From the Director’s Desk

I am pleased to present the fall 2009 issue of CASID Update, a comprehensive newsletter of our programmatic activities. In this issue, we feature a wide range of international development-related teaching, research, and outreach activities that we have supported during the past year. We look forward to continuing our work in the coming year and to the exciting opportunities ahead.

The Center for Advanced Study of International Development is a multidisciplinary unit housed in the College of Social Science and organized in cooperation with the Office of the Dean of International Studies and Programs. CASID promotes and coordinates the study of issues related to international development from the perspective of the social sciences and liberal arts.

CASID and the Gender, Development, and Globalization Program at Michigan State University have been designated by the U.S. Department of Education as a Comprehensive National Resource Center for Foreign Language and International Studies and receive funding under Title VI of the Higher Education Act of 1965. In addition to a wide range of Title VI-funded programmatic activities, CASID also provides assistance to College of Social Science and other core faculty seeking external funding for cross-unit, cross-disciplinary international development research and scholarship activities.

Robert S. Glew, PhD
Director

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

Title VI 50th Anniversary Conference

Michigan State University organized the Title VI 50th Anniversary Conference in Washington, D.C., with support from the International Education Programs Service (IEPS) at the U.S. Department of Education.

The conference, held March 19–21, 2009, showcased more than 170 presentations from 64 different universities, colleges, and internationally focused institutions from around the country celebrating the past, present, and future of Title VI funding. The conference had more than 600 attendees.

Former U.S. Secretary of State, the Honorable Madeleine K. Albright, gave the keynote address for the event to a packed room and received two standing ovations. During her speech, Albright addressed the importance of internationalizing curricula throughout universities.

She drew on her own experiences as a foreign student studying abroad in Europe and the United States, as well as on her experience as Secretary of State, to discuss the need for more U.S. students to learn and become fluent in foreign languages. The future of diplomacy, education, and the workforce in the United States, according to Albright, relies on U.S. relationships with the rest of the world, making it important for universities to facilitate cultural exchanges between U.S. and foreign students.

Robert Glew, director of the Center for Advanced Study of International Development, and Tomas Hult, director of the Center for International Business Education and Research, were the conference organizers. With recommendations continued on page 3

Former U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine K. Albright (center) with (from left) MSU’s CASID Director Robert Glew, CIBER Director Tomas Hult, Provost Kim Wilcox, and ISP Dean Jeffrey Riedinger
LATTICE: Internationalizing the K–12 Curriculum

Linking All Types of Teachers to International and Cross-cultural Education (LATTICE) is an award-winning study group that brings together local K–12 teachers, international graduate students, and MSU faculty and staff to learn about global issues and to bring a global perspective to K–12 classrooms. The goal of LATTICE is to change teachers’ perspectives and ways of thinking and to support international teaching and learning through collective study and discussion.

LATTICE participants meet one afternoon a month at Haslett High School for an interactive program that focuses on a global/international topic, often involving small-group discussions, panels, presentations, and personal stories. A wide range of social, cultural, economic, and political topics have been studied from international perspectives, such as hunger, gender, environment, economic development, family rituals, schooling practices, and intercultural interactions.

The 2008–09 LATTICE team was led by Director Connie Detjen from Haslett Public Schools with assistance from Norseba Uinn, a graduate student in the College of Education. LATTICE sessions are planned by a team consisting of K–12 teachers, international students, and faculty and staff from MSU’s College of Education, African Studies Center, Asian Studies Center, Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, Center for Advanced Study of International Development, and Gender, Development, and Globalization Program.

The theme for the 2008–09 year was “The Economy in a Global Perspective.” Monthly sessions focused on topics such as international perspectives on the U.S. election, economic issues, trade, children’s perspectives on money, and international films. K–12 teachers reported being profoundly affected by sessions and have followed up on many ideas in their classrooms, often in collaboration with international students they have come to know. The 2009–10 LATTICE theme is “Global Citizenship.”

LATTICE was developed in 1995 as an international education partnership linking K–12 teachers from six school districts in mid-Michigan with international graduate students/scholars at Michigan State University. Now, 14 years later, LATTICE membership includes teachers from 17 school districts, students from 63 countries, and 562 listserv subscribers.

