

February 26, 2019

Spring #8

This is the Year of Global Africa!

The Year of Global Africa explores MSU's rich history and connection with our many partners across Africa and throughout the African Diaspora through diverse scholarship, engagement, and activities. The weekly Newsletter provides a list of upcoming events, speaker presentations, tea times, conferences, jobs and other exciting opportunities related to the Year of Global Africa



To learn more about the Year of Global Africa, <http://globalafrica.isp.msu.edu>
For more on the African Studies Center, <http://africa.msu.edu>

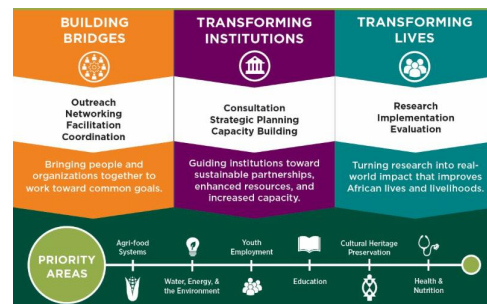
Alliance for African Partnership

To learn more about the Alliance for African Partnership, aap.isp.msu.edu

Eye On Africa Speaker Series

To learn more about Eye on Africa, <http://africa.isp.msu.edu/programs/eye-africa/>

Eye on Africa Seminars are livestreamed at <http://eyeonafrica.matrix.msu.edu/watch-live/>




AFRICAN STUDIES CENTER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Year of Global Africa Mini-Grants for Students Round 2!
Application Deadline: March 7, 2019

Have an event, activity or program in mind to celebrate the Year of Global Africa?
Apply for a Mini-Grant!

Awards: range from \$500-\$2000
For Events: to be held Summer or Fall 2019
Applications due: Thursday, March 7, 2019

Details and application form here:
<https://globalafrica.isp.msu.edu/resources/yga-funding/>



STUDENTS!
ANOTHER FUNDING OPPORTUNITY
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Notification: Early April.

Examples of Events/Activities/Programs:

- Bring a Guest Speaker
- Mount an Exhibit
- Host a Panel Discussion
- Plan a Social Event
- Use your imagination!

Criteria for Evaluation: While we don't expect Applications to meet all these criteria, these are the considerations as we read submissions.

- Africa-related programming
- Extends knowledge and heightens awareness of Africa
- Underscores relationship between MSU and Africa
- Can be a single event or part of a series
- We encourage collaboration with other off-campus and student organizations
- Partnerships on and off campus are valued.
- Events must be free and open to the public.

FOR APPLICATION FORM, GO TO:
globalafrica.isp.msu.edu

Eye on Africa

(Seminars are live-streamed at <http://eyeonafrika.matrix.msu.edu/watch-live/>)

Thursday, February 28, 2019
12:00-1:30pm-Room 303 International Center

"Boko Haram's Internal Disputes and International Connections" ."
Eye on Africa with Alexander Thurston, Political Science, Miami University of Ohio

(The 'Eye on Africa' presentation scheduled for March 14 has been rescheduled for the Fall)

Thursday, March 21, 2019
12:00-1:30pm-Room 201 International Center

"The Muslim Cleric of Madina Cherno (Gambia)"
Eye on Africa with Assan Sarr, History, Ohio University

Recent Seminars can be watched at
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCZRR96_6EJqFfSP1Zq0mdng/

African Tea Time- Open To Everyone
An opportunity to learn about and share first hand knowledge of the African continent
Learn, Share, Engage!

Thursdays-4:00-6:00pm
427 N. Shaw Lane, Room 303 International Center

February 28: Benin, Lesotho and Democratic Republic of Congo

March 14 : Egypt and South Africa**

(** to be held in rm 201)



You can see the complete 2018- 2019 Tea Time calendar [here](#).

MSU ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Sponsored by the African Studies Center, the Center for Gender in a Global Context, the History Department, and African American and African Studies.



TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2019

7:00-9:00 p.m., RCAH Theatre
Winnie (2017)
Panel discussion to immediately follow

THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2019

7:00-9:00 p.m., ComArtSci 147
Des étoiles /Under the Starry Sky (2013)
Commentary to follow by Emilie Diouf (English, Brandeis University)

THURSDAY, MARCH 21 2019

7:00-9:00 p.m. . ComArtSci 147
Vibrancy of Silence (2017)
Commentary to follow by director, Freida Ekotto (University of Michigan)

TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2019

7:00-9:00 p.m., RCAH Theatre
Iron Ladies of Liberia (2009)
Panel discussion to immediately follow

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Ethiopia Forum: Challenges and Prospects for Constitutional Democracy in Ethiopia Symposia and Panel Discussions International Center: March 23-24, 2019

Faculty from Michigan State University, Western Michigan University, Central Michigan University and other scholars from around the MSU community have launched an Ethiopia Forum with symposia and panel discussions to take place at the International Center, Room 115, Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan, over the weekend of March 22, 2019 (during the Adwa Victory Month and the year

designated as Year of Global Africa). The Forum will explore the challenges and opportunities to transition to constitutional democracy in Ethiopia, and a way forward for a united and peaceful Ethiopia and its neighbors.

There is no registration fee to participate, however, ALL participants are requested to fill in the online registration form to help the organizers as they plan for refreshments.
For complete details and to register, visit: <https://globalafrica.isp.msu.edu/resources/events/featured-event-1/>.



ETHIOPIA FORUM:

CHALLENGES AND PROSPECTS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL DEMOCRACY IN ETHIOPIA

The African Graduate Student Association Conference 2019

Call for Papers

Friday March 29, 10AM - 5PM at Michigan State University

Deadline: February 28, 2019

The African Graduate Student Association (AGSA) invites you to their 4th Annual Conference. The conference intends to create a forum where African and Africanist scholars discuss the transformation of Africa. Building upon past AGSA conferences, this year's conference seeks to interrogate how localized activities in different spaces (on the continent and in the diaspora) are transforming Africa in the global context, while also interrogating what the continent's future challenges and prospects are.

We invite graduate and undergraduate students (MSU and Non-MSU) to submit abstracts for an oral or poster presentation. The abstract should be 250 words long and should be submitted by February 28, 2019, 11.59 pm EST.

If you will be presenting as a panel, submit an abstract and proposed theme for the panel. The submission should also list all panelists and their individual titles. Panels should include no more than five papers.

Submit your abstract at the link below
<https://goo.gl/forms/2Pb3uJT89iMt73o23>

Registering for the Conference

The conference is free and open to everyone.

If you are attending the conference (even if you're not presenting), please take a moment to register below:

<https://goo.gl/forms/2Pb3uJT89iMt73o23>

Fellowships

There is a limited number of fellowships for participants from outside Lansing area. Contact agsa@msu.edu for more information.

For additional information, please e-mail us at agsa@msu.edu

Study Abroad

History, Culture, and Schooling in Southern Africa

May 18- June 23, 2019

Application Deadline: March 1, 2019

History, Culture, and Schooling in Southern Africa will travel to South Africa and Lesotho in the Summer I term (May 18-June 23) of 2019. Students will spend time visiting historical and culture sites in South Africa and Lesotho, as well as visiting a varied group of education

institutions. These will be located in urban and rural areas, and will include educational institutions that are not part of the formal education system. These experiences will help the students learn about the history of educational efforts in the region, and how struggles for educational equity and fairness are intimately connected to the history and cultures of the region. The program is run through the College of Education, and there are seven (7) credits of classes embedded in the program.

Four of the credits are Integrated Arts and Humanities credits (IAH 211). The other credits are offered in the Teacher Education program, though students that come from other majors and programs can contact the trip leaders (John Aerni-Flessner: AerniFL1@msu.edu and Molade Osibodu: Mosibodu@msu.edu) for other potential options. Applications are due by March 1st, but slots are limited so apply ASAP. More information on the trip available here: <https://osa.isp.msu.edu/Programs/program/index/108145>

Art, Cultural Heritage, & Museums in South Africa

Mid-June to Early August

Application Deadline: March 1, 2019

Apply for this innovative program that combines field-based coursework in arts, cultural studies, and museum studies with a five-week internship in a South African museum in Cape Town.

