Week of February 12

February 12

Do Human Rights Matter and Why Should We Care?
11:45 a.m. - 1:45 p.m.
MSU Law, Castle Board Room
Sponsor: College of Law

Event Details: Next part of the Talsky Center Lecture Series and Symposia. Speaker: Beth Simmons, Professor in Law and Political Science, University of Pennsylvania Law School. Lunch will be held at 11:30 a.m.

“The Empire’s Little Sisters: Labor and Emotion in Wartime Japan”
12:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.
MSU Museum Auditorium
Sponsors: School of Human Resources and Labor Relations

Event Details: The Our Daily Work/Our Daily Lives program presents speaker Ellen Schattschneider, Departments of Anthropology and History. The Our Daily Work/Our Daily Lives program is a cooperative project that focuses on the cultural traditions of workers, workplaces as contexts for the expression of workers’ culture, and the diversity of historical and artistic presentations of workers’ lives.

Dara Lind, Senior Reporter, Vox.com, lecture “American backlash: Why the anxiety over immigration is so powerful”
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Kellogg Center, Lincoln Room
Sponsors: The LeFrak Forum

Event Details: The LeFrak Forum and Symposium on Science, Reason, & Modern Democracy in association with the Reason Foundation present Dara Lind, Senior Reporter, Vox.com, who will deliver a lecture titled “American Backlash: Why the anxiety over immigration is so powerful.” Dara Lind’s lecture will address the following: Anti-immigration backlash is properly understood as a response not to broader economic or even demographic trends, but to events — and the media attention that ensues. It’s powerful because it taps into anxiety that American values are being upended or disrespected by those coming in; it’s hard to accommodate by a liberal political consensus, or by legislative deal-making, because it exposes the harsh truth that the things one values most about America aren’t always compatible with the things that the newcomers value. The good news: there are some (perhaps unexpected) overlaps between the desires of liberal immigration reformers and the values

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immigration skeptics are anxious to uphold, which means that — in theory — there’s some “low-hanging fruit” in terms of policy change. The bad news: it’s impossible to design a policy regime that totally prevents any possible backlash, and trying to neutralize the backlash is more likely to harm — than help — the people most dis-served by the status quo.

February 13

Arabic Tea and Conversation Hour
4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
305 International Center
Sponsor: Asian Studies Center and the Arabic Program
Event Details: Arabic Diwan is a gathering of Arabic students who are in the Arabic program, where they speak the language and learn about the culture in a relaxed environment with the Fulbright teaching assistant. Students from all Arabic language levels are encouraged to attend. Also, we extend the invitation to the Arabic-speaking students at the English Center.

BOOK DISCUSSION - ETGAR KERET’S BOOK: THE SEVEN GOOD YEARS: A MEMOIR
5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Wells Hall B-342
Sponsor: Jewish Studies Program
Event Details: In anticipation of his Feb. 21st visit to MSU, faculty, students, and community members are welcome to discuss Etgar Keret’s recent book The Seven Good Years: A Memoir (Riverhead Books, 2016). Complimentary advance copies of the book for attendees are available upon request at the Jewish Studies office (Wells Hall C-730).

February 14

Restorative Justice and Student Conduct on Education Abroad Programs
12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.
International Center, Room 303
Sponsor: Office of International Health and Safety
Event Details: Join Rick Shafer, Director of Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution, and Maureen Handrahan, Coordinator for International Health and Safety, to learn more about restorative justice and how its principles can be applied to addressing student conduct issues on education abroad programs. Further details forthcoming.

February 15

Global Engagement Speaker Series: George Openjuru
3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Kellogg Center
Sponsor: Office of the Dean
Event Details: George L. Openjuru is professor of education and first deputy vice chancellor at Gulu University, Uganda. He was formerly dean of the School of Distance and Lifelong Learning at Makerere University, and head of the Department of Community Education and Extra-Mural Studies, Institute of Adult and Continuing Education. He was also an associate professor of adult and community education at Makerere University.