The program is supported by CASID and MSU’s College of Education; Office of the Dean of International Studies and Programs; African Studies Center; Asian Studies Center; Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies; Gender, Development, and Globalization Program; and Graduate School, as well as 10 mid-Michigan school districts.

MSU Peace Corps Office Recruits Volunteers

In 2009, Michigan State University ranked third in the nation among large universities in producing Peace Corps volunteers. Currently, MSU has 89 Peace Corps volunteers serving around the world. Last year, MSU ranked fifth.

Since the inception of the Peace Corps in 1961, 2,151 MSU alumni have volunteered, making MSU the sixth all-time producer of volunteers among large universities. MSU also started a Master’s International Program in 2006 that allows returning Peace Corps volunteers to combine their service with graduate studies for credit. The program is linked to degrees in the Departments of Agricultural Food, and Resource Economics; Crop and Soil Sciences; and Community, Agriculture, Recreation, and Resource Studies.

For more information on the Peace Corps, visit isp.msu.edu/peacecorps. The MSU Peace Corps Recruiting Office is located in 4 International Center, East Lansing, MI 48824-1035, and can be reached at (517) 432-7474 or msppeace@msu.edu.

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from a national advisory council, the planning team designed a program that reflected the breadth and depth of the Title VI programs.

Others on the MSU planning team included Ronda Bunnell, Marita Eibl, Irem Kiyak, Tunja Kiyak, Lynn Lee, and Michael Reed.

Title VI was originally authorized as Title VI of the National Defense Education Act of 1958 as a response to the launch of Sputnik and the U.S. government’s recognition that a stronger and broader capacity in foreign language and area studies was needed. It was later incorporated into the Higher Education Act of 1965.

IEPS manages 14 international education programs, 10 of which are authorized under Title VI of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, and four are authorized under the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act (Fulbright-Hays Act) of 1961.

These 14 federally funded programs are aimed at increasing global knowledge and language competency. They also address business needs for international expertise, strengthening undergraduate education, international as well as area studies, advancement of technology use, and overall improvement of foreign language training and assessment.

Three programs that were included in the original 1958 legislation continue today as the National Resource Centers, Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowships, and International Research and Studies programs. Over time, additional programs have been added to Title VI in order to address the nation’s growing interest in international education.

Currently, MSU has five Title VI–funded centers:

- African Studies Center
- Asian Studies Center
- Center for Advanced Study of International Development and Gender, Development, and Globalization Program
- Center for International Business Education and Research
- Center for Language Education and Research

In 2006, these centers were awarded grants by the U.S. Department of Education that totaled $8.5 million. This fall, these centers will submit grant applications to compete for continued Title VI funding.

For the online proceedings of the Title VI 50th Anniversary Conference and for more photographs of the event, please visit titlevi50th.msu.edu.
PMI Humphrey Fellows Program 2009–10

Mangalika Adikari, Sri Lanka

Mangalika Adikari is additional secretary in the Ministry of Petroleum and Petroleum Resource Development and, most recently, the Ministry of Public Administration. Her major role in the field of economic development. During her Humphrey year, Adikari will undergo training in industries dealing with upstream petroleum exploration and government institutions dealing with offshore petroleum resources in the United States.

Angeline Tendai Chikwanda, Zimbabwe

Angeline Tendai Chikwanda is business development manager for Kingdom Financial Holdings Ltd.—MicroKing Finance in Zimbabwe. She secures new business, coordinates marketing activities, and designs social responsibility programs. During her Humphrey year, Chikwanda will study microfinance, roles of financial institutions in wealth redistribution, credit, and project management. She plans to work with financial institutions that offer credit and other products to gain an appreciation for the different credit risk policies and their viability.

Vasend Doraosami, Mauritius

Vasend Doraosami is director of Infinity Training Ltd., a leading business process outsourcing (BPO) company. He manages training, specializing in delivering BPO and call center training along with advising government agencies on proper training needs strategies and funding models. During his Humphrey year, Doraosami will study international trade, management, policy making, economics, and human resource management related to outsourcing businesses. He is interested in developing strategies for capacity building to supply adequately trained human resource professionals to the emerging BPO sector.

