For the Week of March 2nd, 2009:

Thursday, March 5th
“So You Want to Involve Communities? Approaches and Experiences of Community Natural Resources Management in Malawi”
African Studies Center Brown Bag
Speaker: Leo Zulu, Geography, Michigan State University
12:00pm - 1:00pm, 303 International Center

Friday, March 6th
“Green Building Movement in the USA and India”
CASID/WID Friday Forum
Speaker: Matt Syal, Department of Construction Management, Michigan State University
12:00pm - 1:00pm, 201 International Center

“Recent Discoveries of the Indus Civilization in Pakistan and India: New Discoveries and Revised Histories”
Indian Studies Lecture
Speaker: Jonathon Mark Kenoyer, Anthropology, University of Wisconsin-Madison
5:30pm - 7:00pm, International Center Library

International Coffee Hour
Sponsored by OISS
4:00pm - 6:00pm, Spartan Rooms, International Center Food Court

For the Week of March 9th, 2009:

There are no activities scheduled for the week of Spring Break!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thursday, March 19th: “Livelihood and Urban Poverty Reduction in Ethiopia: Perspectives from Small and Big Towns”
Speaker: Tegegne GebreEgziabher, Faculty, Geography Department, Addis Ababa University
12:00pm - 1:00pm, 201 International Center

Friday, March 20th: “Schooling Muslim Girls in Late Ottoman Empire and Early Turkish Republic”
Speaker: Emine Evered, Department of History, Michigan State University
12:00pm - 1:00pm, 201 International Center

Tuesday, March 24th: “Raunch Culture, Society, and Feminism”
Speaker: Ariel Levy, Author of Female Chauvinist Pigs: Women and the Rise of Raunch Culture
6:30pm - 8:00pm, Gold Room B, MSU Union Building

Monday, March 30th: “What are the views on gender from various religions?”
Speakers: Jyotsna Singh, English Department, Michigan State University
Kali Majumdar, Anthropology Department, Ferris State University
7:00pm - 8:00pm, C-103 Holmes Hall
FULBRIGHT FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The Fulbright Program funds students, faculty, and other professionals to undertake graduate study, advanced research, and teaching at all levels—elementary, secondary, and university—in more than 140 countries. Most grantees plan their own programs. Projects may include university coursework, independent library, or field research, classes in a music conservatory, or art school, special projects in the social or life sciences, or some combination. The grants pay for air travel, a monthly living stipend, health and accident insurance, and, in some cases, tuition waivers and research allowance.

The MSU Office of International Studies and Programs cordially invites faculty, graduate students, and seniors graduating in 2010 to attend the Fulbright Scholarship Program Informational Workshops

* GRADUATING SENIORS WORKSHOP ~ Thursday, April 2, 2009, 303 International Center, 5:00pm – 7:00pm
* GRADUATE STUDENTS WORKSHOP ~ Tuesday, April 7, 2009, 303 International Center, 5:00pm – 7:00pm
* FACULTY SCHOLARS WORKSHOP ~ Monday, April 6, 2009, 303 International Center, 2:00pm – 4:00pm

To attend a workshop, please register by contacting: Kathy Riel at 355-2350 or e-mail riel@msu.edu. To learn more about the Fulbright Program, contact: Professor Frank M. D’Itri, the MSU Fulbright Program Advisor, at ditri@msu.edu. Participants will be informed about the objectives, requirements, and deadlines for each program, as well as how to: 1) develop a more competitive application; 2) select a host country; and 3) make necessary host-country contacts. Fulbright Fellowships are prestigious and career-enhancing. They confer special status on winners during and following their foreign study, as outstanding, officially recognized representatives of the United States.

Faculty/Professional Programs
1) Fulbright Scholar Program - Deadline is August 1, 2009
2) Fulbright-Hays Faculty Research Abroad Program - Deadline is November 1, 2009

Graduating Senior/Graduate Student Programs
1) Fulbright U.S. Student Program - Deadline is September 24, 2009
2) Fulbright-Hays DDRA Program - Deadline is November 1, 2009

THE CENTER FOR LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN STUDIES (CLACS) SCHOLARSHIP FOR UNDERGRADUATE STUDY ABROAD

The deadline for applications is Friday, March 14, 2009. The competition is open to undergraduate students enrolled in the Latin American, and Caribbean Studies Undergraduate Specialization and/or the Global and Areas Studies—Latin America and Caribbean major. Applicants must have an overall GPA of 3.0 or higher. The scholarships may be used to defray the costs of an MSU sponsored study abroad program in Latin America or the Caribbean during summer or fall semester, 2008.

