For the Week of December 3rd:

**Tuesday, December 4th**

“Four Days in September” (Brazil)  
History Department International Film Festival  
7:00 pm, Rm. A-133 Life Sciences Building

“Oaxaca: Art, History, & Politics”  
Art Museum Sponsored Lecture  
Speaker: David Thomas  
7:00 pm, Rm. 108 Kresge Art Center

**Wednesday, December 5th**

Crisis in the Implementation of Sudan’s Comprehensive Peace Agreement  
Sudan Awareness and Support Group Special Brown Bag  
Speaker: Benaiah Yongo-Bure, Faculty Kettering University  
12:00 pm - 1:30 pm, Rm. 210 International Center

**Thursday, December 6th**

“Strategic Partnership Panel Report: South Africa”  
African Studies Center Brown Bag  
Panel of MSU faculties who have recently traveled to South Africa  
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm, Rm. 201 International Center

**Thursday, December 6th**

Fiestecita Oazaquena  
Join the Friends of the Art Museum at MSU for a festive gathering celebrating Mexican Folk Art, at the historic home of David and Gloria Thomas  
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm, Bigelow-Kuhn-Thomas House  
$25.00 per person

**Friday, December 7th**

“Culture: Inimical to Management Style in the Ghanaian Public Sector?”  
Speaker: Josephine Ami Narh, Humphrey Fellow  
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm, Rm. 201 International Center

Next CASID Current will be published in the Spring of 2008!
FOREIGN LANGUAGE AND AREA STUDIES (FLAS) FELLOWSHIPS ANNOUCEMENT

Fellowships for graduate studies are expected to be available at Michigan State University through a grant under Title VI of the Higher Education Act from 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.

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.

African Studies Center
2008 Summer and 2008-2009 Academic Year FLAS
Deadline for submission of all papers relating to the academic year FLAS application is February 15, 2008
For information about FLAS fellowships, contact:
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Asian Studies Center
2008 Summer and 2008-2009 Academic Year FLAS
Deadline for submission of all papers relating to the academic year FLAS application is March 15, 2008
For information about FLAS fellowships, contact:
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Center For Advanced Study Of International Development and Women in International Development Program

2008 Summer and 2008-2009 Academic Year FLAS
Application deadline is February 18, 2008.
For application materials please go to: http://www.casid.msu.edu/academic/fellowships.shtml
For additional information, please contact:
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2008 TINKER FIELD RESEARCH GRANTS FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS

CLACS is pleased to announce the Tinker Field Grant competition to support pre-dissertation travel by both U.S. and international graduate students to Latin America. Latin America, as defined by the Tinker Foundation, includes all countries speaking Spanish and Portuguese in the region and the Caribbean. The Tinker Foundation will not allow funding for travel to Puerto Rico.

Information on the grant and the application itself are on the web at www.isp.msu.edu/clacs. Please go to the graduate certificate page, and you will find the proper links. The deadline for the application is February 29, 2008. We will hold an orientation meeting for students interested in applying on Friday, January 18, at 2:00pm in Rm. 302 of the International Center. If you have any questions, please contact Professor Laurie Medina, CLACS Acting Associate Director and Graduate Coordinator during Fall Semester 2007 (353-1690 or medina@msu.edu) or Professor Manuel Chavez, CLACS Associate Director and Graduate Coordinator during Spring Semester 2008 (353-1690 or chavezm1@msu.edu).

Tinker Foundation rules have changed slightly. We are now allowed to award up to 25% of the airline ticket price for maintenance and other costs. Funds cannot be used to support MSU study abroad programs or alternative spring/winter break activities. Under the current Tinker grant (2006-09) students can receive funding only once. Students who have been funded under other CLACS grants or by a Tinker awards form the previous (2002-2005) cycle are eligible to apply for this grant. After summer 2008, CLACS must sit out a year in the competition for Tinker grants, so CLACS will not be able to offer student research funds for summer 2009. For this reason, we urge you to apply during this cycle.