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Zaza Randriamiana, Madagascar

Zaza Randriamiana is a scientific adviser at the National Institute of Statistics in Madagascar. He is a statistician involved in the analysis of macroeconomic policies, trade and investment promotion, and poverty alleviation strategies. During his Humphrey year, Randriamiana studied policy analysis methodologies and institutional development agencies, offering assistance to different sectors. He contributed to recovery efforts following the 2004 tsunami. During his Humphrey year, Naing studied utilization of technologies for economic development, transition economies, infrastructure development, international trade, and foreign investment promotion.

Gabyoung Shim, Korea

Gabyoung Shim is deputy director for international cooperation in the Customs Service, a government agency in Korea. She is responsible for international activities relating to the World Customs Organization. She has a particular interest in preferential rules of origin and free trade agreements. During her Humphrey year, Shim studied international trade and finance, free trade agreements, customs policy, trade liberalization, corporate finance, and financial analysis.

Jean Claude Cenatus, Haiti

Jean Claude Cenatus is chief financial officer of IMON, a registered nongovernmental organization engaging in microcredit services in Tajikistan. She has expanded the microfinance services of IMON’s predecessor organizations, the National Association of Women of Tajikistan, which she helped to establish. She works with government agencies and private business women to promote economic development. During her Humphrey year, Sharipova studied public economics, microfinance, asset and liability management, and economic transitions.
Moussa Fofana, Mali

Moussa Fofana is Budget Department director for the Banque Internationale Pour Le Mali. He oversees bank expense analysis, budgeting, reporting, and training. Fofana has contributed to the development and growth of the Western Union money transfer business in Mali and to his bank’s enhanced performance by teaching marketing and commerce skills to young colleagues. During his Humphrey year, Fofana will study banking and finance with a bank in order to receive hands-on experience with the American way of management.

Manju Thapa Magar, Nepal

Manju Thapa Magar is gender equality and social inclusion specialist for the Local Government and Community Development Program in the Ministry of Local Development in Nepal. She develops gender equality and social inclusion curriculum and policies to identify suitable, cost-effective institutional mechanisms and community development approaches. As part of this, she observes companies’ implementation of CSR (Corporate Social Responsibility) activities surrounding the company to promote communities more sustainable in their health, education, economic, and general well-being. Several MSU colleges are involved, as the initiative was designed to take an interdisciplinary, holistic approach to addressing community sustainability issues. CASID serves as the administrative hub.

An overwhelming majority of Tanzanians live in rural areas and depend on agriculture and livestock for food and income, rainfall for water, and firewood for cooking—all closely tied to their rural environment. MSU’s history of collaboration with institutions and organizations in East Africa, in general—and in Tanzania, in particular—makes this country a natural launching point for a

**Partnerships for Sustainable Community Development Activities**

**Begin in Tanzania**

Editor’s note: This article is based on an article in the spring 2009 issue of Ventures, a newsletter for alumni and friends of the MSU College of Social Science.

The MSU-based Partnerships for Sustainable Community Development is an alliance of local and international organizations working together to make communities more sustainable in their health, education, economic, and general well-being. Several MSU colleges are involved, as the initiative was designed to take an interdisciplinary, holistic approach to addressing community sustainability issues. CASID serves as the administrative hub.

With an alumni donor couple providing a program initiation grant to get the Tanzania pilot program started, a multidisciplinary team of MSU faculty and staff has made several trips to the country to identify the primary pilot villages and strengthen relationships with Tanzanian partner institutions and organizations. The first anticipated project will be an enhancement to the water system in a rural village in northern Tanzania. Currently, villagers in Natolwa walk approximately five miles to their water source, and the plan is to bring water access closer to the village and schools. With enhanced access to water, the next project will be to develop an educational program that will advance agriculture and health knowledge within the schools and community and implement programming to improve animal and human health.

The Partnerships for Sustainable Community Development members are seeking to secure an anchoring endowed fund, which will allow MSU and partners to work in other countries in an integrated fashion, sustain long-term relationships with local partners in those countries, and perform follow-up evaluations to measure the long-term effects of the partnership activities.

MSU's partners for the Tanzania pilot program are the University of Dar es Salaam Institute for Resource Assessment, the Dar es Salaam University College of Education, and the Aga Khan Foundation.

