Fall #8, October 20th, 2020

AFRICA @ MSU THIS WEEK

Date: Thursday, October 22nd, 2020
Time: 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (EST)

This Week's Speaker and Topic:

This talk approaches Kenya’s late colonial and early postcolonial eras as a single period of political, economic, and social transition. During this period, many Kenyans framed their aspirations for independence in the language of development. In the process of pursuing development, rural Kenyans helped determine the policy priorities of the new nation, and they worked out how citizens accessed resources.

Eye on Africa is a weekly seminar series that provides scholars, policy-makers, applied practitioners, students, and the interested public with cutting-edge and highly-contextualized knowledge about the African continent.

Due to the restrictions on travel and assembly imposed by the COVID-19 pandemic, we will meet virtually throughout the fall. Please follow this link for the fall 2020 Eye On Africa schedule and for the required one-time registration.

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Time: 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (EST)

This Week's Topic:
Madagascar and Senegal, Resources and Remedies for COVID-19 in Africa

African Tea Times are an opportunity to learn and share about first-hand experiences on the African continent. Every other week, the African Tea Times focus on different countries. The tea times open to everyone. They are held every other Thursday, 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m (EST), and are held virtually on Zoom.

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Ubuntu Dialogues Seminar Program - Call for Participants

The African Studies Center at Michigan State University (MSU) is pleased to invite applications for participation in the 2021 Ubuntu Dialogues Seminar Program.

The seminars are part of the Ubuntu Dialogues, an Andrew W. Mellon Foundation-funded partnership between the MSU African Studies Center and the Stellenbosch University Museum. The partnership is geared toward a) transforming the function and practice of the museum as an institution, both within Africa and around the world; b) establishing new and strengthening existing connections between universities and communities; and 3) developing a replicable framework for universities to become dynamic sites for the co-creation and dissemination of knowledge and practice. It is conceived around transnational dialogue and engagement among students, faculty, and community partners in South Africa and the United States. The partnership project comprises three main components: virtual student conversations; a student exchange program; and the seminar program.

Your CV and abstract should be sent as one PDF file over email to Upenyu Majee at majeeupe@msu.edu by Friday October 30, 2020.

More Info

Apply Now to the FY 2021 Seminars Abroad Program!
U.S. Department of Education: Fulbright-Hays Seminars Abroad Program

**Deadline:** Friday, December 18th, 2020

The *Fulbright-Hays Seminars Abroad Program* (SA) provides U.S. educators in the social sciences and humanities with opportunities to participate in short-term seminars abroad to improve their understanding and knowledge of the peoples and cultures of other countries. In 2021, summer seminars will be offered in Iceland, Morocco, and Mexico.

Each thematic seminar features educational lectures and interactive, cultural activities specifically designed for elementary, secondary, and postsecondary educators, including visits to local schools and organizations and meetings with education administrators, government officials, policymakers, teachers, and students. Participants draw on their experiences during the program to create new or to enhance cross-cultural curricula for use in their U.S. classrooms and school systems.

Sixteen educators participate in each seminar. The SA program covers airfare, room and board, and program costs. Teacher participants are responsible for a cost-share of $650.

*Please note that seminar dates could be postponed until the summer of 2022 due to international travel restrictions that may be enacted in response to the current COVID-19 pandemic.*

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**Save the Dates! - UN 75th Anniversary Celebration Events**

**Date:** Sunday, October 25th, 2020  
**Time:** 3:00 PM (EST)

**UNA Greater Lansing Chapter invites you to join our celebration of the 75th anniversary of the United Nations - via Zoom!**

As we celebrate the UN’s 75th anniversary—we reflect on the past, celebrate the accomplishments of the present, and look forward to progress and a better and brighter future. We will recognize organizations across Michigan that work toward the UN Sustainable Development Goals, honor local individuals, welcome speakers from Washington, and enjoy music.
Schlumberger Fellowships for Women PhD Students and Researchers from Emerging Countries

The Schlumberger Foundation is accepting new applications for the 2021–2022 Faculty for the Future Fellowships from September 9th to November 9th, 2020.

The Faculty for the Future program, launched in 2004, awards fellowships to women from developing and emerging countries to pursue PhD or Post-doctoral research in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) fields at leading universities worldwide. The program's long-term goal is to accelerate gender equality in STEM by generating conditions that result in more women pursuing scientific careers through alleviating some of the barriers they encounter when enrolling in STEM disciplines. The program is committed to gender parity in science and recognizes that full access to and participation in a STEM curriculum is essential for the empowerment of women and girls. By accelerating gender equality in STEM, the talent and capacities of these women can be developed for the benefit of their local communities, regions and nations.

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