We would like to acknowledge the support of the MSU Graduate School and the Dean of International Studies and Programs to fund the additional resources required by the Tinker Foundation.
CALL FOR PAPERS: WID WORKING PAPERS SPECIAL EDITION ON SEXUAL VIOLENCE AND CONFLICT

The Working Papers on Women and International Development series features article-length manuscripts by scholars from a broad range of disciplines. The series focuses on the relationships between gender and global transformation and publishes reports of empirical studies and projects, theoretical analyses, and policy discussions that illuminate the processes of change in the broadest sense.

Please consider submitting a manuscript for a special WID Working Papers edition on Sexual Violence and Conflict. In this special issue, the WID Working Papers is looking for submissions that advance knowledge on the complexity of sexual violence during violent conflict and post-conflict situations. We are interested in essays that examine various types of sexual violence, and its impacts on intersections on gender, race, ethnicity, class, and sexual orientation within different conflicts and domains.

This compilation of papers will synthesize a broad range of ideas and perspectives from multiple academic and geographic fields. We seek submissions for a special edition that will broaden our understanding of the history, practice, and effects of sexual violence directed towards women and/or men during and after conflict situations. Papers from any geographic area of the developing world are welcome. Possible topics include but are not limited to:

--institutions of sexual violence such as sexual slavery, human trafficking and prostitution
--histories of sexual violence in conflicts around the globe, from the ancient world to the present
--international law and sexual violence
--innovative prevention, intervention and/or treatment of sexual violence
--networking or collaborative efforts
--medical, psychological, and clinical perspectives on sexual violence during war
--survivorhood and the healing process

The deadline for submissions is January 25, 2008. E-mail submissions or queries to papers@msu.edu with subject line “Sexual Violence in Conflict.” For more information on the series and to see recent Working Papers, visit our website, www.wid.msu.edu

SPRING COURSE ANNOUNCEMENTS

PHL351 “African Philosophy,” Tuesday/Thursday, 3:00 pm - 4:20 pm, Instructor: John Otieno Ouko, email: oukojohn@msu.edu

ANP 439 “Anthropology and Human Rights,” Tuesday, 4:00 pm - 6:50 pm, Instructor: Natalie J. Bourdon, email: bourdonn@msu.edu

2007 RITA S. GALLIN AWARD FOR THE BEST GRADUATE STUDENT PAPER IN WOMEN AND INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Deadline: Friday, December 14, 2007

Women and International Development (WID), a program of 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 20 double-spaced pages in length, and should focus on issues related to women, gender, international development, and globalization.

The winning paper will be peer reviewed for publication in the WID Working Papers Series, and its author will receive a $200.00 prize.

Papers should be submitted to the WID office via e-mail (in Word or WordPerfect) or by mail (both hard copy and on diskette/CD). Please indicate you are submitting the paper for the competition and be sure to include a contact phone number and e-mail address.
SPRING AND SUMMER GENCEN INTERNSHIPS

The Center for Gender in Global Context (GenCen) is pleased to announce that we have expanded our internship offerings to include the Women, Gender, and Social Justice internship program -- now called the GenCen Internship program -- and the Gender, Justice, and Environmental Change Internship Program. Students interested in issues of gender, social justice, community development, health, domestic violence, environmental change, etc., are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity to gain hands-on experience interning with organizations working on these issues, while receiving MSU credit.

Spring 2008 applications are being accepted on a rolling basis until the November 30th deadline. Summer 2008 applications will be accepted immediately up until the February 29th deadline.

See a flyer describing the program; lists of potential local, national, and international internship opportunities; and an application form at http://www.gjec.msu.edu/internship.htm.

Students interested in international internships should contact the GenCen Internship Coordinator as soon as possible to discuss programs and specific deadlines.

Rebecca Meuninck, Coordinator, GenCen Internship Program
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