For additional information on how to support CASID’s activities and the Partnerships for Sustainable Community Development, please contact Sarah Blom, senior director of development and alumni relations for the College of Social Science, at (866) 678-2005 or blom@msu.edu.

**Get Involved!**

Check out the CASID website at [casid.msu.edu](http://casid.msu.edu) to see how you can get involved in this exciting initiative.

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**Congratulations to MSU’s Student Fulbright Award Recipients**

Congratulations to the MSU students who received Fulbright awards in 2008–09.

**Institute of International Education Fulbright awardees were**

- *Marieka Brouwer, Anthropology. Preserving Hunter-Gatherer Heritage in the Rhine-Meuse and Ijssel River Basins (Netherlands).*
- *Yvette Efevbera, International Relations. Sisters Supporting Sisters (SiSfers) Girls Support Group (Uganda).*
- *Marcy Hessling, Anthropology. All Girls to School: Education and Migration in Benin.*
- *Seth Morton, English. who will teach English through an assistantship in Germany.*
- *Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research abroad awardee were* *Monica Evans, Educational Policy. Social Inclusion through Educational Policy in Brazil.*
- *Rowenn Kalman, Anthropology. Linking Environmental Stewardship to Concilience: NGOs and Communities in Andean Peru.*
- *Stephen Naumann, German Studies. In Sight and Out of Mind: Contested Memories of Poznan’s Imperial Palace (Poland).*

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**CASID Hosts Visiting Scholars**

The Center for Advanced Study of International Development, with support from the Gender, Development, and Globalization Program, hosted Kelli Lewis, RN, MSN, and Theresa Puckett, doctoral candidate, RN, CPNP, CNE, as part of the Visiting Scholar Program. They visited campus March 4–6, 2009, and met with faculty and graduate students, accessed MSU Libraries resources, and toured the School of Nursing.

Lewis, a project coordinator for the Southern Illinois Online Nursing Initiative, is working on developing a diverse applicant pool for the nursing initiative as well as informing current nurses about cultural impacts in the health care delivery system. Puckett, an assistant professor of nursing at Cuyahoga Community College, is developing curriculum on how to provide culturally competent nursing care. Both are considering developing study abroad programs at their own colleges specific to nursing programs.
Strengthening Civil Society through Dialogue on Faith and Community: U.S.-Mali Exchange Program

The two-year U.S.-Mali exchange program is a collaboration involving CASID, the Residential College in the Arts and Humanities (RCAH), and the University of Bamako. It is supported by a grant from the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the U.S. Department of State. The program provides opportunities for two 12-member delegations of religious and community leaders and university faculty from Mali to travel to the United States to learn about Muslim and Christian practice and civil society in October 2008 and July 2009 and for two five-member delegations from the United States to travel to Mali to learn about Muslim and civil society in October 2008 and July 2009. The aim is for the travel to Mali to learn about Muslim and civil society in October 2008 and July 2009 and for the travel to the United States to learn about Muslim and Christian practice and civil society in October 2008 and July 2009. The delegation to the United States is to promote the positive role of religion and are dedicated to promoting the positive role of religion. The delegation to Mali is to promote the positive role of religion. The delegation to Mali is to promote the positive role of religion. The delegation to Mali is to promote the positive role of religion.

2008 Mali Delegation Visit

The first Malian delegation visited the United States October 3–26, 2008. Programming consisted of site visits to nonprofit organizations and religious institutions in East Lansing, Dearborn, and Detroit; seminars with MSU faculty; and sessions with community and religious leaders. The visit also included a short trip to Washington, D.C. Participants also interacted with several classes of RCAH students. The delegation members were:

