Week of January 15

January 15

Symposium on Global Change and Agroecosystems: Challenges and Opportunities
8:30 a.m. – 5:45 p.m.
BIOMEDICAL AND PHYSICAL SCIENCES (BPS) 1410
Sponsor: MSU AgBioResearch & the MSU Environmental Science and Policy Program

Event Details: The objective of this symposium is to initiate discussion about current challenges and opportunities in global change and agroecosystems. Anthropogenic influence on the frequency, severity, and spread of crop disease is an emerging theme in global change research. There are many anthropogenic stressors that impact crop health, including globalization of pathogens and hosts, and land-use and land-cover changes. In addition, we must consider the impacts of long-term climate stressors, like elevated temperatures and atmospheric gases, with short-term events, like drought and flood. When these factors are compounded, atypical agroecosystem responses may emerge. Thus, anthropogenic influences and climate changes together present a major challenge for projecting future crop health.

Please register by January 12 at: https://events.anr.msu.edu/Global-Change/
Speakers: Lisa Ainsworth, USDA-ARS & University of Illinois
Karen A. Garrett, University of Florida Jen Lau, Michigan State University Kellogg Biological Station Cynthia Rosenzweig, National Aeronautics and Space Administration
Contact: Symposium organizer Ashley Shade (shade.ashley@gmail.com)

January 16

ESPP Colloquia: Sustainable Food Systems in Developing Countries
2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Location: TBA
Sponsor: ESPP. Moderated by Christina Azodi, Plant Biology and ESPP

Event Details: Karen Garrett is a professor at the University of Florida and founded their Institute for Sustainable Food Systems. She works on evaluating new food systems platforms to determine if they are having a positive impact after considering socioeconomic and biophysical factors. Cynthia Rosenzweig is a project lead at NASA’s Goddard Institute and a professor of EnvSci at Barnard
January 19

NARRATIVE APOLOGETICS AND JEWISH OBSERVANCE: THE SABBATH, ONCE MORE
10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Wells Hall B-243
Sponsor: Jewish Studies

Event Details: Dr. Steve Weiland will present a paper, “Narrative Apologetics and Jewish Observance: The Sabbath, Once More.” He considers journalist Judith Shulevitz and her acclaimed book, The Sabbath World: Glimpses of a Different Order of Time. She offers a vivid historical and autobiographical account of the Sabbath and what it means today, including the impact of technology on Jewish practices.

MSU Social Justice Art Festival
12:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Snyder Hall
Sponsors: James Madison College, Residential College in the Arts And Humanities, College of Arts and Letters, College of Communication Arts and Sciences, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Office for Inclusion and Intercultural Initiatives, Neighborhood Student Success Collaborative, MSU Division of Student Affairs and Services and MSU Residential and Hospitality Services, and MSU Residence Education and Housing Services

Event Details: Head to Snyder-Phillips on January 19th for a day-long festival featuring a variety of student artworks centered on social justice issues. It will be a day of contemplation and connection toward building a more inclusive MSU community.

Keynote Speaker: Sam White, Founder and Director of Shakespeare in Detroit

Register for the event on Eventbrite: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/msu-social-justice-art-festival-tickets-38399359518

Like the event on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/events/1473842369330150/

College. She heads the Climate Impacts Group at NASA, which investigates the interaction of climate change/variability on food systems.

Please contact Karessa Weir at weirkare@msu.edu with any questions.

Job Talk – Imperial China
4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
255 Old Horticulture Building
Sponsor: Department of History

January 17

Religion, Ethics, and Climate Change
7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
303 International Center
Sponsors: Digital Islamic Studies, Department of Religious Studies, MSU Muslim Studies Program, U-M Islamic Studies Program, U-M International Institute, U-M Center for Middle Eastern and North African Studies

Event Details: This lecture will be live streamed from MSU and presented at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

Speaker: Jonathan Brockopp, associate professor of history and religion at Penn State University

January 18

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255 Old Horticulture Building
Sponsor: Department of History
BETWEEN THE SHEETS: SEX IN JEWISH CULTURE
7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
255 Old Horticulture
Sponsor: Jewish Studies

Event Details: In this talk, Dr. Ted Merwin, Associate Professor of Judaic Studies at Dickinson College, argues that Judaism’s characterization as a “worldly” religion in which the pleasures of the body are openly celebrated goes only part of the way to explain the ubiquitous nature of erotic themes in American Jewish culture. Tracking the use of sexual themes in an array of films, TV shows and stand-up routines—ranging from Eddie Cantor’s Whoopee and Philip Roth’s Portnoy’s Complaint to “The Contest” episode of Seinfeld and the audacious comedy of Sarah Silverman and Sacha Baron Cohen — Dr. Merwin will plumb the depths of the interest in sex in American Jewish popular entertainment to suggest that Jews opened a space for themselves in America partly through their unusual frankness and openness about sexuality.

