



AFRICA @ MSU THIS WEEK

March 10, 2020

Spring #10

AFRICA WEEK CELEBRATION MARCH 23-27

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY AFRICAN STUDIES CENTER

Michigan State University's African Studies Center hosts the annual Africa Week Celebration! There are multiple events to celebrate rich African culture throughout the week. To view the full flyer with detailed events, download [the schedule PDF](#), or visit africa.msu.edu

March 23 International Center Rm 201 5:30-7:30PM

- African Female Students Empowerment Program (AFSEP) will be hosting a panel discussion

March 24 Kellogg Center 3-5PM

- Talk by Cosmas Milton Obote Ochieng

March 24 International Center Rm 201 6-7PM

- Eberechi Ogbuaku: Maximizing your Degree for the 21st Century

March 25 International Center Rm 303 6-7:30PM

- The Baobab Collective: What does Africa Mean to You?

March 26 International Center Rm 303 6PM

- African Student Leadership Association (ASLA)

March 26 International Center Rm 201 12-1:30pm

- Eye on Africa, Kara Moskowitz on "Seeing Like a Citizen: Decolonization, Development, and the Making of Kenya, 1945-1980"

March 27 International Center Rm 303 9AM

- African Graduate Students Association (AGSA)

March 27 McDonel Hall Kitchen space, Lower Level 6pm

- Taste of Africa hosted by Kongamano Student Group

Eye on Africa

Kathleen Bickford Berzock

Caravans of Gold: An Inside Look

Thursday March 12th 12:00-1:30p

International Center Room 201

Lunch will be provided

[View the Spring 2020 Eye on Africa Schedule \(PDF\)](#)



African Tea Time is an opportunity to learn and

share about first-hand experiences on the African continent. The tea times are open to everyone!

This Thursday: Ethiopia & Zambia
March 12
4:00-6:00p
International Center, Room 303

AFRICAN TEA TIME

[View the full schedule \(PDF\)](#)

Book Drive for Lakeland Correctional Facility

The African Studies Center has begun a new outreach program at Lakeland Correctional Facility in Coldwater, Michigan. As part of our programming there, the African Studies Center is collecting books to be donated to their library.



If you have duplicates or unused copies of books on African History, African-American History, African Diaspora History and African languages, please bring them to the African Studies Center or contact us for pickup at chotid@msu.edu.

Navigating the Challenges of Your Next Step



*Akosua
Boadi-
Agyemang*

March 27th, 2020
4:30 - 6:00 PM
Erickson Kiva, Room 103

Commonly known on the LinkedIn platform as “The Bold Journey girl” and for sharing her stories on going from rejection to working fulltime for Microsoft, Akosua Boadi-Agyemang boldly radiates her light as a Program Manager for Microsoft’s Business and Sales Operations. Akosua was born and raised in Francistown, Botswana to two Ghanaian parents. She moved to Oxford, Ohio to seek higher education at Miami University. Upon arriving in the US in 2015, Akosua started an

initiative called “Re-Envision Africa” to highlight the whole story of Africa and not just the usually told single narrative of poverty, war and famine. Akosua hopes that through Re-Envision Africa, more people will come to understand that there is education, wealth, innovation and beauty etc. that comes from the Continent.

March 27th, 2020
4:30-6:00pm
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The Lilly Fellows Program Applications

The program is intended to advance the University’s continuing efforts to support excellence in teaching and learning. The program supports a cohort of six faculty or academic specialists at all ranks with at least five years of service to the institution. The Program also provides an opportunity for Fellows to expand relationships and collaborative engagement with peers and colleagues within their own colleges and across the University. The program is supported by matching grants from AAN and the Fellows’ departments and/or colleges.

The project should have a work plan that can be reasonably addressed within an academic year, although the implementation and impact of the project is expected to continue beyond the year. We encourage creative and innovative ideas. Using the proposed project as a foundation, participants will also learn leadership concepts and models, build specific skills, learn more about how the University works, and practice what they learn through the activities of their project and small group mentoring and coaching.

Former Lilly Fellows are eligible for this new version of the program.

Submit an application through https://msu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_2sL2Le3vdBaGfWJ by April 1st, 2020

If you have questions, or want to share ideas, contact Jeff Grabill at grabill@msu.edu

New Multicultural Center Feasibility Study

As you may be aware, in December 2019, President Stanley announced that MSU would immediately engage in a feasibility study for a campus multicultural center. This work began in earnest shortly after his announcement. The Office for Inclusion and Intercultural Initiatives has recently launched a new website for the Multicultural Center Feasibility Study that provides a brief history of student activism and advocacy for such a facility, information on the project background, names of the members of the steering committee and planning committee, and an opportunity for members of the campus community and beyond to provide comments, questions, or feedback.

To view the website, visit <https://mccenter.msu.edu/>

Call for Proposals: Faculty-Directed Education Abroad Program Innovation Fund

Proposals should be emailed to the [Assistant to the Executive Director of Education Abroad](#) and clearly indicate that the application is for the Faculty-Directed Education Abroad Program Innovation Fund initiative.

Submit:

- A narrative description of the proposed or revised program, with a focus on aspects that make the program unique and support students' personal, professional and intercultural learning and development (maximum 500 words)
- A budget for the intended activity (site visit, conference attendance, technology, etc.)
- A brief description of how each item requested in the budget will facilitate program development
- Letters of support from the sponsoring department's chair and the college's lead representative on the [MSU Advisory Council on Education Abroad](#)

Education Abroad will provide funding up to a maximum of \$5,000 per approved proposal. **Applications will be accepted until August 1, 2020.** A maximum of five (5) program development grants will be awarded annually.

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