For the Week of November 15th, 2009:

Sunday, November 15th

“Global Festival”
International Education Week
An afternoon of international involvement, featuring exhibits, performances and demonstrations by MSU nationality clubs; the world gift shop; international cuisine; and international games for children.
12:00pm-5:00pm, MSU Union

Monday, November 16th

“An Introduction to MSU’s Human Research Protection Program (IRB)”
The Institute for Research on Teaching and Learning (IRTL)
Speakers: Members of MSU’s IRB (Institutional Review Boards) Office
The session is an interactive opportunity to learn more about the IRB process, and to ask questions specific to individual interests. Please contact Amy Jamison, jamisona@msu.edu, to register for the session.
10:00am-11:00am, 252 Erickson Hall

“Killing Kasztner (Film)”
MSU Library and MSU Jewish Studies
7:00pm, W449 N. Conference Room, Main Library

Tuesday, November 17th

“Taking Your Business Global Through Foreign Partners”
Global Business Club of Lansing
Speaker: Andrew Mangan, Executive Director, United States Business Council for Sustainable Development
To register, contact Beverly Wilkins at wilkinsb@msu.edu or (517) 353-4336.
12:00pm, 106-107 Henry Center

Wednesday, November 18th

“Going Global Fair”
International Education Week
MSU student groups engaged in international activities and causes will set up displays explaining their project goals.
11:00am-2:00pm, International Center Lobby

“Fair-traded, Organic-Certified Beans Produced by Smallholders in Honduras”
CLACS Seminar Series
Speaker: Rick Bernsten, Department of Agricultural, Food, and Resource Economics
3:00pm, 201 International Center

“Understanding the ‘Culture of Science’ and ‘Culture in Science’”
International Education Week
Speaker: Bruce LaBrack, Founder and partner of International Training Group
This session will outline why culture continues to matter even in what is supposedly a value neutral context.
3:00pm-5:00pm, Spartan Room B, International Center

“Peace Corps Information Meeting”
Life is Calling. How far will you go?
6:00pm, 303 International Center

Thursday, November 19th

“World Wise Expo”
International Education Week
Area studies, thematic centers and American cultural programs will host tables to discuss specializations.
11:00am-2:00pm, International Center Lobby
Friday, November 20th
“Interculturalism at Home and Abroad”
International Education Week
Speaker: Bruce LaBrack, Founder and partner of International Training Group
This session will explore the interrelated perspectives and intercultural interactions associated with international and multicultural ways of living and learning.
8:30am-10:30am, Spartan Room C, International Center

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

For the Week of November 23rd, 2009:

Thursday, November 26th
Happy Thanksgiving to everyone from CASID!
University Closed

GRANT OPPORTUNITIES
Fulbright Fellowship Opportunities
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.

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 allowances.

The approximate application submission deadlines for selected Fulbright Fellowship Programs for the 2010-2011 academic year are:
MSU Fulbright-Hays DDRA application submission deadline: November 24, 2009
Fulbright-Hays DDRA National application submission deadline: December 1, 2009

AWARDS
MSU All University Excellence in Diversity Recognition and Annual Awards Program (EIDA)
Nomination Submission Deadline: November 16, 2009
Since 1990, the EIDA has recognized and rewarded efforts that encourage and support an environment where diversity and inclusion are valued.

Members of the MSU Community participate by nominating individuals, units and organizations whose efforts reach the level of excellence essential to making MSU a welcoming and inclusive community. Award Categories are: Emerging Progress; Sustained Effort Toward Excellence in Diversity; Excellent Progress toward Achieving Diversity and Pluralism; Advancing Global Competency; Lifetime Achievement; Diversity and Inclusion: Student Expressions.

Nomination packets, artistic entry forms and details about the program are available on the EIDA website at http://www.inclusion.msu.edu/aida. Please direct any questions to the EIDA Program Office, located in 110 Olds Hall or call (517) 432-8384.

Friday, November 27th
University Closed
2009 Rita S. Gallin Award for the Best Graduate Paper on Women and International Development
Submission Deadline: December 18, 2009
The Center for Gender in Global Context invites you to submit a paper for its annual graduate student paper competition. The paper should have been written within the past year, should be approximately twenty double-spaced pages in length, and should focus on issues related to women, gender, international development, and globalization.