- **DATES:** Mid-June to early August, including one pre-travel week of instruction via Google Hangout, 3 weeks of experiential learning in Cape Town and Johannesburg, and the 5-week internship.
- **ELIGIBILITY:** Undergraduate and graduate students interested in museums, arts, and cultural heritage work
- **COST:** Tuition and program fee of approx. \$5380 (covers housing, in-country course-related travel and activities, etc.) - exact fee is listed on MSU Study Abroad site.
- **Estimated additional cost (RT airfare to South Africa, incidentals, passport, meals):** \$3,585.00

For more information, including reading blogs by students in past programs, go to <https://msusouthafricastudyabroad.wordpress.com>

Funding

Transforming Institutions Strategic Funding Invitation for Proposals 2019

(Open only to AAP Consortium members)

(AAP Consortium members include MSU, Egerton University, Makerere University, University of Dar es Salaam, Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources, University of Botswana, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, University Cheikh Anta Diop, University of Arts and Humanities, Bamako)

The Alliance for African Partnership (AAP) seeks proposals from AAP consortium members and their partners for activities which directly address AAP's Transforming Institutions pillar (transforming institutions to be better able to participate in sustainable, equitable, and research-driven partnerships that make a broader impact on transforming lives). Successful applicants will receive seed funding to develop international strategic partnerships with universities, institutions of higher education and research, and organizations in the public or NGO sectors. Travel can include any of the following-- within Africa, to Africa from external locations, to the US or to other locations outside of Africa. The partnerships should focus specifically on institutional strengthening and capacity development.

Eligibility

- Proposals should include co-PIs from each of the partner institutions included in the

proposal and must include at least two AAP consortium members (AAP Consortium members include MSU, Egerton University, Makerere University, University of Dar es Salaam, Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources, University of Botswana, University of Nigeria, Nsukka, University Cheikh Anta Diop, University of Arts and Humanities, Bamako).

- Those previously supported through an AAP transforming institutions strategic travel grant are not eligible to apply.
- Faculty members may only be listed (as PI or as team member) on one proposal submitted to AAP in this round of funding.
- Proposed activities should take place before December 31, 2019

For detailed information visit: <https://aap.isp.msu.edu/research-funding/transforming-institutions-call-proposals/>



Alliance for African Partnership
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

International Funding Opportunities

Deadline: March 1, 2019

In an effort to continue to internationalize the student experience, ISP takes pride in helping to support students who are interested in working on the world's greatest problems. Here are some internationally focused funding opportunities, administered by the ISP Dean's office, for undergraduate and graduate students.

The Walker Hill International Award

<https://www.isp.msu.edu/information-resources/student-funding/walker-hill/>

An award for doctoral students that can be used for pre-dissertation visits to a doctoral research site in a country outside the United States. International students who undertake research in the country of their origin are not eligible.

Claffey Meyer International Travel Grant

<http://www.isp.msu.edu/information-resources/student-funding/>

This award provides financial assistance to domestic students who intend to travel to developing countries for the purpose of providing technical assistance, participate in research, or engage in service. The intent is for students to work towards discovering and implementing solutions in response to urgent human needs (for example: food security, environmental quality, health and nutrition, education, and other areas) and, thereby, to encourage careers in international development teaching, research and practice. Grants are intended to support travel, related living expenses, and projects costs, not to be used as a tuition scholarship

Dr. Charles and Marjorie Gliozzo Dissertation Research Scholarship

<http://www.isp.msu.edu/information-resources/student-funding/gliozzo-scholarship/>

This scholarship is available to MSU doctoral students with dissertation research objectives who have defended, or are in the process of defending, a dissertation proposal. The scholarship supports field research abroad in support of the student's dissertation.

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