- Mohamed Hatim Cissé, director, Madrasa Tahzib El Isami, Tombouctou;
- Thimit Diallo, Catholic priest, Bamako;
- Amadou Keïta, professor of law and political science;
- Mahamadou Konaté, religious scholar and protector of a prominent Imam in Sikasso;
- Aminata Diarra Diallo, CARE Mali, Bamako;
- Kadiatou Keïta M’Baye, Association for the Progress and the Defense of the Rights of Women, Bamako;
- Issa N’Diaye, professor of philosophy and former government minister of education;
- Moussa Ouane, director, National Center of the Cinema of Mali, Bamako;
- Constance Souko Sangaré, Association of Catholic Women of Mali and professor of science and technology;
- Almoustapha Sanogo, director, DAWA, a nongovernmental organization in Bamako;
- Soumila Sanoko, professor of history and geography;
- Ibrahim Traoré, professor of applied linguistics and UNESCO chair for Promotion of Culture and Peace. Some highlights of the program include:
  - A Photovoice project coordinated by MSU faculty David Cooper and Candace Keller in which program participants took pictures related to themes related to the program, such as assumptions about religious practices and the relationships between religion and public life, which served as a focal point for dialogue among the delegation members processing their experiences in Michigan;
  - Meetings with representatives from East Lansing religious institutions, including St. John’s Catholic Student Parish, All Saints Episcopal Church, University United Methodist Church, Martin Luther Chapel, and the Islamic Cultural Center;
  - Sessions with MSU faculty, including Mohammed Ayooob, James Madison College; Aisha Gessinger and Amy DeRogatis, Department of Religious Studies; Emine Evered and David Robinson, Department of History; Michael Bratton, Department of Political Science; and John Staatz, Department of Agricultural, Food, and Resource Economics;
  - Meetings at the Arab Community Center for Economic and Social Services and the American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee in Dearborn;
  - Visits with organizations in Washington, D.C., including the national office of the Council on American Islamic Relations, the Pew Center on Religion and Public Life, and the Interfaith Alliance.

2009 U.S. Delegation Visit to Mali

The first U.S. delegation visited Mali July 16–24, 2009. Stephen Esquith, RCAH dean and codirector of the exchange program, and Ann Allegra, CASID international program coordinator, traveled with the group. Four of the five delegation members participated in the October 2008 program for the Malian delegation. The delegation members were:

- Shereef Akeel, a civil and human rights lawyer who has represented Arab Americans who experienced discrimination after 9/11 and Iraqi prisoners tortured at Abu Ghraib;
- Emine Evered, assistant professor of history and core faculty member of the Muslim Studies Program, who focuses on histories of Islamic education in addition to other topics;
- Ponsella Hardaway, executive director of Metropolitan Organizing Strategy Enabling Strength, an interfaith nonprofit that organizes communities around social justice issues in Detroit;
- Austin Jackson, RCAH faculty member and core faculty member of the Muslim Studies Program, whose expertise includes writing and rhetoric, cultural studies, and critical social theory;
- Davud Wald, executive director of the Michigan chapter of the Council on American-Islamic Relations, a civil rights and advocacy group, and an assistant imam at Masjid Wali Muhammad in Detroit, the first and the oldest African American Muslim congregation.

The delegation participated in an interfaith conference organized by the Malian Association for Peace and Tolerance, led by Imam Mahamadou Diallo, the president of the organization. The conference was supported by the U.S. and Danish embassies. Participants included representatives from Muslim, Catholic, and Protestant groups in Mali, as well as representatives of these religious groups from Burkina Faso, Chad, Niger, Nigeria, and Senegal. The aims of this second annual conference were to share between religions the constraints that exist in the context of mutual understanding, share teachings of the respective religions, and find ways to institutionalize dialogue for mutual tolerance and cooperation between religions and communities. Three members of the delegation gave presentations at the conference on the themes of tolerance from a religious viewpoint and principles and techniques of communication. Evered spoke about secularism in Turkey. Jackson shared information about African American Muslims and civic engagement, and Imam Walid spoke about the work of Interfaith Partners in Metropolitan Detroit, a network of faith communities. Thimoté Diallo, director, DAWA, a nongovernmental organization in Bamako, is a member of the first Malian delegation to the United States; the Grand Mosque and the Catholic Church of the Sacred Heart in Bamako, which is the parish of Thimoté Diallo, is a member of the first Malian delegation to the United States; Mothers of the Beleives, an organization for women of Mali that operates a school and a mosque and provides social services to the community, directed by Almoustapha Sanogo, a member of the first Malian delegation to the United States; the University of Bamako and the acting rector of the university, as well as Amadou Keïta, Issa N’Diaye, and Soumila Sanoko, university faculty who were part of the first Malian delegation; the Grand Mosque and the Catholic Church, the university in which the program is based, and th other topics.

