

**January 22, 2019**

**Spring #3**

**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>

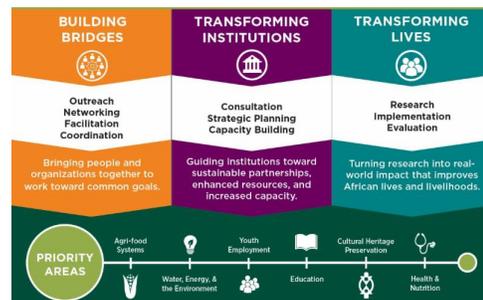
**Alliance for African Partnership**

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

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



**AFRICAN STUDIES CENTER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowships**

Application Deadline: January 31, 2019  
 (website is now working; we apologize for any inconvenience!)

The African Studies Center Invites Applicants for the FLAS Fellowship for the Study of African Languages: Intensive African Language Summer 2018 and Academic Year 2019-2020

\* FLAS Fellowships come with tuition and a stipend

- Academic Year Undergraduate 2019-2020: \$10,000/year in tuition and \$5,000 in stipends
- Academic Year Graduate 2019-2020: \$18,000/year in tuition and \$15,000 in stipends
- Intensive African Language Summer 2019: \$5000 for tuition and \$2,500 for stipends

Both graduate and undergraduate students may apply

Fellowships are awarded to qualified students in programs that combine the study of foreign languages with advanced training and research in an African focused academic or professional area

The FLAS fellowship is funded by the U.S. Department of Education Title VI program for the study of African languages and non-language courses on Africa.

For additional information: <http://africa.isp.msu.edu/undergraduatestudies/african-languages/foreign-language-and-area-studies-flas/>



LANGUAGES OFFERED  
Amharic  
Arabic, Modern  
Standard  
Arabic, Sudanese  
Bamansankan  
Bambara  
Chewa  
Fulfulde/Pulaar  
Hausa  
Igbo  
Malagasy  
Mende  
Shona  
Somali  
Swahili  
Twi  
Venda  
Wolof  
Xhosa  
Yoruba  
Zulu  
Portuguese\*  
French\*

\*For advanced undergraduate students

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## Eye on Africa

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

**Thursday, January 24, 2018**  
**12:00-1:30pm-Room 201 International Center**

"Dynamics of African Food Systems and Diets"  
Eye on Africa with Cynthia Donovan and David Tschirley, Agricultural, Food and Resource Economics, Michigan State University

**Thursday, January 31, 2018**  
**12:00-1:30pm-Room 303 International Center**

"Gender, Sexuality and hip Hop in Africa."  
Eye on Africa with Msia Kobona Clark, Africana Studies, Howard University

**Recent Seminars can be watched at**  
[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCZRR96\\_6EJqFfSPIZq0mdng/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCZRR96_6EJqFfSPIZq0mdng/)

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

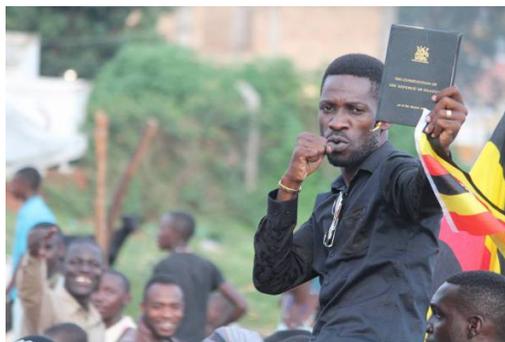
Thursdays-4:00-6:00pm

427 N. Shaw Lane, Room 303 International Center

**January 24: The Gambia & Uganda**

**February 7: Madagascar, Togo and  
Namibia**

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



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## MSU ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**A New Form of Hunger in Africa? The Double Burden of Malnutrition**  
Now through February 2019  
Main Library, 4th Floor, West Wing



MSU has contributed to improved nutrition in Africa for decades. Since 1960, and the beginning of MSU's relationship with Africa, the study of Africa's agriculture, food security, and food safety have been major tenets of MSU's teaching and research on Africa. The projects undertaken by MSU's Food Security Group, made up of faculty and graduate students from AFRE and other departments, represent an important aspect of partnership with the African continent. The work of the Food Security Group has been supported by MSU Libraries, which provide the materials necessary for research and simultaneously work to document the history of research and partnerships in Africa.

Through a selection of library materials, artifacts, and photographs, this exhibit introduces key concepts toward ending hunger and improving livelihood in developing countries. As part of MSU's Year of Global Africa celebration, we wish to share several of the key issues that a dedicated group of MSU faculty, students, and staff attempt to address in Africa to ensure access to safe and nutritious food to all.

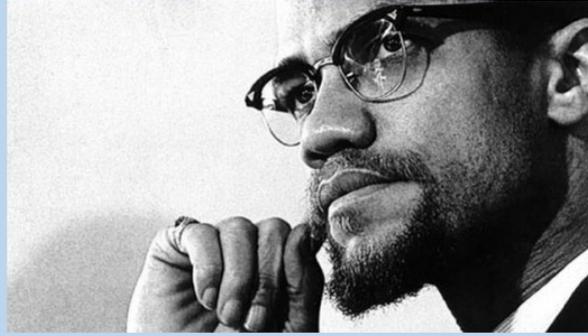
Exhibit curated by Elisabeth Paymal, Jessica Achberger, and Anita Ezzo ; artifacts courtesy of the Food Security Group at Michigan State University.

To learn more about the work of the Food Security Group and food transformation in Africa, please plan to attend the January 24, 2019 Eye on Africa series lecture by Cynthia Donovan and Dave Tschirley, 12:00-1:30 pm, International Center (Rm 201).