Muslim Journeys Book Club—A Golden Age by Tahmima Anam
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
MSU Main Library (Green Room), 4th Floor
Sponsors: Muslim Studies Center, Islamic Society of Greater Lansing and the Interfaith Clergy Association of Greater Lansing

Event Details: Muslim Journeys Book Club—A Golden Age by Tahmima Anam, led by Cara Cilano (MSU Dept of English)
Join us for a new Muslim Journeys scholar-led book discussion series. This year we will be reading from a variety of genres on the pressing topics of racism, war, and genocide. Participants are encouraged to read the book ahead of time.

African Tea Time
4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Room 303, International Center
Sponsor: African Studies Center

Event Details: African Tea Times are an opportunity to learn and share about first-hand experiences on the African continent. The tea times open to everyone. This week will focus on Botswana and Tanzania.

Broad Study Abroad Fair
11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
1st floor - Business Center Complex
Sponsor: Office for Education Abroad

Event Details: Come check out the MSU education abroad programs and resources at the 2018 Broad Study Abroad Spring fair!

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Sponsor: Department of History

Week of January 22

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Immigration: Keeping the Welfare State Solvent in the Face of Demographic Collapse.
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Kellogg Center, Lincoln Room
219 S. Harrison Road

Event Details: The LeFrak Forum and Symposium on Science, Reason & Modern Democracy in association with the Reason Foundation present a lecture by Professor Jack Goldstone titled “Immigration: Keeping the Welfare State Solvent in the Face of Demographic Collapse.”

Jack Goldstone is the Virginia E. and John T. Hazel Professor of Public Policy. Dr. Goldstone has worked extensively on forecasting global conflict and terrorism, and with the US Agency for International Development and the World Bank on providing democracy assistance to fragile states. His recent essay in Foreign Affairs, “The New Population Bomb” has received world-wide attention.

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Education Abroad Information Sessions

**English Literature in London Summer 2018**
Thursday, 18 Jan 2018  
5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
C608 Wells Hall

**Broad Study Abroad Fair**
Thursday, 25 Jan 2018  
11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
1st floor - Business Center Complex  
Event Details: Come check out the MSU education abroad programs and resources at the 2018 Broad Study Abroad Spring fair!
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Announcements

Delia Koo Faculty Endowment Awards
Deadline: January 17, 2018
The Asian Studies Center encourages all center-affiliated faculty to submit applications for teaching, research, or outreach. Conference funding is also available for faculty. More information on the Dr. Delia Koo Endowment Awards and the applications can be found at: http://asia.isp.msu.edu/resources/funding/
Please submit completed applications by email to Siddharth Chandra (chandr45@msu.edu) and Julie Hagstrom (jhagstro@msu.edu).

2018 Michigan Japanese Language Speech Contest
Deadline: January 26, 2018
The Consulate General of Japan in Detroit is pleased to announce that applications are now being accepted for the 2018 Michigan Japanese Language Speech Contest. The competition, now in its 23rd consecutive year, was established to encourage students to experience the power of foreign language communication, increase the desire for Japanese language students to improve their skills and understanding and strengthen the bond of friendship between the U.S. and Japan through their efforts. For questions please contact Mr. Adam Wolf at the Consulate office (313-567-0120 ext. 226, or Adam.wolf@dt.mofa.go.jp)

TROPOS JOURNAL - Call for Submissions
Deadline: January 19th, 2018
The editorial board of TROPOS Journal, a peer reviewed annual online publication by the graduate students of the Department of Romance and Classical Studies at Michigan State University, invites paper submissions for its next issue (No. 41) to be published in spring 2018.
Migrations and Borders in Films, Literature, and Media in Romance Languages
We welcome academic contributions in English, French or Spanish in the fields of Romance Studies including literary studies, cultural studies, visual arts, film and media studies, gender studies, and linguistics. Publication decisions are based solely on the quality of the submissions and may be accepted with or without revisions. Essays that have been published elsewhere will not be considered.
Send your submissions to gsatropo@msu.edu
For submission guidelines, please visit: http://www.rcs.msu.edu/graduate/tropos/journal/

S.C. Lee Scholarship
Deadline: February 2, 2018
The Asian Studies Center announces the Shao Chang Lee Scholarship and Paper competition. The S.C. Lee Scholarship fund was established by friends and colleagues of the late Professor Lee to provide scholarship awards for undergraduate students enrolled at MSU who have made outstanding accomplishments in Asian studies and are pursuing or planning to pursue a program that includes Asian studies. The S.C. Lee Best Paper competition makes awards for undergraduate and graduate students for research papers focusing on Asian topics.
Announcements