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The final evening in Mali included a reception at the home of Peter Barlerin, deputy chief of mission of the U.S. Embassy. The reception included Malian delegation members who will visit the United States this October, members from the October 2008 Malian delegation, and the U.S. delegation to Mali.
Muskegon Community College’s 2009 Global Awareness Festival Focuses on Africa

In February 2009, CASID participated in the Global Awareness Festival hosted by Muskegon Community College, which focused on Africa—specifically the countries of Sierra Leone, Mali, Cameroon, Rwanda, and Lesotho. The annual festival is designed to raise awareness of global issues and features political and health panel discussions, films, music and dance performances, and presentations of artifacts.

Among this year’s presenters was Douffi Sheriff, an MSU Humphrey Fellow, who discussed women research—women's issues in a presentation entitled "The Role of Women: Urban versus Rural" to a full house. She talked about effects of the civil war in Sierra Leone on women and their work and about women's responses to the war in both rural and urban contexts.

Sheriff is acting dean of the Faculty of Business and Management Studies and acting head of the Department of Accounting at Eastern Polytechnic in Sierra Leone. She also is founder and president of a nonprofit organization that offers financial support and business planning services to women in rural areas.

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowships

CASID and the Gender, Development, and Globalization Program award graduate fellowships under the Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowships Program of the U.S. Department of Education. The FLAS Fellowships Program is designed to meet critical needs for specialists in American education, government, and other services of a public and/or professional nature who will utilize their skills in training others and in developing throughout the United States a wider knowledge and understanding of other countries and cultures.

Fellowships are awarded to graduate students enrolled in programs that combine the study of a modern foreign language with advanced training and research in international development studies. Academic-year fellowship support includes the payment of tuition and fees up to $12,000 and a stipend of $15,000. Summer fellowship support includes the payment of tuition and fees up to $4,000 and a stipend of $3,500. For information and application materials, please visit the CASID Web site at casid.msu.edu/academic/fellowships.shtml.

FLAS Fellows, Academic Year 2008–09

Kristan Elweel, Anthropology, Chichewa
Lindsey Gish, History, Wolof
Brenae Grace, Sociology, Swahili
Allison Locento, Sociology, Swahili
Jennifer Marlow, History, Polish
Joel Christian Reed, Anthropology, Portuguese
Peter Richards, Geography, Portuguese
Jairas Rinkus, Fisheries and Wildlife, Portuguese
Heather Yocum, Anthropology, Chichewa

FLAS Fellows, Summer 2009

Menna Bauman, History, Igbo
Kristan Elweel, Anthropology, Chichewa
Brenae Grace, Sociology, Swahili
Joshua Grace, History, Swahili
Melissa Hibbard, History, Polish
Rowenn Kalman, Anthropology, Quechua
John Leahy, Human Medicine, Vietnamese
Kristanna Post, Community, Agriculture, Recreation, and Resource Studies, Swahili
Peter Richards, Geography, Portuguese
Marisa Rinkus, Fisheries and Wildlife, Portuguese
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MSU Coorganizes International Symposium at Zhejiang University, China

Marietta Baba, dean of the College of Social Science, delivered a keynote address at the International Symposium on Science, Technology, and Policy for Water Pollution Control at Watershed Scale, held April 10–12, 2009, at Zhejiang University (ZJU) in Hangzhou, China.

MSU faculty who attended the symposium and gave presentations included Richard Hula, Department of Political Science; David Hyndman, Department of Geological Sciences; Dave Long, Department of Geological Sciences; Nathan Moore, Department of Geography; Tom Voice, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering; Jiaqiu Qi, Department of Geography; Jan Stevenson, Department of Zoology; and Jinhua Zhao, Departments of Economics and Agricultural Food, and Resource Economics. CASID Director Robert Glew led a session on collaborative research opportunities.

The CASID staff continues to provide administrative support for an emerging set of scholarly activities among faculty at MSU and Zhejiang University in the fields of environmental science and policy.

