

## November 6, 2018

## Fall #11

### 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



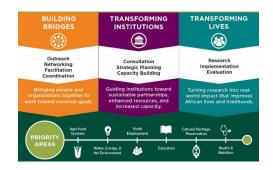
### Alliance for African Partnership

To learn more about the Alliance for African Partnership, <u>aap.isp.msu.edu</u>

### Eye On Africa Speaker Series

To learn more about Eye on Africa, <u>http://africa.isp.msu.edu/programs/eye-africa/</u>

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



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## AFRICAN STUDIES CENTER ANNOUNCEMENTS

# **Eye on Africa**

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

Thursday, November 8, 2018 12:00-1:30pm-Room 201 International Center

"Mugabeism after Mugabe: One Year Later." Eye on Africa with Shingi Mavima, Phd candidate,African American and African Studies, MSU

### Thursday, November 15, 2018

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

"Transregional Choices - African Voices? Perspectives on Africa's China Relations" Eye on Africa with Rihrandu Mageza- Barthel, Political Science, Visiting Scholar at Cornell

Recent Seminars can be watched at <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCZRR96\_6EJqFfSPIZq0mdng/</u>

#### 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

November 15: Angola, Cameroon, & Somalia

You can see the complete 2018-2019 Tea Time calendar <u>here.</u>



### **MSU ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## Call for Applications MSU Dialogues: Race and Gender

Deadline to apply to be a facilitator: November 7, 2018 Deadline to apply to participate: December 1, 2018



The Office of Inclusion and Intercultural Initiatives, in partnership with the Center for Gender in a Global Context (gencen) are now seeking undergraduate and graduate student facilitators and participants for our Spring 2019 MSU Dialogues series. Two topics are available: Race and Gender.

In MSU Dialogues, undergraduate and graduate students will:

- Learn about their own identities
- Build relationships across differences of race, gender, ethnicity, class, sexual orientation,
- nationality, and other identities

Create positive change in our community and beyond Develop leadership skills for life.

For more information on the dialogues, and to apply, visit the link below

https://msu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\_54tFL0g26qz3P6t

If you have questions, please contact Dr. Donna Kaplowitz at dialogue@msu.edu.

### Panel Discussion: Elections and the Democratic Future of Africa

Date: Thursday, November 8th Time: 5pm - 7pm Place: Room 201 International Center

One scholar has argued, "Elections are not only the life of democracy but also the death of dictatorship." Still with this reality, many African states are yet to achieve electoral democracy. The panel discusses prospects of democracy in Africa in the 21st Century.

#### Panelists:

Peter Penar, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science Ahmed Nuhu, Doctoral Student, Agriculture, Food & Resource Economics Angela Manjichi, Doctoral Student, Community Sustainability Idris Abubakar, Doctoral Candidate, Educational Administration Luyando Katenda, Junior, International Relations

Panel Moderator: Jorem Awadu, PhD Student, Rehabilitation Counseling

Join us this Thursday! .

Global Festival 2018- Save the Date! MSU Union November 11, 12pm- 5pm

The MSU Global Festival will be at the MSU Union on Sunday, November 11th from noon to 5p.m.

Country-specific exhibits, cultural demonstrations and live performances by international students will bring the community together to celebrate cultures around the world. Pick up souvenirs at the World Gift Shop, where all proceeds go to international student scholarships, or take home some new dance moves; students will be teaching traditional steps in an open dance studio following their performances.

The MSU Union is located at the corner of Grand River Avenue and Abbot Road. Admission to the festival is free, with parking for free at the Grand River Ramp.

The Global Festival is sponsored by The Office for International Students and Scholars (OISS), The Multicultural Unity Center (MOSAIC), Michigan State University Federal Credit Union (MSUFCU), Two Men and a Truck, University Activities Board (UAB), MSU Union and Community Volunteers for International Programs (CVIP).

