April 23, 2019  

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This is the final bulletin for Spring 2019

This is the Year of Global Africa!

Save the Date
YEAR OF GLOBAL AFRICA GRAND FINALE
November 12, 2019
MSU Union Ballroom

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](http://globalafrica.isp.msu.edu)
For more on the African Studies Center, [http://africa.msu.edu](http://africa.msu.edu)

Alliance for African Partnership

To learn more about the Alliance for African Partnership, [aap.isp.msu.edu](http://aap.isp.msu.edu)

Eye On Africa Speaker Series

To learn more about Eye on Africa, [http://africa.isp.msu.edu/programs/eye-africa/](http://africa.isp.msu.edu/programs/eye-africa/)

Eye on Africa Seminars are livestreamed at [http://eyeonafrica.matrix.msu.edu/watch-live/](http://eyeonafrica.matrix.msu.edu/watch-live/)
Food Fraud in Africa
Eye on Africa with John Spink, MSU Food Fraud Initiative

Recent Seminars can be watched at
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCZRR96_6EJqFSpIzq0mdng/

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**MSU ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Earth Week Film Screening**
& Panel Discussion Fundraiser To support Cyclone Idai relief efforts
Tuesday, April 23, 2019, 6-9pm
Studio C, Meridian Mall, Okemos
Free admission

A film documenting climate change through the eyes of Kisilu, a Kenyan farmer. Learn more at thankyoufortherain.com

Questions? Please contact whites25@msu.edu

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**Africa R&D Connect**
Launching of Africa R&D Connect Network Digital Platform
Plant and Soil Building, Rm 271
Wednesday, April 24, 2019
Launching of Africa R&D Connect Network Digital Platform

Program Featuring

Alliance for African Partnership
Dr. Amy Jamison and Dr. Jose Jackson-Malete
Co-Directors AAP

Global Knowledge Partnership:
Connecting Africa with the World
Dr. Karim Maredia
Director, WorldTAF Program

Africa R&D Connect
Dr. Cholani Wembadde and Dr. Hashini Galhena
Project PIs

Africa R&D Connect is a digital platform for information sharing and connecting African students and scholars, faculty members and MSU alumni from Africa and/or have an interest in education, research and outreach efforts in Africa.

Organized and Sponsored by:
The ‘Africa R&D Connect’ research team of the Alliance for African Partnership at Michigan State University

AFRICA R&D CONNECT
Connecting Interdisciplinary Sciences for Research and Development in Africa

Join us for
Launch meeting and Dinner reception

Please RSVP to author24@msu.edu by Tuesday, April 23, 12:00 noon

On Wednesday, April 24, 2019
From 3:00 PM to 6:30 PM
Room 271
Plant and Soil Science Building (PSSB)

The 2019 Muslim Studies Program
Student Research Showcase
Thursday, April 25, 2019, 303 International Center
The Ubuntu Dialogues: Museums and Communities Connect is a partnership project between the MSU African Studies Center and the Stellenbosch University Museum in South Africa. This 3-year Mellon Foundation funded project will consist of online student dialogues (Ubuntu Conversations); graduate student internship exchanges; and seminars involving academic leaders and heritage professionals (Ubuntu Seminars). The key aims of the Ubuntu Dialogues project are to build bridges among students, faculty and heritage professionals in South Africa and the USA; to transform institutions through collaborative engagement; to transform lives through engaged learning; and to bridge the digital divide between the global north and south.

Assistant Director of Outreach
African Studies Center (MSU)
Deadline: Open Until Filled

The MSU African Studies Center (ASC) is one of a suite of highly respected international studies programs at MSU, whose purpose is to offer a global education while engaging in cutting edge research on the world's most pressing challenges. A longtime recipient of U.S. Department of Education Title VI National Resource Center (NRC) and Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowships (FLAS), the center has over 200 affiliated faculty who teach and conduct research in diverse fields across the continent. The Assistant Director for Outreach works closely with the Center Director to provide strong support and leadership for Center outreach on campus, in the broader community and through online digital initiatives.