Financial need is not a factor in awarding these scholarships. Scholarships for variable amounts ranging from $200 - $400 will be awarded to recipients. More information is available at http://www.isp.msu.edu/clacs

INTERNATIONAL AGRICULTURE & SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Program Description:
The IASD program is designed for planners, project or program coordinators and specialized staff at various levels of decision-making within international agencies, governmental and non-governmental organizations engaged in rural and agricultural development activities. The program will also be of interest to graduate students and social scientists specializing in rural and agricultural development as project and program advisors. The content and focus of the program is suited for those with some previous international development experience.

Program Components
- Overview of major development strategies guiding investments of the past 50 years
- Dynamics of major agriculture and rural livelihood systems
- Macro agricultural policy environment and farm level impacts
- Organization of agricultural markets and trade
- Technological innovation and social change
- Project and program identification, design and management
- Social and environmental impact assessment
- Benefit-cost analysis and project appraisal
- Monitoring and evaluation
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AFRICA PAST & PRESENT PODCAST
“Africa Past and Present” is a podcast about history, culture, and politics in Africa hosted by Michigan State University historians Peter Alegi and Peter Limb. It is produced by MATRIX - The Center for Humane Arts, Letters, and Social Sciences Online at MSU http://www.matrix.msu.edu. Listen and subscribe to the biweekly podcast at: http://afripod.aodl.org/

DOW CHEMICAL HONG KONG-MICHIGAN SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM 2009-2010
(HKUST) is designed for dissertation research or post PhD research for US citizens or permanent residents who have graduated from a Michigan University within the past three years. One person will be selected from a Michigan University
The fields of study are broad and include: Environment, Energy, Sustainability, Education, Science and Technology. In this first year of this scholarship, there appears to be considerable flexibility. Priority will be given to proposals that relate to East Asia, China in particular

The stipend is modeled after the Fulbright grant and is valued around $35,000. Application deadline is March 31, 2009. Note the application form (available at http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/hkac/mainframe.html), requires a proposal for the research to be undertaken in HK

INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES FOR DEVELOPMENT 2009 LECTURE SERIES
This series is presented by the Department of Telecommunication, Information Studies, and Media to mark its new teaching and research emphasis on the role of information and communication technologies in facilitating positive economic, social, and political change. All lectures are from 12:00pm -1:00pm, 191 Communication Arts & Sciences Building (Deeb Conference Room)

Speaker: Jenna Burrell, Assistant Professor, School of Information, UC Berkeley

March 18th: “Using Information and Communication Technologies for Peace and Reconciliation”
Speaker: Michael Best, Assistant Professor, School of Interactive Computing and Sam Nunn, School of International Relations, Georgia Tech

April 1st: “Information Technologies and Computing for Socio-Economic Development”
Speaker: Kentaro Toyama, Assistant Managing Director, Microsoft Research India (Bangalore), and leader of Microsoft’s Technology for Emerging Markets group

CLACS CALL FOR STUDENT PRESENTATION PROPOSALS
Deadline: Friday, March 14, 2009 (late submissions will be considered) for the 5th Annual CLACS Undergraduate Conference which will take place April 16-17, 2008. Undergraduate students may submit an individual presentation proposal or organize a panel. Please visit the CLACS website for more information: http://www.isp.msu.edu/clacs

STUDY ABROAD
Summer 2009 Study Abroad in Brazil:
Development in Latin American and the Caribbean
If you are interested in the program, contact:
Professor Zoninsein at zoninsei@msu.edu
Fellowships for Dissertation Research & Completion
The Gender, Justice, and Environmental Change (GJEC) Program, in the Center for Gender in Global Context (GenCen), is pleased to announce two new fellowships for MSU graduate students for the 2009-10 academic year

**GJEC Dissertation Research Fellowship**
Eligibility for Dissertation Research Fellowship: Ph.D. 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 on the gender dimensions of environmental and/or agricultural change

**GJEC Dissertation Completion Fellowship**
Eligibility for Dissertation Completion Fellowship: Ph.D. students at MSU who have completed all requirements for their degree program including dissertation research. Applicants’ dissertations must focus on gender or other social inequalities as they relate to environmental and/or agricultural change. Funding must be used during the 2009-10 academic year. Applications and complete details are available online at http://www.gjec.msu.edu/home.htm

Submit completed application and supporting documents by **April 17, 2009** to: Kate Patch, GenCen Specialist Advisor, Gender, Justice, and Environmental Change Program, c/o Center for Gender in Global Context, 206 International Center, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI 48824, E-mail: gencenad@msu.edu, Tel: 517-353-5040, Fax: 517-432-4845