For more information, visit https://oiss.isp.msu.edu/ about/feature/globalfestival/

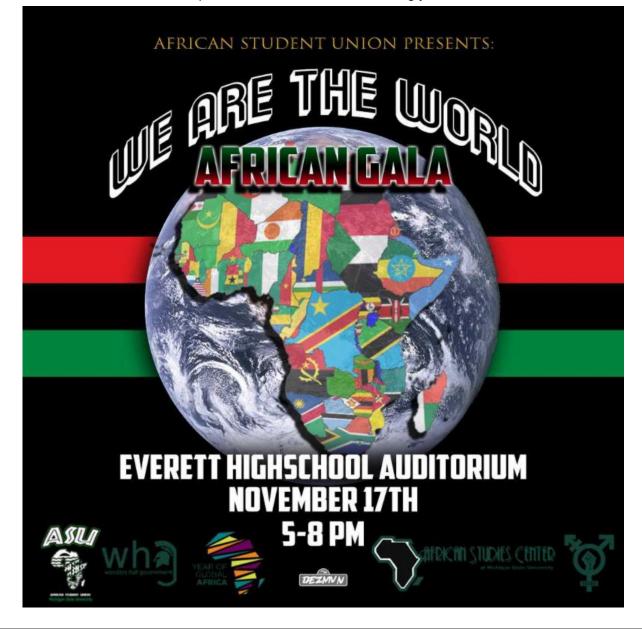


### Annual African Gala

November 17 2018; 5pm- 8pm Everett High School Auditorium

Every year the African Student Union hosts the annual gala to celebrate African Culture with MSU students and faculty as well the community across the greater Lansing Area. We are excited to extend

this invitation to you to join the ASU this year at Everett High school Auditorium on November 17th from 5 pm to 8 pm to enjoy a range of performances including dance, modeling, singing, poetry among others. This event is free and open to all. We look forward to seeing you there!



### Soweto Gospel Choir Sunday November 18, 6:30pm Cobb Great Hall - Wharton Center for Performing Arts



Soweto Gospel Choir has been spreading sheer joy to audiences across the globe for nearly two decades! The choir invites you to enjoy the incomparable and inspirational power of African Gospel music. These uplifting performers have shared the stage with some of the biggest names in music including U2, Aretha Franklin, Stevie Wonder, Robert Plant, Celine Dion, Red Hot Chili Peppers and Josh Groban. For the first half of this concert, the choir will perform "Songs of the Free," a rousing program celebrating the centenary of the birth of the father of their Rainbow Nation, Nelson Mandela. Following that, the performers will share international gospel classics including their hair-raising take on Leonard Cohen's "Hallelujah."

"Sheer jubilation ... the rhythm of life." - Herald

Sun, Melbourne.

\$19 MSU Student tickets: Visit https://www.whartoncenter.com/events/detail/soweto-gospel-choir Select students on the right-hand side of the page, and enter your APID to redeem.

\$19 Youth Tickets (through grade 12): Visit https://www.whartoncenter.com/events/detail/soweto-gospel-choir and select "Youth Tickets" in the drop-down box when selecting seats.

\$19 Non-MSU College Student Tickets: Call the Wharton Center Ticket Office at 1.800.WHARTON or visit in person.

Event page: https://www.whartoncenter.com/events/detail/soweto-gospel-choir

Please don't hesitate to contact me at WC.Maya.Kleinsorge@whartoncenter.com or Ryonn Clute atcluteryo@msu.edu or 517.884.3117 with any questions.

## Year of Global Africa Mini-Grants

Grants Available for Programming by Faculty/Departments and Student Organizations Deadline: November 21, 2018

2018/19 is the Year of Global Africa at Michigan State University. MSU is exploring its rich history and connections with our many partners in Africa and throughout the African Diaspora.

Have an event in mind? We want to help make it happen!

For faculty-led/departmental programs, find the application form <u>here</u>. For student-led programs, find the application form <u>here</u>.

# **Fellowships & Scholarships**

## U.S. Department of State Critical Language Scholarship (CLS) Program

Application Deadline: Tuesday, November 27, 2018 by 8:00pm EST

Applications are now being accepted for the U.S. Department of State's Critical Language Scholarship (CLS) Program at http://www.clscholarship.org/apply Applications are due Tuesday, November 27, 2018 by 8:00pm EST.

The CLS Program is a fully-funded intensive overseas language and cultural immersion program for U.S. undergraduate and graduate students enrolled at U.S. colleges and universities. Students spend eight to ten weeks abroad studying one of 15 critical languages: Arabic, Azerbaijani, Bangla, Chinese, Hindi, Indonesian, Japanese, Korean, Persian, Portuguese, Punjabi, Russian, Swahili, Turkish, and Urdu. Most CLS languages do not require previous study of the target language.

The program includes intensive language instruction and structured cultural enrichment experiences designed to promote rapid language gains. The scholarship program includes international airfare, tuition, and all program costs, as well as meals and living accommodations (often with a host family).

The CLS Program seeks participants with diverse interests, and from a wide range of fields of study and career paths, with the purpose of representing the full diversity of the United States. Participants are selected based on their commitment to language learning and plans to apply their language skills to their future academic or professional pursuits.