For more information, and to apply, please visit http://careers.msu.edu/cw/en-us/job/501176/specialist-outreachfixed-term

PhD Studentship: Tabora
African History, Ghent University
Deadline: April 30

Applications are invited for a four-year, fully-funded PhD studentship in African history at Gent University, Belgium. Applications at the post-doctoral level may be considered if there is a good fit with the candidate's previous work. The holder will be affiliated with the Gent History Department and be part of a research group on the aftermath of slavery in East Africa, funded by the European Research Council. The topic of this PhD project is the apparent disappearance of former slaves from the Central Tanzanian region of Tabora in the early twentieth century, and the afterlives of slavery in social memory. Principal investigator on the project is Felicitas Becker (see http://research.flw.ugent.be/nl/feli.becker). There is no obligation to teach, but contributions to teaching can be arranged. The stipend amounts to ca. 2000 EUR per month, tax-free. The default start date is October 1, 2019, but there is some flexibility.

The successful applicant will have completed an MA in African history, African studies or a related discipline by September 2019. Fieldwork, especially interview, experience is a plus but not required. For fieldwork purposes, s/he will need a working knowledge of Swahili or a demonstrable capacity for acquiring new languages quickly. To apply, please send transcripts of academic record, including evidence of language skills, a short (up to two pages) statement of research interests, and a writing sample of up to 5000 words to slaveryaftermath@gmail.com, and arrange for two letters of reference to be sent to the same address.

The Gent History Department has over 100 members, with an established strength in global history. Besides the history department, the post holder will find interlocutors in the African Studies department, the Conflict and Development research group, and the Global Studies centre. Gent is a vibrant and beautiful city of ca. 230,000 inhabitants, about 40,000 of them students. The official language is Flemish, but English is spoken almost universally, and research will be discussed in English. See https://visit.gent.be/en/HOME.

The deadline for applications is April 30. For further questions, please write to fmb26@cam.ac.uk.

PhD Studentship: Buganda
African History, Ghent University
Deadline: April 30

Applications are invited for a four-year, fully funded PhD studentship on the aftermath of slavery in twentieth-century Buganda. The holder will be affiliated with the History Department and be part of a research group on the aftermath of slavery in East Africa, funded by the European Research Council. The topic of this research project is the life trajectories of formerly enslaved people in Bugandan society from ca. 1900, and the role of slavery in social memory and public discourse. Principal investigator on the project is Felicitas Becker (see https://research.flw.ugent.be/en/feli.becker). There is no obligation to teach, but contributions to teaching can be arranged. Monthly pay amounts to 2000 EUR tax-free. The default start date is
October 1, 2019, but there is some flexibility.

Applicants are expected to have completed an MA in African history, African studies or a related discipline by September 2019. Fieldwork, especially interview, experience is a plus but not required. For fieldwork purposes, candidates will need a working knowledge of Luganda or a demonstrable capacity for acquiring new languages quickly. To apply, please send transcripts of academic record, including evidence of language skills, a short (up to two pages) statement of research interests, and a writing sample of up to 5000 words to slaveryaftermath@gmail.com, and arrange for two letters of reference to be sent to the same address.

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Post-Doctoral Position: Buganda
African History, Ghent University
Deadline: April 30

Applications are invited for a three-year post-doctoral position at Gent University, researching the aftermath of slavery in Buganda. The holder will be affiliated with the History Department and be part of a research group on the aftermath of slavery in East Africa, funded by the European Research Council. The topic of this research project is the life trajectories of formerly enslaved people in Bugandan society from ca. 1900, and the role of slavery in social memory and public discourse. Principal investigator on the project is Felicitas Becker (see https://research.flw.ugent.be/en/feli.becker).

There is no obligation to teach, but contributions to teaching can be arranged. Monthly pay starts at 2000 EUR minimum and may increase depending on seniority. The default start date is October 1, 2019, but there is some flexibility.

Applicants will have completed a PhD in African history or a related discipline. For fieldwork purposes, candidates will need a working knowledge of Luganda or a demonstrable capacity for acquiring new languages quickly. To apply, please send transcripts of academic record, including evidence of language skills, a short (up to two pages) statement of research interests, and a writing sample of up to 5000 words to slaveryaftermath@gmail.com, and arrange for two letters of reference to be sent to the same address.

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