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EVENTS



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For the Week of January 19th:

Thursday, January 22nd:

“Community Development in Rural Uganda”

African Studies Center Brown Bag

Speaker: Chris Singer, Communications
Manager, (Nyaka AIDS Orphans School,
Uganda)

12:00pm - 1:00pm, Rm 201 International
Center

Friday, January 23rd:

“Reconstructing the Third Wave of Democracy: Comparative African Democratic Politics”

CASID/WID Friday Forum

Speaker: Dr. Rita Kiki Edozie, James
Madison College, MSU

12:00pm - 1:00pm, Rm 201 International
Center

“Women in Politics: The Rhetoric of Incompetence”

GenCen Colloquia Series

Speaker: Sandra Logan

1:30pm - 3:00pm, Rm 302 International
Center

International Coffee Hour

Sponsored by OISS

4:00pm - 6:00pm, Spartan Rooms, Inter-
national Center Food Court

For the Week of January 26th:

Tuesday, January 27th:

“Indigenous Views of Our Current

Global Environmental Crises”

Canadian Studies Center Brown Bag
Luncheon Series

Speaker: Philip Bellfy, Associate Profes-
sor, American Indian Studies Program,
Writing Rhetoric and American Culture
12:00pm - 1:30pm, Rm 305 International
Center

Thursday, January 29th:

“Islam and the Legacy of Soviet Secularism”

Asian Studies Center Lecture

Speaker: Professor John Schoebelein,
Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian
Studies, Harvard University

4:00pm, Rm 303 International Center

“Natural Climate Changes in Af- rica: What Causes Them and Why Should We Care?”

African Studies Center Brown Bag

Speaker: J. Curt Stager, Paleocologist,
Duke University

12:00pm - 1:00pm, Rm. 201 International
Center

Film Series: Films of South Asia

7:00pm, B104 Wells Hall

Friday, January 30th

“Trying to Fill the Hole: Zeze Gam- boa’s O Heroi”

CASID/WID Friday Forum

Speaker: Dr. Ken Harrow, Department of
English, MSU

12:00pm - 1:00pm, Rm 201 International
Center

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4:00pm - 6:00pm, Spartan Rooms, Inter-
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship Program (FLAS) at Michigan State University

Deadline: February 16, 2009

The Center for Advanced Study of International Development (CASID) and Women and International Development Program (WID) at Michigan State University awards graduate fellowships under the Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship program of the U.S. Department of Education. The FLAS Fellowship 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. CASID/WID's FLAS 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. Fellowship support includes the payment of tuition and fees (up to \$12,000 per academic year) and a stipend of \$15,000 for the academic year. To be considered for fellowship support, you must be a citizen or national of the United States; or a permanent resident of the United States; or a permanent resident of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands. You also must have earned a baccalaureate or comparable degree before the fellowship period begins and be admitted to or currently enrolled in a graduate degree program at Michigan State University. Please contact Andrea Allen, Associate Director, CASID, at 517-884-2141 or visit the website for more information.

www.casid.msu.edu/academic/fellowships.shtml

The MSU International Predissertation Travel Awards-2009

Deadline: February 2, 2009

Applications (PDF) are being solicited for the 2009 Predissertation Travel Awards of up to \$5000. These awards are designed to provide funds for MSU Ph.D. candidates in the predissertation stage in the Colleges of Agriculture and Natural Resources (CANR), Arts and Letters (CAL), Education (ED), and Social Science (SSC) for travel outside of the United States during one or more of these semesters: Summer 2009, Fall 2009, and Spring 2010.

These awards support travel abroad to your intended dissertation research site for a minimum stay of 60 days in order to immerse yourself in the international research site; investigate the appropriateness of the research problem and methods; identify university, research institute, or NGO partners with which you will affiliate; identify collaborators or mentors in the country; increase your language profi-

ciency; and obtain letters of affiliation or sponsorship from local institutions. The program seeks to assist MSU graduate students to develop competitive dissertation proposals in national fellowship competitions of the Fulbright, NSF, SSRC, and similar programs.

Contact Patricia Lambert (lamber73@msu.edu), 355-2350 or visit <http://www.isp.msu.edu/students/funding/prediss/>

The Miller Center Fellowship Program

Deadline: February 1, 2009

This is a competitive program for individuals completing their dissertations on American politics, foreign policy and world politics, or the impact of global affairs on the United States. The program provides up to eight \$20,000 grants to support one year of research and writing. Along with the fellowship grant, the Miller Center assists the fellow in choosing a senior scholar from the field to serve as fellowship "mentor." This mentor will read the fellow's work, give research advice, and suggest relevant literature to frame the project. The Miller Center encourages applicants from a broad range of disciplines, including, but not limited to, history, political science, policy studies, law, political economy, and sociology. Applicants will be judged on the quality of their scholarly work and their potential to shed new light upon contemporary developments in American Politics, Foreign Policy, or World Politics. An applicant must be a PhD candidate who is expecting to complete his or her dissertation by the conclusion of the fellowship year. This is not a post-doctoral fellowship. Residence is strongly encouraged but is not required. All fellows are expected to participate in and contribute to the intellectual discourse at the Center. Each fellow is also expected to participate in two conferences – one in the fall and the other in May of the fellowship year. These conferences will provide a forum for presenting research and findings to the scholarly community at the Miller Center and the University of Virginia. The May conference will bring the Fellows, their Mentors, and the Miller Center and U.Va. community together to critique the Fellows' dissertation work. For more information email gage@virginia.edu or visit the website. millercenter.org/academic/gage/fellowship

STUDY ABROAD FAIR

Thinking about studying abroad? Well, now's your chance to find out why Michigan State is a national leader in study abroad!

Study Abroad Fairs are comprehensive information fairs for students (and others) interested in learning more about the many exciting study abroad opportunities available at MSU. They are held twice a year in the MSU Union.

Thursday, February 5, 2009

11:00am - 4:00pm, 2nd Floor, MSU Union

ANNOUNCEMENTS *continued*

Women`s Studies in London

This cross-disciplinary program is guided by such questions as: What influences have constructed notions of gender, race, class, nationhood, ethnicity and sexuality had on British women`s lives? What are/were British feminisms? Focus is on an overview of the British Women`s movement and selected British women writers. Many excursions within and outside of London and tickets to four plays. Six to nine credits could include modest internship and IAH course, both new, additional options. Dates: July 5-August 8, 2009.

For more information contact:

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All submissions for the next issue of the CASID Current for the Spring Semester 2009 are due by 12:00 pm on January 28. Send to CASID, 202 International Center, ATTN: Andrea Freidus; e-mail: freidusa@msu.edu; telephone: (517) 354-2131; fax (517) 353-8765.



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