Papers will be reviewed by a faculty committee, and the award will be presented at the annual GenCen Open House in January. The winning paper may be peer reviewed for publication in the GPID Working Paper Series or on the GenCen website. Authors will receive a $200.00 prize.

Papers should be submitted to the GenCen office via email (in Word or WordPerfect) at gencen@msu.edu or by mail (both hard copy and on diskette/CD). Please indicate you are submitting the paper for the Graduate Paper Competition and be sure to include a contact phone number and email address. More information can be found at http://www.gencen.msu.edu.

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SPRING 2010 COURSE ANNOUNCEMENTS
ACR 848 (formerly RD 823)
“Community-Based Natural Resource Management in Developing Countries”
Instructor: John Kerr, Department of CARRS
Wednesdays, 4:10pm - 7:00pm
This course analyzes rural natural resource management in developing countries, focusing on the factors that lead to natural resource outcomes, e.g. conservation, productivity, and income distribution. The course begins with a look at how human and natural systems interact, then addresses a variety of issues that influence natural resource management including people’s perceptions of the natural resource scarcity, poverty and population density, tenure security, property rights regimes, collective action and its determinants, and governance. It also examines policy tools for promoting conservation where benefits are off-site.

ACR 838 “Participatory Modes of Inquiry”
Instructors: Kimberly Chung & Laurie Thorp
Department of CARRS
Wednesdays, 3:00pm - 4:50pm
This course provides an in-depth, graduate-level exploration of the nature of participatory inquiry. The course surveys the major streams of literature that constitute the fields of participatory and action research (hereafter referred to as participatory inquiry), with particular emphasis on identifying the differences across these literatures, their worldviews, theoretical foundations, fields of application, and points of emphasis within their practice. Throughout the course students are expected to consider how the various approaches to participatory inquiry coincide or conflict with their current epistemological and methodological views. Students are asked to consider how they might incorporate participatory approaches into their personal and professional lives. The format of the course is varied and includes mini-lectures, discussion, group work, and individual and collective reflection.

The course is designed as a two-credit survey of the literature, with emphasis placed on comparison of the various approaches and understanding the practical applications of associated principles. There is no field component to the course. Students wishing to apply these concepts in a community context may include a practicum as a one-credit independent study. If interested, please contact Professor Kimberly Chung at kchung@msu.edu.
All submissions for the next issue of the CASID Current for the Fall Semester 2009 are due by 12:00pm on November 23rd. Send information to CASID, 202 International Center, ATTN: Marita Eibl; e-mail: eibl@msu.edu; telephone: (517) 884-2128; fax (517) 353-8765.

EAD 991B “Comparative Higher Education”
Instructor: Jim Fairweather, Higher, Adult, and Lifelong Education Program
Department of Educational Administration
Wednesdays, 4:10pm - 7:00pm

The course has two main purposes. The first purpose is to gain an understanding of key international higher education policy challenges and how these challenges play out in different international settings (national, institutional, in some cases regional). To assist students in making sense of these international developments, including the distinct national higher education systems in which they apply, we will also examine the American ?system? of higher education. The primary purpose here is to provide a comparative ?benchmark? for interpreting these international higher education policy themes. The second purpose is to introduce students to the methods of international comparative research in higher education, the culmination of which will be a paper comparing one or more internationals settings with the U.S. Both master’s and doctoral students are welcome. There is no prerequisite. For more information, contact Dr. Jim Fairweather, fairwea4@msu.edu.

UPCOMING EVENT
MSU Peace Corps Information Meeting
Wednesday, December 9
6:00pm - 7:30pm, 303 International Center

Peace Corps is hiring people from a broad range of fields to work internationally. This session is an opportunity to learn more about where and in what sectors Peace Corps Volunteers serve, the benefits of serving, the application process, and experiences of former Volunteers. We’ll also answer any of your own questions about this incredible opportunity to make a difference in the world. Life is calling... How far will you go?