

# African Studies Center Michigan State University

January 9, 2018

Spring #1

Welcome to the African Studies Center's Newsletter and list of upcoming events, speaker presentations, tea times, conferences, jobs and other exciting opportunities.

Please feel free to visit our website for more information:

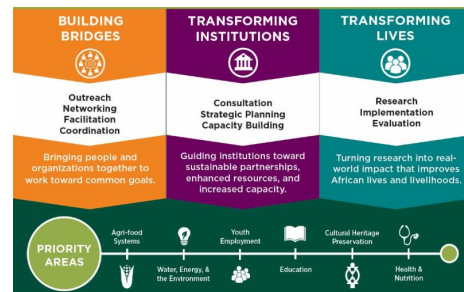
<http://www.africa.isp.msu.edu>

## 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/>



## AFRICAN STUDIES CENTER ANNOUNCEMENTS

### African Studies Center FLAS Fellowships

(Foreign Language and Area Studies)

Application Deadline: February 2, 2018

The ASC invites applicants for the FLAS fellowship for the study of African Languages for both Summer 2018 and the 2018-2019 academic year.

For additional information, visit the FLAS page on our site below

<http://africa.isp.msu.edu/undergraduate-studies/african-languages/foreign-language-and-area-studies-flas/>

### Eye on Africa

Thursday, January 18, 2018

12:00-1:30pm-Room 201 International Center

"Reading Under the Covers: A History of Schooling in Kenya"

Eye on Africa with Dr. Kenda Mutongi, Professor of History at Williams College

*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 11: Kenya & Sudan*

*January 25: Botswana & Tanzania*

You can see the complete 2017- 2018 Tea Time calendar [here](#).



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Introducing...

## The Weekly African Trivia Challenge

Beginning this semester, our weekly bulletin will feature a trivia question. You are invited to send your responses to [africa@campusad.msu.edu](mailto:africa@campusad.msu.edu). The first three correct answers will receive a prize!\*\*

### **This Week's Question...**

**What are the three (3) most populous countries in Africa?**

(\* prizes available for pick-up at the African Studies Center only. If you are unable to pick up, consider sending someone to do so for you).

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## MSU ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Request for HARP Production Proposals**

Production submission Deadline: Thursday, February 1, 2018 @5pm

The Office of the Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies invites applications to the 2017-2018 Humanities and Arts Research Program - Production (HARP-P). Guidelines and instructions can be found online at the Grant Proposal System (GPS) website (<https://gps.vprgs.msu.edu>).

Proposals are to be submitted electronically through the HARP GPS site. If you have any questions after reviewing the website, contact HARP at: [gps-help@msu.edu](mailto:gps-help@msu.edu) or 432-3773.

The HARP Production program provides funds, when research is complete, to help subsidize the costs of book publication, permissions to use copyrighted materials, CD recording and production, the creation and mounting of exhibits, and other expenses associated with producing the results of a completed creative or research project. A contract from the publisher will be required if funds are being requested to publish a book.

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## JOBS & STUDY PROGRAMS

### **Yoruba Group Project Abroad in Nigeria** **Howard University Center for African Studies**

June 15-August 14, 2018

Application Deadline: January 15, 2018

This Intensive Advanced Yoruba Group Project Abroad (GPA) program is funded by the United States Department of Education through Fulbright- Hays fellowships. The purpose of our program is to offer students taking Yoruba language courses in American universities a rare opportunity to learn the language and culture at an advanced level among Yoruba native speakers. The goal is to make participants productive in their studies and careers and to give them a better understanding of Nigeria upon their return to the United States.

For more information and to apply, visit the program's page [here](#).

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## SCHOLARSHIPS & CONFERENCES

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### International Conference on African Development Call for Papers

August 3-5, 2018, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, Michigan  
Abstracts Due: February 1, 2018

To access past conference papers see the [International Conferences on African Development Archives](#) . Selected papers will be reviewed for publication in CADPR-sponsored [International Journal of African Development](#).

This conference has been held biannually both in Michigan and in Ethiopia. The most recent was held in Ethiopia with collaboration between three universities. The 10th anniversary ICAD will invite both past participants and new scholars across disciplines including African, International and US alumni from WMU in economics, political science, statistics, biological sciences, chemistry, geology, education, psychology, business, philosophy, nursing and engineering.

For more information, and to submit a proposal, visit the [conference site](#).



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### Funding Opportunities for International Work

Here are a few great opportunities that have recently landed on our table, and are waiting for your applications!

Data for Youth Services Collaborative Project in Côte d'Ivoire  
<https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=299169>

Department of State Mission to Nigeria  
U.S. Embassy Abuja PAS Annual Program Statement  
<https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=299184>

National Science Foundation: Documenting Endangered Languages  
<https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=289187>

USAID Countering violent extremism, Ghana  
<https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=299322>

Department of State: Combat Slavery in West Africa  
<https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=298241>

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# Sub-Saharan Africa Scholarship (Georgetown University)

Applications Due January 15, 2018

Georgetown University is offering a full-tuition for students from Sub-Saharan Africa who are interested in a career in international development. The scholarship will be awarded based on overall strength of the application with a deadline of January 15, 2018. Competitive applicants should have at least one to two years of experience working in international development or a related field. All applicants must have completed an undergraduate degree prior to proposed enrollment.

For the application form and more information, visit the scholarship page [here](#).

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## Other Announcements

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### Non-Colonial African Languages Project

Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History

The Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History is in the process of installing a new S.T.E.M. based unit in our Inspiring Minds: African Americans in Science & Technology exhibition. The museum is in search of audio snippets of Black Africans speaking non-colonial languages. The museum has elected the countries of South Africa, Mali, Libya, and the Democratic Republic of the Congo, looking for four different geographical areas- and may select different countries, based on the availability of speakers or audio you may already possess. The audio can be a conversation followed by a translation, or instructional with a few words being said.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Melissa Samson at [msamson@thewright.org](mailto:msamson@thewright.org)

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