English Country Dancing
7:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
RCAH Theater, 362 Bogue Street
Event Details: Have you seen the dances they do in films based on Jane Austen novels? Now RCAH students can experience such an interdisciplinary dose of literature, history, dance, drama, music, romance, and combinatorics! At 7 p.m. on Thursday, February 15, the Lansing English Country Dancers will be holding their next event in a series of dances held in the RCAH Theater on the second Thursday of every month. The Lansing English Country Dancers offer instruction in the figures and sequences of English dances at all events. No experience is necessary. Participants are encouraged to come alone, bring a friend, or come as a group. They change partners for each dance, so it is not necessary to come as a couple. Wear comfortable clothes that allow freedom of movement and bring clean, flat, nonslip shoes. The event starts with a brief introductory session for beginners at 7 p.m. and ends at 9:30 p.m. This event is free to MSU students, $6 general admission, and $4 for other students.
February 16

CERES Brown Bag Talk: Mediterranean Influences on Italian Literature and Society, Speaker: Joseph Francese
12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.
302 International Center
Sponsor: Center for European, Russian, and Eurasian Studies

Event Details: The Sicilian folk hero Giufà is known throughout the Mediterranean: in Turkey he is known as Nasreddin Hoca; and in the Arab world as Juá. In all likelihood he was an expression of an oral tradition before he appeared in an Arabic book printed in the ninth century. Giufà was ‘imported’ to Sicily in the ninth century with the Arab conquest. He is a comedic character, a sort of ‘village idiot,’ who is not without his own redeeming qualities. Prof. Francese will discuss how Giufà entered the Italian literary tradition in the second-half of the nineteenth century and will provide a ‘close reading’ of the tales of the Giufà cycle. Joseph Francese is University Outstanding Faculty and Professor of Italian in the Romance and Classical Studies section of the College of Arts and Letters at MSU. He is also Senior Editor of Italian Culture (the journal of the American Association for Italian Studies); Editor of “Studi di italianistica moderna e contemporanea nel mondo anglofono/Studies in Modern and Contemporary Italianistica in the Anglophonic World” (a monograph series published by Firenze University Press); and has served on the PMLA Advisory Committee.

February 17

War and Speech: Propaganda, Patriotism and Dissent in the Great War
Main Gallery, MSU Museum
1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Sponsor: MSU Museum

Event Details: “War and Speech: Propaganda, Patriotism, and Dissent in the Great War” explores the new ways in which Americans understood civic duty and free speech during World War I. Propaganda posters produced by the United States government, by commercial lithographers, and by average citizens created a new, modern way of signifying patriotism and the American people. At the same time, government declared a war on speech, curbing dissent and anti-war speech through law. Not all citizens and residents—women, African Americans, Native Americans, and immigrants—participated fully in the American body politic. Yet they were encouraged to enlist wholeheartedly in the cause. What America, then, did propaganda images represent? War and Speech provides a window to this historic moment, fram-
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**Finding Funding for Research with African Partners & Faculty Networking**
3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Kellogg Center, Centennial Room BC
Sponsors: The Office for International Research Collaboration and the Alliance for African Partnerships

Event Details: The Office for International Research Collaboration (OIRC) and the Alliance for African Partnership (AAP) will present information on funding opportunities and trends for research in Africa and with African partners, followed by an opportunity for faculty to share their research interests and network with collaborators from across campus. All are welcome. Refreshments will be served.

RSVPs are not required, but recommended for OIRC planning at: OIRC@MSU.EDU, (517) 884-0947

February 21

**Puerto Rico: An Island in Crisis**
3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
201 International Center
Sponsor: Latin American Studies Center

Event Details: Cristina Gauthier, MSU graduate student, will provide broad information on Hurricane Maria’s impact on Puerto Rico. It looks at how climate change and policies can combine to create issues in the recovery of the island.

