CALL FOR APPLICATIONS
FACULTY GRANTS

The African Studies Center at Michigan State University offers multiple Africa-related grants. MSU Faculty can apply for:

- **Curriculum Development Grants**
- **Faculty Development Workshops Grants**
- **Strategic Partnership Grants**
- **Special Programming Grants**

A. Curriculum Development Grants

We have funding to support any faculty interested in developing a new course or seminar related to Africa or revising an extant course or seminar to include at least 25% of Africa content. We have $2500 available for faculty summer stipends and may be able to support consulting services for faculty who need content assistance. We may also be able to support some teaching materials purchases up to $500. Grantees will submit syllabi for the new or revised courses to the African Studies Center.

B. Faculty Development Workshops

We are also able to offer up to $5000 to departments interested in creating a workshop on curriculum development. This could be used by a group of faculty and graduate students to develop expertise on a topic for a specific course (for example, 2-3 faculty that teach a course on Global Nutrition could work together to develop a unit or case study about African nutrition). It could also be used to help departments brainstorm creatively about ways to integrate African content into their individual courses. These funds can be used for the following expenses:

- Hiring an external consultant (up to $2000)
- Faculty stipends ($500 each in summer salary for participating faculty)
- Curriculum materials including books for faculty; films and library acquisitions; etc. (up to $1500)

The African Studies Center staff are available to assist with identifying consultants and designing the workshops.

C. Strategic Partnership Grants

Faculty research funds are available to strengthen strategic partnerships with universities and other institutions of higher education and research in Africa. Strategic Partnership funds will provide partial support of travel costs to develop strategic partnerships. Until travel restrictions are lifted, strategic partnership funds will provide partial support for costs other than travel, for example:

- Hiring of graduate research assistants
- Access to research materials
- Faculty summer stipends both for MSU faculty and for international partners

A 20% matching funds from applicants' deans or department chairpersons is required. Outcomes from these awards should include development or submission of a collaborative proposal (including MSU and partner institution faculty) for external funding, or development of new collaborative curricular programs (degree programs, courses, faculty exchanges).

D. Special Programming Grants Awards: range from $2000-$4000

Examples of Events/Activities/Programs:

- Bring a Guest Speaker
- Mount an Exhibit
- Host a Panel Discussion
- Plan a Social Event
- Organize a Festival
- 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.
  a. Africa-related programming
  b. Extends knowledge and heightens awareness of Africa
  c. We encourage cross-departmental and community collaboration
  d. Partnerships on- and off-campus are valued
  e. Events must be free and open to the public

Deadline: applications will be accepted and reviewed on a rolling basis.

Interested faculty should submit the following Application Form!

APPLICATION FORM
FACULTY/DEPARTMENT GRANTS

Instructions:

Complete this easy Application Form and click the submit button to send application.

(If you encounter any technical difficulties, complete the form, save it and email to ascfunds@msu.edu)

Applicant:

First and Last Name:

Department/School:

Grant you are Applying for:

☐ Curriculum Development Grant ☐ Faculty Development Workshop

☐ Strategic Partnership Grant ☐ Special Programming Grant

Please describe what you are proposing, provide as many details as possible.

(Include event title, date of event, audience, matching funds, etc., if applicable.)