



## AFRICA @ MSU THIS WEEK

November 19th

Fall #13

JOIN US for an evening of music, dance, drumming, delicious food, Year of Global Africa Ice Cream, and, of course, fabulous company!

YEAR OF GLOBAL AFRICA

**Please join us!**

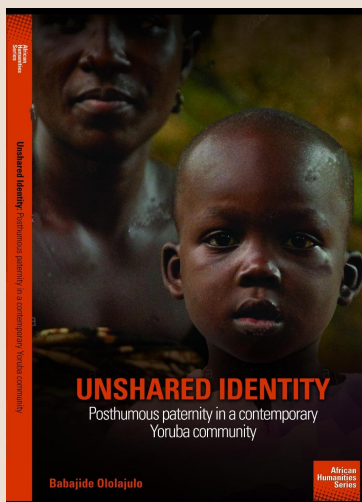
Year of Global Africa Grand Finalé  
Tuesday Evening, December 3, 2019, 5-8pm

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY BALLROOM IN THE STUDENT UNION  
49 ABBOT ROAD, EAST LANSING

PLEASE RSVP BY NOVEMBER 22

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### Eye On Africa

#### Babajide Ololajulo

From University of Ibadan

Unequal Colonial Encounter and Epistemological Imagination in Contemporary Nigeria

Thursday December 5th 12:00-1:30p  
International Center Room 201

Lunch will be provided

<https://africa.isp.msu.edu/programs/eye-africa/>

### Featured Faculty

#### Robert A. Montgomery | Ph.D.

Over the past several decades, wildlife conservation research by African scholars has slowly increased. Recently, the Research on the Ecology of Carnivores and their Prey

(RECaP) Laboratory, led by Dr. Robert A. Montgomery, has been making significant strides in this area. Dr. Montgomery's work has resulted in increases in the number of African scientists and in the importance of the roles they play in the research process. He seeks to develop a cohort of independent wildlife conservationists from Africa. Therefore, students in his laboratory are involved in the entire scholarly process of designing of research questions, coordinating field research activities, and in the writing and publishing of results as first authors.



Dr. Montgomery's RECaP Lab stands out in its diversity of students working together to understand various aspects of wildlife ecology. Since the establishment of RECaP in 2014, Dr. Montgomery has mentored a total of 27 students at the undergraduate and graduate levels, 13 of whom are male and 14 female. Among these students, nine are from Africa. This approach has benefited individuals from underrepresented backgrounds in science and has created opportunities for students from around the world to establish strong collaborative networks.

Arthur Muneza, a PhD student from Rwanda, states; "my experience working with Dr. Montgomery has been extremely beneficial. My master's research on giraffe skin disease under his guidance led to my inclusion in the IUCN, Species Survival Commission, and the Giraffe and Okapi Specialist Group. Following this, Dr. Montgomery enabled my connections with several wildlife research partners in the USA, United Kingdom and in Africa. Had it not been for Dr. Montgomery's encouragement and advice, my career would not have progressed to the extent it has in such a short time."

Another of Dr. Montgomery's students, Tutilo Mudumba, will complete his PhD in Fisheries and Wildlife in the fall of 2019. Tutilo is from Uganda and originally came to MSU to study for a Master's degree in 2016. He states that Dr. Montgomery has been responsive, empathetic, and genuinely engaged with Tutilo's research since Tutilo joined the RECaP lab. "Dr. Montgomery's dedication to my academic welfare and his decision to recommend me for the PhD put me closer to my ambition of becoming a professor of Wildlife Conservation at Makerere University in Uganda."

Dr. Montgomery has received numerous awards in recognition of his scholarship and teaching, including the Outstanding Faculty Mentor Award from The Graduate School, Michigan State University's Teacher-Scholar Award, the John K. Hudzik Emerging International Leadership award from International Studies and Programs, and Excellence in Teaching Award from the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources.



### **African Postdoctoral Training Initiative (APTI)**



### **FLAS Scholarship**

Fellowships for graduate and undergraduate



The African Postdoctoral Training Initiative (APTI) is currently soliciting applications for a second cohort of fellows, with applications due December 1, 2019. APTI is supported by the African Academy of Sciences (AAS), the U.S. National Institutes of Health (NIH), and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to promote the training of early-career African scientists in the field of biomedical research.

Please visit to the [Postdoctoral Training Opportunity Website](#) for more information about the program and application process.