Dr. Charles A. and Marjorie A. Gliozzo Endowed Scholarship for Domestic and International Internships
Deadline: March 1, 2018
The Dr. Charles A. and Marjorie A. Gliozzo Endowed Scholarship for Domestic and International Internships provides financial support for undergraduate MSU students to participate in approved accredited internship programs. Applicants must be MSU undergraduate students with an overall GPA of 3.0 or higher at the time of application and accepted into an internship program as described below. Applicants must also be undergraduates at the time of the internship. There may be additional eligibility criteria that students need to meet in order to receive credit.
The internship in which they participate:
• Must be credit granting and approved by a MSU college
• Must be on-site conducting the internship for 4 weeks minimum to one year maximum
• Must take place during summer 2018, fall 2018, and/or spring 2019.
• May be domestic or international
• May be in tandem with any MSU education abroad program
• May be affiliated with the US State Department, other governmental agencies, multinational organizations, or the private sector
Financial need is not a factor in awarding this scholarship. To be considered, submit your application, essay and one letter of academic reference to the MSU Office for Education Abroad no later than March 1, 2018. Scholarships for variable amounts ranging from $500 to $1500 will be awarded to recipients. If you have questions about the application process or award, contact Lynn Aguado, MSU Office for Education Abroad, 517-353-8920 or aguado@msu.edu.

Drs. Yash P. and Saroj Kapur Endowed Scholarship for Independent Study in India
Deadline: March 1, 2018
The Drs. Yash P. and Saroj Kapur Endowed Scholarship for Independent Study in India provides financial support for MSU students to participate in independent study in India for which they are receiving academic credit at MSU. Applicants must be MSU students with an overall GPA of 2.0 or higher at the time of application, plan to participate in an independent internship in India, arrange for credit with their MSU college, and cannot have traveled to India before the independent study or have family living in India. There may be additional eligibility criteria that students need to meet in order to receive credit.
The independent study in which they participate:
• Must be in India
• Must be credit granting and approved by a MSU college
• Must take place during summer 2018, fall 2018, and/or academic year 2018-19.
• May not be in tandem with an MSU study abroad program
• May be affiliated with the US State Department, other governmental agencies, multinational organizations, or the private sector
Financial need is not a factor in awarding this scholarship.
To be considered, submit your application, essay and one letter of academic reference to the MSU Office for Education Abroad no later than Thursday, March 1, 2018, for summer 2018, fall 2018 and academic year 2018-19. Scholarships for variable amounts to support on-site costs will be awarded to recipients. If you have questions about the application process or award, contact Lynn Aguado, MSU Office for Education Abroad, 517-353-8920 or aguado@msu.edu.
William McCagg Memorial Paper Contest 2017-2018 Competition
Deadline: Friday, February 2, 2018
The Paper Contest award is given in memory of William McCagg, a historian and educator who specialized in Central and Eastern Europe. Dr. McCagg was Director of the Russian and East European Studies Program at Michigan State University where he taught for 30 years.
The contest is administered by the Center for European, Russian and Eurasian Studies (CERES). Selection of winners is determined by the center’s faculty advisory committee, which will review and then rank the papers. Papers may be submitted which contain a significant European, Russian or Eurasian component. Awards will be given at both the undergraduate and graduate levels in each category.
For more information, see: http://dev.ceres.isp.msu.edu/students/student-resources/mccagg-student-paper-contest/

Michigan - Japan Highschool Science Exchange Program
Phase 1: Applications due February 12, 2018
Phase 2: Selected applicants must attend an MSU campus event on March 31, 2018
Phase 3: Finalists will be notified in April 2018
Dates for study tour: July 23 - August 12, 2018
Sixteen current high school tenth and eleventh graders from Michigan and Japan will join together for a rigorous nuclear science and peace education cultural exchange featuring 10 days at MSU and surrounding areas, followed by 10 days in Japan. The program will be a unique blend of science and the humanities as American and Japanese students explore nuclear science, policy, and history. Students, with guidance from MSU faculty, will work together to create museum exhibits to be featured in Michigan and Japanese museums.
This program is generously funded by the United States-Japan Foundation and the Asian Studies Center at Michigan State University.
To apply please visit asia.isp.msu.edu/mjexchange
For more information please contact Jennifer Pippin at pippinj1@msu.edu.
https://glp.earth/news-events/jobs/graduate-research-assistantships-michigan
FOREIGN LANGUAGE & AREA STUDIES

Undergraduate and Graduate Language Fellowships for 2018-19

2017 summer awards for undergraduate and graduate students up to $7,500
Undergraduate academic year awards up to $15,000
Graduate academic year awards up to $33,000

The Center for Advanced Study of International Development (CASID) and the Center for Gender in Global Context are awarding U.S. Department of Education FLAS Fellowships to support language study for students interested in fields related to development, such as global food and agriculture, the environment, livelihood strategies related to economics and/or governance, education or health disparities, conflict and conflict resolution, human rights, identity and representations. For more information, visit the CASID website, http://casid.isp.msu.edu/research-and-funding/flas/, or contact Jennifer Brewer at brewer13@isp.msu.edu.

Applications due February 9, 2018

- Arabic
- Chinese
- French
- Hindi
- Indonesian
- Japanese
- Korean
- Portuguese
- Russian
- Swahili
- Spanish
- Thai
- Zulu