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**A Chronology of Changes: The Evolution of Malcolm X**  
Monday, February 4th, 3:30pm  
Rm 303 International Center

## A Chronology of Changes: The Evolution of Malcolm X



A Special Presentation by Zaheer Ali of the Brooklyn  
Historical Society and New York University

**Monday, February 4, 3:30pm**  
**MSU International Center, Room 303**

Cosponsored by MSU African American and African  
Studies, Muslim Studies Program, Office for Inclusion and  
Intercultural Initiatives, Department of Religious Studies,  
and the University of Michigan Digital Islamic Studies  
Curriculum (DISC)

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## Global Engagement Speaker Series

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2019 | 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. |  
Talk and Reception: Rm 303, International Center

### **Pauline Mujawamariya Koelbl**

Managing Director, African Innovation Foundation

Innovation, Social Entrepreneurship, and Enterprise for the Public  
Good in Africa

Pauline Mujawamariya Koelbl is a leading expert and influencer on  
the transformation of developing countries to emerging economies  
by designing programs and policies fostering inclusive innovations.

To register for the event, and read more about Pauline, visit the link  
below.

<https://events.engage.msu.edu/Registrations/Register/2207>



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## ATTENTION: Graduate Students and Postdoctoral Fellows

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2019 | 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.  
Chittenden Hall, Room 110

### **Informal Conversation with Pauline Mujawamariya Koelbl (see above)**

Please join us for an informal conversation with Pauline Mujawamariya Koelbl, Managing Director,  
African Innovation Foundation. Lunch will be provided.

Register below

<https://grad.msu.edu/events/global-engagement-speaker-series-pauline-mujawamariya-koelbl-0>

Sponsored by: The MSU Graduate School

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## 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](mailto:agsa@msu.edu) for more information.

For additional information, please e-mail us at [agsa@msu.edu](mailto:agsa@msu.edu)

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## 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](mailto:AerniFL1@msu.edu) and Molade Osibodu: [Mosibodu@msu.edu](mailto: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

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## Jobs

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### INTERNATIONAL SUMMER PROGRAM VOLUNTEERS

WorldTeach

Application Deadline: April 15th

WorldTeach is currently accepting applications for all 2019 programs!

WorldTeach strives to offer highly-motivated individuals the opportunity to teach, learn, and grow through contribution to important educational needs of local learners in communities around the globe. They are recruiting teachers for volunteers to serve in Ecuador, India, Namibia, Mexico, Morocco, and South Africa.

For more information, and to apply, visit the WorldTeach website at <https://worldteach.org/apply/>



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## Fellowships

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### ARIS Center Fellowships on Advancing Research Impacts in Society

Deadline: January 30, 2019

The NSF-funded ARIS Center was recently launched with a mission to Advance Research Impacts in Society.

FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM. The ARIS Center is implementing a fellowship program intended to increase the quality and availability of scholarship and resources about research impacts through:

- Projects that synthesize existing scholarly work to package evidence into easily applied and digestible tools that can be used by the research community to improve research impacts design and practice
- Small-scale innovative scholarship that explores new horizons and advances knowledge about research impacts.

Both types of projects require recipients to create products such as guidance documents, white papers, scholarly articles, decision support tools, multimedia supports, instructive videos, or other creative or scholarly outputs.

FELLOW SUPPORT: Fellows are provided three types of support over the course of approximately one year:

- participation in a community of fellows working to advance research impacts
- peer-review and editing of products under development along with publishing/production and dissemination support
- A small stipend to individuals or for organizations to offset the cost of fellowship work and/or fellowship related travel (\$5,000 for single fellow award, \$7,500 for team projects split among collaborators)

ELIGIBILITY: Professionals, researchers, faculty, educators, graduate students and others from universities, colleges, and other organizations working to advance practice and improve outcomes of research impact.

DUE DATE: Applications are due January 30, 2019

For more information and application instructions, see: <https://broaderimpacts.net/aris-center->

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## Conferences

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### Call for Papers

Afrisem Annual Graduate Conference

Northwestern University, April 4-6, 2019; Deadline: January 31, 2019

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Robtel Pailey, Oxford University

The Program of African Studies graduate student seminar (AfrSem) invites graduate student papers in the study of Africa and its communities engaging with the theme: **African Studies Now: Decolonizing the Field**. Interested participants should submit abstracts of 250 words maximum to [afriemconference@gmail.com](mailto:afriemconference@gmail.com) by January 31, 2019. Please include your name, affiliation, contact details in the submission, and include "Abstract submission" in the subject line. There are a limited number of small travel grants available.

As indicated by such movements as #RhodesMustFall, the manner of organizing and disseminating knowledge about Africa remains fairly hegemonic. Scholarship about Africa relies on specific cultural viewpoints and political interests, and, lamentably, fails to take into consideration knowledge production occurring on the continent outside the confines of privileged spaces of academic instruction. This predicament provoked the Liberian scholar, Robtel Pailey, to ask, "where is the 'African' in African Studies?"

Presentations are welcome from a diverse range of disciplines in the social sciences, arts, and humanities. We are also interested in papers that engage with art, society, governance, and education. The conference is primarily a forum for graduate students to present their research to a cross-disciplinary audience. All presenters will be notified of acceptance by February 8th, 2019. Accepted presentations will be considered for publication in the Pan-Africanist journal.

Please contact the organizers on [afriemconference@gmail.com](mailto:afriemconference@gmail.com) with questions and inquiries

### Contact

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