AFRICA @ MSU THIS WEEK

SAVE THE DATE!
Annual Africa Week Celebration
Featuring Africa-Related Activities & Programs
March 23rd–27th, 2020
More information coming soon

Eye on Africa
Jamie Monson
TAZARA Stories: Memories of Work on a China-Africa Railway Project (Film Screening)
Thursday February 13th 12:00-1:30p
International Center Room 303
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: Botswana & Tanzania
February 13th
4:00-6:00p
International Center, Room 303
View the full schedule (PDF)
Cosmas Milton Obote Ochieng

MARCH 24, 2020 | 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. | Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center

Cosmas Milton Obote Ochieng is the director of the African Natural Resources Centre (ANRC) at the African Development Bank in Abidjan, Ivory Coast. He is an expert in global development policy with particular interests in natural resources governance; agriculture and rural development; climate change and green growth; and science, technology, and society.

Register: [https://events.engage.msu.edu/Registrations/Register/3263](https://events.engage.msu.edu/Registrations/Register/3263)

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**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 for Black History Month, 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.

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**Apply for a FLAS Fellowship**

FLAS Fellowships award academic year undergraduate students with $10,000 toward tuition and fees and a stipend of $5,000; academic year graduate students with $18,000 toward tuition and fees and $15,000 in stipends. Summer FLAS recipients receive $5,000 in tuition and a $2,500 stipend

- To apply for a FLAS fellowship, students must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents.
- Undergraduate students must be studying the target language at the intermediate or advance level.
- The academic-year fellowship requires that students take one language and one area studies course for a letter grade each term during the award period.
- Summer fellowships are for intensive language study only

Intensive African Language Summer 2020 and Academic Year African Language 2020-2021 (Languages: Swahili, Yoruba, Hausa, Zulu, Wolof, Arabic, Igbo etc.)

Application Deadline: February 14, 2020

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**Call for MSU Faculty Mentors**

The Alliance for African Partnership is seeking applications from MSU faculty to become a mentor for our 2020/2021 African Futures
AAP is looking for researchers from a variety of fields to serve as mentors as part of our African Futures Research Leadership Program. We are halfway through our inaugural cohort, and so far, our scholars have surpassed our expectations. We are excited to begin the application process for next year's cohort - starting with MSU Faculty mentors!

Eligibility:
- MSU Faculty at the Associate or Full Professor Level who have had experience working in Africa
- Those who have never worked in Africa but would like to explore these partnerships are encouraged to apply
- Only one submission per faculty member for this cohort
- Proposed research/activities should begin August 31, 2020
- Proposals must be submitted in at least one of AAP’s priority areas

Mentor applications are due by Feb. 14, 2020.

Language Diversity Speaker

Dr. Esther Milu, Assistant Professor of Writing and Rhetoric at the University of Central Florida, will be talking on “Transnational and Immigrant African Students’ Language Identities: Complicating the Image of Black Students in U.S. Composition.”

Talk: 6:30 pm
Opening Reception: 6:00 pm
Location: Snyder C20, RCAH Theater

In this talk, Milu will bring attention to transnational and immigrant African students’ language repertoires and identities. Using stories of three transnational African students from Angola and Rwanda and the stories of two second generation immigrant students, she will demonstrate the diversity and complexity embedded in the category “African students,” challenging the category “black students” and arguing for the need to pay attention to transnational and immigrant African students’ particular and peculiar literacy needs and their complex colonial histories with racialization and marginalization.

Call For Papers

AFRICA’S PLACE IN A GLOBALIZING WORLD: REIMAGINING GOVERNANCE, SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ART AND CULTURE

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Godwin Murunga, Executive Secretary, Council for the Development of Social Science Research in Africa (CODESRIA)

The Northwestern University African Seminar Graduate Conference planning committee is looking for papers that address the questions below. Questions can be addressed in any number of ways; and should engage the themes: Techniques of governance on the continent at the national, regional or community level; Global migration, mobilities, movement; Infrastructure projects & nationalism & (foreign) interventionism; Science and research on and off the continent; and Art and articulations of cultural identity.

Questions include but are not limited to
- What space does Africa occupy in a globalizing world?
- Is there an African perspective on how to do science, innovation, economics, or governance?
- Do African experiences contribute to the elaboration of global assemblages of power, infrastructure, knowledge production, or cultural innovation?
- Does Africa remain a social laboratory in which great powers expand their economies or experiment with new techniques of governance and population control?
- Can Africa be its own center of innovation?
- And can Africans speak to something that is more than African-provincial?

Abstracts should be no more than 300 words.

To submit, visit https://forms.gle/wvZ9ZCzHYNS9tSZo9
Submission deadline: February 15, 2020
Email questions to Afrisem@u.Northwestern.edu or afrisemconference@gmail.com

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**Call For Papers**

**The African Space and Mind: Progress and Challenges in the 21st Century**

Across social, cultural, economic, political, medical and epistemological lines, among others, there are various individual and/or interconnected issues, events and experiences that have been emerging out of, or characterizing modern Africa, especially in the 21st century.

While some of these issues point at the progress being made in Africa and by Africans, either on the continent or in diaspora, others are related to the challenges they are facing. This symposium at Indiana State University seeks to critically examine these issues by bringing together graduate students and researchers whose interests focus on contemporary Africa.

Please submit an abstract to: iu.gsas.symposium@gmail.com by March 6, 2020.