CLS is part of a wider government initiative to expand the number of Americans studying and mastering foreign languages that are critical to national security and economic prosperity. CLS plays an important role in preparing students for the 21st century's globalized workforce and increasing national competitiveness.

Download a one-page CLS flyer <u>here</u>. CLS Website: http://www.clscholarship.org CLS Facebook page: http://www.facebook.com/CLScholarship CLS Twitter page: https://twitter.com/CLSscholarship

# GJEC fellowship competition

### Deadline: December 2, 2018

The Gender, Justice, and Environmental Change (GJEC) Program is pleased to announce fellowships available to MSU graduate students. Generous funding provided by MSU's Graduate School allows us to offer fellowship opportunities in the following two categories:

#### GJEC Dissertation Research Fellowship (Up to \$10,000)

Eligibility: PhD. students at MSU who have completed all requirements for their degree with the exception of their dissertation research. Applicants must have dissertation projects that focus specifically on the gender dimensions of environmental and/or agricultural change.

#### GJEC Dissertation Completion Fellowship (\$8,500)

Eligibility: PhD. students at MSU who have completed dissertation research and all other requirements for their degree program, except for completion of the dissertation. Applicants must graduate by the end of Fall 2020 with a dissertation focused on the gender dimensions of environmental and/or agricultural change.

We encourage previously unsuccessful applications to reapply. Applications are due December 1st, 2018, and are available at <u>https://gencen.isp.msu.edu/graduate-students/funding/</u>

Applicants do not need to be enrolled in the GJEC specialization to be eligible. Students who previously received a GJEC Research fellowship are still qualified to compete for a GJEC Completion fellowship.Previously successful applicants can be found here: <a href="https://gencen.isp.msu.edu/graduate-students/giec-program/">https://gencen.isp.msu.edu/graduate-students/giec-program/</a>

# Conferences

### Call for Proposals

21st Annual Africana Studies Student Research Conference: Friday, February 8, 2019; Deadline: December 7, 2018 Bowling Green State University

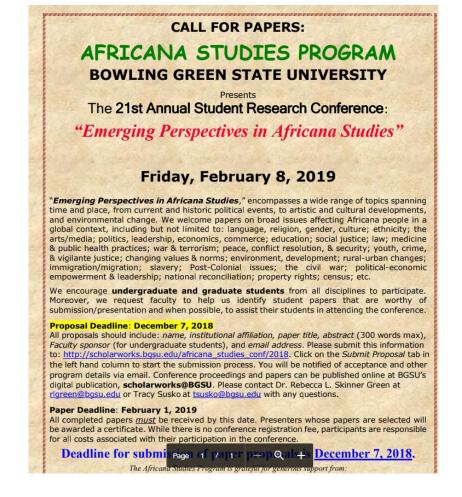
The Africana Studies Program at BGSU is proud to announce the 21st Annual Africana Studies Student Research Conference:

"Emerging Perspectives in Africana Studies" Friday, February 8, 2019

We encourage undergraduate and graduate students from all disciplines to participate. And we are asking faculty to help us identify students whose work is appropriate for submission/presentation. Panels will be held in the morning and afternoon, punctuated by a keynote luncheon.

#### Proposal Deadline: December 7, 2018

All proposals should include: name, institutional affiliation, paper title, abstract (300 words max), Faculty sponsor (for undergraduate students), and email address, and will be submitted to: http://scholarworks.bgsu.edu/africana\_studies\_conf/.



## MAIE Call for Proposals

March 7-8, 2019 Abstract Deadline: November 30, 2018 Eberhard Center at Grand Valley State University, Grand Rapids



The MAIE (Michigan Association of International Educators) Annual Conference for 2019 is <u>now</u> <u>accepting presentation proposals</u>! The deadline to submit is November 30th, 2018.

The Conference will be March 7 and 8, with preconference workshops on March 6, at the Grand Valley State University Eberhard Center in Grand Rapids. We are looking for presentations that address all areas of international education including:

- International Student and Scholar Services
- Education Abroad
- International Enrollment Management
- Teaching, Learning, and Scholarship
- Internationalization at Community Colleges
- International Education Leadership
- And more!

Conference sessions will be in 1 hour blocks, and workshops will be either full or half-days. Flash sessions (30 minutes) may also be offered, depending on demand.

Please consider sharing your expertise and creativity with the IE community in Michigan this year! For more information about the Conference, and to submit your proposal, please visit www.maie.us. First-time presenters are more than welcome, and encouraged to apply for one of our grants.

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