**Events**

**Week of August 30**

**Thursday, September 3**

“Does Aid Promote or Hinder Industrial Development in China”
Sponsor: Agriculture, Food, and Resource Economics
3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m., 75 Morrill Hall of Agriculture

Xiaobo Zhang, Senior Research Fellow at the International Food Policy Research Institute, will be speaking as part of the Department of Agriculture, Food, and Resource Economics’ Weekly Seminar Series.

**Friday, September 4**

“Industrialization from Scratch: The Persistent Effects of China’s Third Front Movement”
Sponsor: Agriculture, Food, and Resource Economics and the Department of Economics
1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m., Koo Room of Marshall-Adams Hall

Ben Zou, Assistant Professor in the Department of Economics, Michigan State University, will be speak as part of the Department of Agriculture, Food, and Resource Economics’ Weekly Seminar Series.

**Week of April 26**

**Thursday, September 10**

“Brazil Today and Tomorrow: Business Insights”
Sponsor: Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies
9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Business College Complex

Inaugural Brazuca Professional and Academic Development (BrazPAD) conference. BrazPAD conferences seek to support those with academic and professional interests related to Brazil. This year, Brazilian CEOs and entrepreneurs will share their knowledge and experience about the economy, culture, as well as insights into the job and general market. Networking opportunities will facilitate new connections for individuals and potential partnerships for MSU. For more information, please see: [http://latinamerica.isp.msu.edu/brazil_conference/byyear/2015/](http://latinamerica.isp.msu.edu/brazil_conference/byyear/2015/)

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Announcements
Sponsor: African Studies Center
12:00 p.m.-1:30 p.m., 201 International Center

Ryan Klataske, doctoral candidate in the Department of Anthropology, Michigan State University, will speak as part of the African Studies Center’s Eye on Africa Seminar Series.

“Was Sandmo Right? Experimental Evidence on to Price Uncertainty”
Sponsor: Agriculture, Food, and Resource Economics
3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m., 75 Morrill Hall of Agriculture

Marc Bellemare, Assistant Professor in the Department of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota, will speak as part of the Department of Agriculture, Food, and Resource Economics’ Weekly Seminar Series.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fall 2015 Course Announcement

Education, Development and Social Change
EAD/TE 813
Thursdays 4:10 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

The underlying struggles for equity, quality and efficiency in education systems are similar the world over, yet the specific educational challenges in the developing countries can be quite different from the educational challenges in the developed world. This course aims to develop a comprehensive understanding of the key issues and debates in education research and policy in developing countries.

Assignments are aimed to help students develop their own interests in specific countries, regions and research topics. In the past, students have used assignments to develop successful conference presentations, grant proposals and dissertation research ideas. For additional information, contact: Dr. Amita Chudgar, amitac@msu.edu.

Schwarzman Scholars Program

Schwarzman Scholars is a highly selective, one-year master’s program at Tsinghua University in Beijing, China that is designed to prepare the next generation of global leaders for the challenges of the future. Students will live and study together on the campus of Schwarzman College, a newly-built, state-of-the-art facility, where all classes will be taught in English. Students will pursue degrees in one of three disciplines: Public Policy, Economics and Business, or International Studies.

The scholarship provides: tuition, fees, room and board, travel to and from Beijing at the beginning and end of the academic year, an in-country study tour, required course books and supplies, a Lenovo laptop and smartphone, health insurance, and a modest personal stipend. Applications are now open for the 2016-17 academic year. The application deadline is September 1.

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The Minor in Global Studies in Social Science is designed for students who wish to increase their understanding of the processes of continuity and change in various regions of the world, particularly Africa, Asia, Europe, and Latin America. The minor provides an opportunity for students to learn how contemporary global systems influence global relations and national trends, as well as how culture shapes processes of continuity and change in one of the major world regions.

15 Credits

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