Week of November 16

Tuesday, November 18

**Hindi-Urdu Chai and Chat**
Sponsor: Asian Studies Center and the India Council
5:30 p.m.—6:30 p.m., International Center, Room 302

The Hindi-Urdu Chai and Chat provides an experience to learn about the language and culture of Hindi and Urdu. Chai and other snacks will be provided. This event is open to all students and members of the public.

“Do Gender and Risk Aversion Impede Higher Returns from Fertilizer Micro-Dosing in Niger?”
Sponsor: Agriculture, Food and Resource Economics
11:50 am.—1:00 pm., 75 Morrill Hall of Agriculture

Awa Sanou, M.S. student in the Department Agriculture, Food and Resource Economics (AFRE), will speak as part of the AFRE Brown Bag Series.

Monday, November 17

**Film: Cuba: An African Odyssey (Part 1 of 2), Screening and Discussion**
Sponsor: African American and African Studies, the Charles Wright Museum Liberation Film Services and Friends of the Congo
4:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m., International Center, Room 303

*Cuba, an African Odyssey* is the previously untold story of Cuba's support for African revolutions, one of the Cold War’s most vigorous contests over resources and ideology. The film traces the pivotal role played by Cuba's international policy in helping independence struggles on the African continent beginning with Che Guevara's mission into the Congo to avenge the death of Patrice Lumumba and then Cuba’s support of Amilcar Cabral's uprising in Guinea-Bissau and Cape Verde. Panelists include: Rita Kiki (Nkiru) Edozie, MSU's Director of African American and African Studies; Errol A. Henderson, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, Pennsylvania State University; and Maurice Carney, Co-founder and Executive Director of the Friends of the Congo.

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Sponsor: Office of Study Abroad

Information meetings are an opportunity to learn about a program from the program leader, find out about applying to study abroad, ask questions and meet with fellow study abroad participants.

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**Talk on the Ethical Implications of Ebola Treatment Research**

Sponsor: Undergraduate Bioethics Society

Undergraduate Bioethics Society President Jordan Krieger will speak on the ethical implications of Ebola treatment research in relation to past outbreak studies. Food and refreshments will be provided.

**Wednesday, November 19**

**Tinker Graduate Student Field Research Panel**

Sponsor: Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies

3:00 p.m.–4:30 p.m., International Center, Room 201

Graduate students Claudia Berrios-Campos (Hispanic Cultural Studies), Kelly Birch (Sociology) and Anna Martinez (Anthropology) will present their research.

**“Technology Adoption and Decision Making”**

Sponsor: Environmental Science and Public Policy

3:30—5:00 p.m. (refreshments will be served at 3:15 p.m.), 205 Natural Science Building

Li Cheng, doctoral student in Agriculture, Food and Resource Economics will speak as part of the Environmental Science and Public Policy Research Colloquia Series. Dr. Jinhua Zhao, Professor of Economics; Dr. Joseph Hamm, Assistant Professor in Criminal Justice; and Jelili Adebiyi, doctoral student in Community Sustainability, will serve as panelists.

**Thursday, November 20**

**Film: A River Changes Course**

Sponsor: Geography and the University Activities Board

7:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m. (doors open at 6:30 p.m), B115 Wells Hall

This movie tells the story of three young Cambodians struggling to maintain their traditional way of life while the modern world closes in around them. Award-winning filmmaker and native Cambodian Kalyanee Mam will host a Q&A session after the screening.
“Dynamic Discrete Choice Estimation of Agriculture Land Use”  
Sponsor: Agriculture, Food and Resource Economics  
3:30 p.m.—5:00 p.m., 75 Morrill Hall

Paul Scott, Junior Chair (Assistant Professor), Toulouse School of Economics, will speak as part of the Agriculture, Food and Resource Economics Seminar Series.

Friday, November 21

“On the Edge of Extinction: The State of Asia’s Elephants and the Promises and Pitfalls of Elephant-Based Tourism”  
Sponsor: Animal Studies  
12:00 p.m.—1:00 p.m., 457 Berkey

Jessica Bell, doctoral student in Animal Studies, Environmental Science and Policy, and Sociology, will speak as part of the Animal Studies Friday Seminar Series.