**AN EVENING WITH ETGAR KERET: PANEL DISCUSSION AND PUBLIC LECTURE**
4:00 p.m. – 5:50 p.m. (panel)
7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. (lecture)
Panel: Wells Hall B-342;
Lecture: James Madison College Library (332 Case Hall)
Sponsor: Jewish Studies Program

Event Details: Internationally acclaimed for his short stories, Etgar Keret is hailed as the voice of young Israel. Rarely extending beyond three or four pages, Keret’s stories fuse the banal with the surreal and offer a window on a surreal world that is both dark and comic. His books are bestsellers in Israel and have been published in over thirty languages. His books include The Bus Driver Who Wanted...
to Be God, Missing Kissinger, The Nimrod Flipout, The Girl on the Fridge, and Suddenly a Knock on the Door, which became an instant bestseller in Israel. Keret will join us for both a faculty-moderated panel discussion on his work, and an evening lecture in which he will discuss The Seven Good Years: A Memoir, in which he contemplates moments of his life against a backdrop of constant conflict, casting an absurd light on both the monumental and mundane. In 2016 Keret was awarded The Charles Bronfman Prize, for work inspiring Jewish values and having global impact.

**February 22**

**Eye on Africa Series**  
12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.  
201 International Center  
Sponsor: African Studies Center

Event Details: Edna Wangui Ohio University, Geography

**Graphic narratives and digital mapping in the world language and culture classroom**  
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.  
B135 Wells Hall  
Sponsor: CELTA

Event Details: Presenters: Drs. Lynn Wolff and Matthew Handelman  
In this workshop, we will present a major component of our newly revised third-year German language and culture course that was piloted during the fall 2017 se-

**African Tea Times: Libya, South Africa and Togo**  
4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
303 International Center  
Sponsor: African Studies Center

Event Details: An opportunity to learn and share about first hand experiences on the African Continent.

**Muslim Journeys Book Club: The Arab of the Future**  
7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  
MSU Main Library (Green Room)  
Sponsor: Islamic Society of Greater Lansing and the Interfaith Clergy Association of Greater Lansing

Event Details: The Arab of the Future: A Childhood in the Middle East (1978-1984) by Riad Sattouf, led by Emine Evered (History)

Part of the MSU Comics Forum. 
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.

**February 23**

**JEWSH STUDIES FACULTY/STUDENT RESEARCH SEMINAR: IMPERFECT HUMANS AND HUMAN BEASTS**  
10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.  
Wells Hall B-243  
Sponsor: Jewish Studies Program

Event Details: MSU William and Audrey Farber Family Endowed Chair in Holocaust Studies and European Jewish History Dr. Amy Simon will present her current research, which utilizes a close reading of diaries written in the Warsaw and Vilna ghettos during World War II to analyze ghetto inhabitants’ perceptions of the Germans and Jews who caused them suffering, ultimately revealing a changing conception of humanity and moral universe over time.
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CERES Brown Bag “Love & War: Letters of an Ottoman Officer 1911-1922”
12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.
302 International Center
Sponsor: Center for European, Russian, and Eurasian Studies

Event Details: Love & War: Letters of an Ottoman Officer 1911-1922
Presenters: Timur Kocaoglu and Eric Gerson

GSO Seminar - Dr. Elizabeth Desombre
3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Natural Resources Building, Room 338
Sponsor: Department of Fisheries and Wildlife

Event Details: Dr. Elizabeth Desombre, Camilla Chandler Frost Professor of Environmental Studies at Wellesley College, will present a seminar entitled “Saving Global - and Local? - Fisheries”.

February 26

Test of Faith: Signs, Serpents, Salvation with photographer and author, Lauren Pond
4:00 p.m.
184 Communication Arts and Science
Sponsor: Department of Religious Studies

Event Details: For more than a century, Pentecostal Signs Followers have handled venomous snakes during their worship services, risking death as evidence of their unwavering faith. What is their faith about, and what motivates them to continue their potentially lethal practices across generations? Free and public lecture, along with photography exhibit.