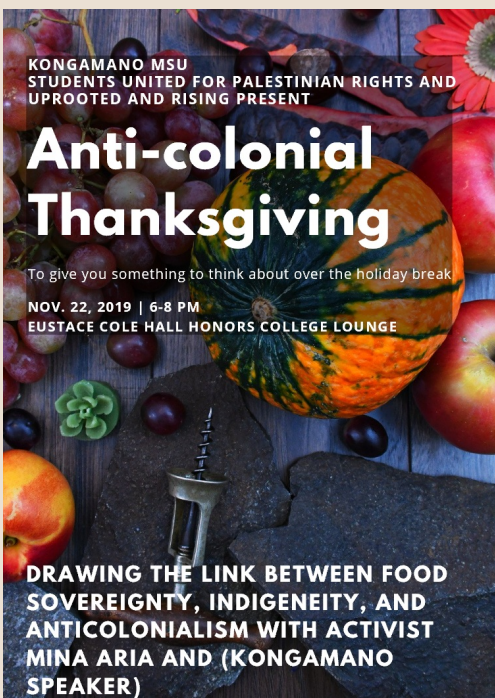
Apply before December 1st, 2019.

studies in African languages and area studies are available through the African Studies Center, provided by a grant from the U.S. Department of Education. They are designed for American (or permanent resident) students who plan to utilize a modern foreign language in their future careers.

FLAS Fellowships provide academic year undergraduates with \$10,000 towards tuition and fees, and a stipend of \$5,000. For graduate students, FLAS Fellowships provide \$18,000 toward tuition and fees for the academic year, and \$15,000 in stipends. Summer FLAS recipients receive \$5,000 in tuition and a \$2,000 stipend.

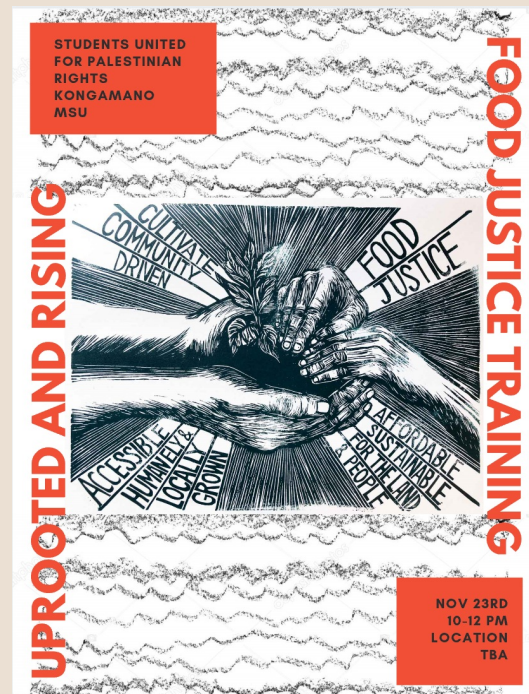
For more info visit: [African Studies Center's website](#)  
Contact Dr. Sarr: [sarrawa@msu.edu](mailto:sarrawa@msu.edu)

## Anti-Colonial Thanksgiving



November 22nd.  
6-8pm  
Eustace Cole Hall, Honors College Lounge

## Uprooted and Rising Food Justice Training



November 23rd  
10-12pm  
Location TBD

## Sign up for HST 830: African Sport and Society

Using soccer and other sport such as wrestling, boxing, and running, this seminar explores the relationship of sport and society in African history. Major questions to be discussed include:

Was sport used as a tool of European imperialism or did it represent African peoples' accommodation or resistance to foreign domination? How did governments, elites, and ordinary people seek to use the power of sports? How have national, racial, ethnic, gender, community, and class identities been expressed in the game? How have sports icons influenced ideas about honor, heroism, and beauty? How has global capitalism changed sport? This class is taught by Prof. Peter Alegi in Spring 2020 on Mondays, 4:10-7:00 PM in 355 Old Horticulture.

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## Human Rights Day 2019

Join the Greater Lansing United Nations Association to commemorate Human Rights Day! The Hannah Community Center will be hosting the event on Sunday December 1st from 3:30-6:00p. There will be refreshments, networking, and informal conversations with our presenters and other members of the Humphrey Fellowship Program. Teachers, students, faculty, and the general public are encouraged to attend! Program and parking are FREE.

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## Call For Applications!

The African Humanities Program is calling for new Postdoctoral Fellowship Applications

**Application Deadline:** November 20, 2019, 9:00pm GMT

We are pleased to announce that the ACLS African Humanities Program is now accepting applications for 2019-20 postdoctoral fellowships. The deadline to apply for an AHP Postdoctoral Fellowship is November 20, 2019, 9pm GMT.

Please email any questions to: [ofahelp@ACLS.org](mailto:ofahelp@ACLS.org)

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## African Studies Association Conference

The African Studies Association Annual Conference will be held in Boston, Massachusetts this week. Most of our staff will be in attendance and we hope to see you there.

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