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Located in Zhejiang Province, ZJU is one of the top universities in China and a recognized leader in environmental science. The initiative represents a collaboration among MSU faculty from the College of Social Science, the College of Engineering, the College of Natural Science, and the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources colleagues and colleagues at ZJU.

Strengthening Governance through Enhanced Public Administration: a U.S.-China Exchange Program

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CASID Sponsors East Lansing Film Festival

The 12th annual East Lansing Film Festival (ELFF) took place March 19–26, 2009, on MSU’s campus. Since it was created in 1997 in cooperation with the City of East Lansing and Michigan State University, ELFF has been dedicated to bringing quality foreign and independent films to the state of Michigan to expose audiences to diverse cultures, ideas, and creative works.

This year, CASID sponsored the film Pray the Devil Back to Hell, which tells the story of Liberian women, Christian and Muslim, who organized protests against the civil war in their country. Dressed in white T-shirts, the women used nonviolence to win peace in 2003 after years of warfare. The film also was sponsored by MSU’s African Studies Center and Gender, Development, and Globalization Program.

Attendees at the symposium held at Zhejiang University

Marietta Baba, dean of the College of Social Science, meets with faculty from Zhejiang University and MSU during an April 2009 visit to China.

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The grant will support research collaboration with a visiting scholar on ethnicity in civil war.

Elizabeth Dresler, Anthropology
The grant will support research on impunity and insecurity in Indonesia and work with Peace and Justice and Asian Studies on collaborative research and publications.

Kyle Evered, Geography
The grant will support the study of political ecologies of poppy-producing communities in Turkey.

PeiFei Fan, Planning, Design, and Construction
The grant will support publications in two research areas: innovation in Asia and China’s sustainable urban development.

Meredith Gore, Fisheries and Wildlife and Criminal Justice
The grant will support a project to understand community motivations to illegally hunt lemurs in Madagascar and the subsequent threats to biodiversity.

Carlos Pereira, Political Science
The grant will support publication of a research project on the impact of political institutions on economic outcome in a comparative perspective.

Laura Schmitt Olabisi, Community, Agriculture, Recreation, and Resource Studies
The grant will support research on the potential of using GIS and PRA tools in planning and management of forest reserves in Malawi.

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Joseph Arvai, Community, Agriculture, Recreation, and Resource Studies
The grant will support a project to test the effectiveness of group-based payment for environmental services contracts to encourage environmental protection in Costa Rica, Tanzania, and the United States.

Somav Chaudhuri, Sociology and Criminal Justice
The grant will support research collaboration with a visiting scholar from the University of South Carolina on reconstruction and development of counter groups that prevent the formation of violent groups by comparing witch hunts in India and group-based attacks that took place during the Rwandan genocide.

John Kaneene, Epidemiology
The grant will support documentation of baseline indicators of animal and human health before water and cattle dips are provided to communities in Tanzania.

Sanja Kutnjak Ivkovich, Criminal Justice
The grant will support exploration of perceptions of justice delivered by war crimes trials and the fairness of these trials, which are conducted by local courts in Bosnia and Herzegovina and Croatia.

Xuefei Ren, Sociology
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David Skole, Forestry
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Antoinette WinklerPrins, Geography
The grant will support research collaboration with a visiting scholar from Mexico on landscape and livelihood transformation in the Michoacan state in Mexico.

Global Area and Thematic Initiative Awards

Global and Area Thematic Initiative (GATI) awards provide funding to MSU faculty to develop thematically focused, multidisciplinary interest groups that will pursue innovative curricular and research activities related to the current dynamics of globalization.

GATI supports the start up and consolidation of such groups in order to expand MSU’s prominence in international studies. GATI encourages the integration of junior faculty members’ involvement in research teams when possible. Groups must show clear potential for evolving beyond GATI-funded activities in the long run. GATI is sponsored by the Center for Advanced Study of International Development, the African Studies Center, the Center for Latin America and Caribbean Studies, and the Gender, Development, and Globalization Program, as well as International Studies Programs, the Office of the Provost, and the U.S. Department of Education.