Haiti Bride
7:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
The Robin Theatre, Lansing
Sponsor: Latin American Studies Center

Event Details: Broad Underground Film Series. Haiti, an earthquake and the question of time and beginning. Programmed by Kenneth Harrow

Week of February 26

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March 1

Eye on Africa Series: Shoonie Hartwig
12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Room 201 International Center
Sponsor: African Studies Center

Event Details: For more than fifty years, Dr. Hartwig has lived in Minnesota, North Carolina and Tanzania as a teacher, researcher, program facilitator and as a writer. She taught at St. Olaf College and North Carolina Central University. The Lutheran College Consortium for Tanzania, an exchange program between several Lutheran colleges and the University of Dar es Salaam was operative for thirty-three years. Mwangaza Education for Partnership ELCA/ELCT is in its twenty first year. She has published four books, the most recent –
EDUCATION OF A STRANGER (2014) and LIVING WITH DYING – A FAMILY VOCATION (2017).
The primary documents, letters, pictures and tapes related to ANICETI KITEREZA – A TANZANIAN EPIC, were collected in 1969 when she lived on the island of Ukerewe. During that time, her husband, Gerald Hartwig, assembled oral traditions from the Bakerebe in preparation of writing their history. Kitereza was one of his informants. The Hartwigs published four articles related to Kitereza’s novel – Bwana Myombekere na Bibi Bugonoka.

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Education Abroad Information Sessions

Tech, Humanities, and the Arts in London
Tuesday, 13 Feb 2018, 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Main Library, Digital Scholarship Lab 2 West

Contemporary Issues in Developing Societies: Belize Spring Break 2018
Thursday, 15 Feb 2018, 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
118 Berkey Hall

Tech, Humanities, and the Arts in London
Wednesday, 21 Feb 2018, 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Main Library, Digital Scholarship Lab 2 West

European Union, Globalization and Social Change in France and Belgium
Thursday, 22 Feb 2018, 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
119A Berkey Hall

Tech, Humanities, and the Arts in London
Monday, 26 Feb 2018, 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Main Library, Digital Scholarship Lab 2 West

Gilman International Scholarship Information Session
Friday, February 16, 2018, 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
B-122 Wells Hall
Event Details: Are you interested in studying abroad? Are you eligible for Federal Pell Grants? If so, come to this information meeting about the Gilman International Scholarship! Learn about the Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship for Study Abroad and hear tips for creating a successful application. To be eligible for the Gilman you must be receiving a Federal Pell Grant at the time of application or during the term abroad, and be planning to participate in a credit-bearing international program that lasts for at least 21 days in one country. Students planning to study abroad in summer 2018, fall 2018 and academic year programs must apply by March 6, 2018. Student planning a spring 2019 or summer 2019 can apply by early October 2018.

Gilman International Scholarship Essay Review Walk-In Advising
Friday, 23 Feb 2018, 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Check-in at the EA Advising Center (108 International Center)
Event Details: Bring your computer and/or printed copies of your completed Gilman personal statement and follow on project essays and Education Abroad staff will review them and provide notes and suggestions to increase your chances of success. If you cannot attend the review session, you may email your essays to abroad@msu.edu no later than 5:00 PM on Thursday, February 22, 2018, and Education Abroad staff will email you back by Monday, February 26, 2018, with notes and suggestions.
### Conversation Hours: Center for Language Teaching and Advancement
### Spring 2018: Wells B135

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Deadline: February 25, 2017
(Open to Honors College students)
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For more information, please see: https://honorscollege.msu.edu/programs/schoenl.html

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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. 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. 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.
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Gliozzo Dissertation Research Scholarship
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For more information, please see:
http://www.isp.msu.edu/information-resources/student-funding/gliozzo-scholarship/

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. For more information please contact Jennifer Pippin at pippinj1@msu.edu.
To apply please visit asia.isp.msu.edu/mjexchange

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Global Land Programme - Graduate Research Assistantships - Michigan State University
Deadline: Saturday, March 31, 2018
Up to three Ph.D. graduate research assistantships are available at Michigan State University in the areas of social-ecological systems, coupled human and natural systems, ecosystem services, and participatory research to support a pair of new, multi-year, multidisciplinary, NASA-funded projects addressing the socio-ecological effects of climate change and dam construction in the Lower Mekong River Basin (i.e. Thailand, Laos, Cambodia, Vietnam).
Expressions of interest should be sent to Dr. Daniel Kramer (dbk@msu.edu).
For more information, please see:
https://glp.earth/news-events/jobs/graduate-research-assistantships-michigan
OIRC and AAP Present:

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