is due by June 17th. Proposals, if invited, are due by August 23rd. Board decisions will be made on December 3rd.

More Information on The Longview Foundation