The following projects were funded in the 2008–09 cycle:

Unsung Childhood in a Global Context: Structural Challenges to Schooling, Health, and Well-Being among World Indigenous Children
DeBrenna Agbenyiga, Social Work

Democratization, and Conflict in the Niger Delta
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CASI D International Development Grant Program Awards

CASID’s competitive International Development Grant Program (IDGP) is intended to support select MSU faculty members’ efforts to engage in international development activities in social science and related disciplines. IDGP grant recipients must work to develop and promote collaboration in the areas of teaching, research, and/or engagement.

CASID Supports Midwest Institute for International/Intercultural Education’s Summer Workshops

The Midwest Institute for International/Intercultural Education (MIIE) 2009 summer workshops—Global Poverty and Inequality, held August 3–7, and Global Food, Water, and Energy, held August 10–14—offered faculty from postsecondary institutions an intensive learning environment in which to discuss ways to internationalize the curriculum at their home institutions.

MIIE is a self-funded consortium of two-year colleges based at Kalamazoo Valley Community College. Its primary objective is to support curriculum and professional development by organizing curriculum workshops, fall and spring conferences, and overseas projects for faculty and students and by providing assistance with grant development, faculty mentoring, and professional networking.

In addition to CASID, the forum was sponsored by the MSU’s African Studies Center, Asian Studies Center, and Gender, Development, and Globalization Program.

CASID Co-sponsors Energy Forum for State Legislators

A collaborative forum for state legislators and policy makers, Michigan’s Critical Infrastructure: Energy, was held May 27, 2009. MSU faculty and a Michigan Public Service Commission legislative liaison presented research on domestic and international energy-related fronts, energy independence, environmental stewardship, and job and economic growth.

The forum examined current and future energy needs, how energy industries are stimulating job growth, and what Michigan policy makers should consider in writing energy policy in a global world. Panelists then discussed specific policy recommendations for state legislators.

Panelists included Bruce Dale, professor of chemical engineering and materials science, MSU; Ken Rose, senior fellow, Institute of Public Utilities, MSU; Greg White, legislative liaison for the Michigan Public Service Commission within the Michigan Department of Energy, Labor, and Economic Growth; and Satish Udpa, MSU College of Engineering dean and professor of electrical and chemical engineering.

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CASID Cosponsors International Business Institute for Community College Faculty

The eighth Advanced International Business Institute (IBI) for Community College Faculty was hosted by Michigan State University’s Center for International Business Education and Research (MSU-CIBER) June 7–11, 2009. The IBI is a unique faculty development program designed for community college faculty to learn how to incorporate international business skills and knowledge into their curricula. This year, more than 40 community college faculty participated in the IBI. Presentation topics included business and globalization, international finance and accounting, and strategies for internationalizing business programs. The institute also included case studies from Japan, Latin America, Brazil, the Middle East, China, Russia, Africa, and India.

For nearly two decades, MSU-CIBER has been a leader in faculty development programs on internationalization for community college faculty. Other MSU units sponsoring the IBI were University Outreach and Engagement, the Center for Advanced Study of International Development, and the Gender, Development, and Globalization Program.

The IBI also was cosponsored by CIBERs at the University of Colorado, Florida International University, George Washington University, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, University of Kansas, University of Memphis, University of Pennsylvania, University of Pittsburgh, Purdue University, University of South Carolina, Temple University, University of Texas, Texas A & M University, University of Washington, and the University of Wisconsin. Other sponsors included Lansing Community College, the League for Innovation in the Community College, and NASBITE International.

New Staff Member Joins CASID

Ashley Green is CASID’s new assistant coordinator of the Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program, which brings mid-career professionals from developing countries to MSU for a year of graduate-level studies and professional development. She will manage the program’s day-to-day operations.

Green has a diverse background in student affairs, including experience in advising, project management, program planning, outreach, teaching, and mentoring. Prior to joining CASID, she served as assistant director of career services at Grand Valley State University as well as career program manager and adjunct career instructor in MSU’s Eli Broad College of Business. Green, who also brings experience in admissions, multicultural affairs, and TRIO programs, is committed to helping all students have a successful and positive educational experience.

Green currently is working on her doctoral degree in educational leadership with a concentration in higher education from Western Michigan University. She has a master’s degree in higher education from the University of Toledo and a bachelor’s degree in psychology from MSU.