“Climate Change and Climate Denial in Everyday Life”  
Sponsor: Center for Gender in Global Context, with Peace and Justice Studies  
12:00 p.m., International Center, Room 303

Sociologist Kari Norgaard, Professor at the University of Oregon, will speak on climate change and her book on the subject in this co-sponsored event.

Saturday, November 22

Philippine Culture Night  
Sponsor: Pilipino American Student Society  
5:00 p.m.—10:00 p.m.(performances start at 5:30), Okemos High School Cafeteria

Philippine Culture Night (PCN) is a night dedicated to celebrating Filipino culture – there will be Filipino dances, singing, other performances and Filipino food. This year, the Pilipino American Student Society will be donating the funds from PCN to Destiny Rescue, an organization that rescues children from human trafficking. Attire is snappy casual and there will be a buffet style banquet. Tickets are $6 for students and $10 for adults.

Sunday, November 23

Global Festival: Travel the World in One Day  
Sponsor: Community Volunteers for International Programs  
12:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m., MSU Union

The Global Festival offers the greater-Lansing community the chance to explore cultures from around the world. Every year, international students participate in showcasing their home country with features such as children’s games, international exhibits, and performances. During the festival, explore the World Gift Shop, which offers a variety of international art works, jewelry, glassware, clothing and multitude of gift items. Proceeds support the Community Volunteers for International Programs Scholarship Fund for spouses of international students to attend MSU classes. The Global festival is free and open to the public.

Tuesday, November 25

“Agricultural Growth in West Africa: Policy and Market Drivers”  
Sponsor: Agriculture, Food and Resource Economics  
11:50 a.m.—1:00 p.m., 75 Morrill Hall

John Staatz, Professor Emeritus in the Department of Agriculture, Food and Resource Economics will speak as part of the department’s brown bag seminar series.

Wednesday, November 26

Turkic Tea and Chat  
Sponsor: Asian Studies Center  
4:30 p.m.—6:30 p.m., International Center, Room 302

Turkic Chay (Tea) and Chat Hour (TCCH) is a free, interactive gathering established for those MSU students who are currently studying one of the Turkic languages and those who have taken Turkic language courses earlier. Baklava and tea will be served.
NEW COURSE FOR SPRING SEMESTER

The World System of Cities GEO/GUSP 816
Time: 1:00 Tuesday and Thursday 10:20 a.m. – 11:40 a.m.
Location: 321 Baker Hall

With trade liberalization decentralizing global economic activities in the 20th century, a new scale of interdependence emerged between nations and cities on a worldwide basis. The removal of trade barriers reduced the importance of national boundaries and has led to the reorganization of the mass production industrial economy. This restructuring facilitated an international division of labor—the separation of management, finance, and manufacturing—partitioning the world into specialized roles at increasing spatial distances.

This course will explore 20th century global economic restructuring and its social, economic, and political impacts on cities and their regions. A particular focus of the course will be directed to exploring the transformation of cities during the 20th century—ranging from social, economic, and political reorganization to the changing requirements in urban infrastructure and the changing form of the urban-built environment.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON GENDER AND EDUCATION

Critical Issues, Policy and Practice
Indiana University-Bloomington, IN
May 28-30

The International Conference on Gender and Education aims to engage researchers, academics and policy makers in discussions and debates concerning the interplay between gender related issues and educational dynamics. This conference will explore the consequences and reflections of hierarchical structures in organizational settings, societal resistance involving gender issues, the politics of gender inequality, and gender dimensions of laws and gendered aspects of cultural norms and values that intersect with education.

The conference is organized by the London Centre for Social Studies (LCSS) in collaboration with the School of Education-Indiana University-Bloomington, Centre for Gender in Global Context (GENCEN)-Michigan State University and Department of Law-Gediz University.

Abstracts for submission should be up to 500 words and are due December 10. For more information, please see: http://socialstudies.org.uk/events/detail/16404/international-conference-on-gender-and-education-c