



Center for Advanced Study of International Development

EVENTS

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Week of February 15

Tuesday, February 17

Spanish Conversation Hour

Sponsor: Department of Romance and Classical Studies
5:00 p.m., MSU Union, next to the post office.

"Pláticas" is an informal time for chatting in Spanish with other language learners and some TAs and instructors.

"Ecstasy Flow Across the U.S. and Canada"

Sponsors: Canadian Studies Center and International Studies and Programs
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m., 303 International Center

Siddharth Chandra, Director of the MSU Asian Studies Center, and Jerry Yu, Ph.D. candidate in the Department of Sociology, will speak at the Canadian Studies Center Spring Lecture Series. This presentation utilizes city-level data on the wholesale price of ecstasy (MDMA) to identify sources of MDMA for various urban markets in the U.S. The findings have implications for drug policy and inter-border collaborations in the area of law enforcement.

Linking All Types of Teachers to International Cross-Cultural Education (LATTICE) Workshop

Sponsor: CASID
12:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m., Spartan Village Community Center

LATTICE members meet for monthly presentations, discussions, food, and music with topics ranging from the personal to the global. LATTICE initiates dynamic interaction on issues that concern educators throughout the world and strives to advance greater understanding on issues of diversity.

Korean Coffee House

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6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m., 303 International Center

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Study Abroad Information Sessions

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.

Corvinus University of Budapest (Hungary)

Thursday, February 19

4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m., 201 International Center

American College of Thessaloniki (Greece)

Tuesday, February 24

3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m., 303 International Center



Study Abroad Workshop Sponsored by Psychology

Sponsor: Psychology

5:45 p.m.-7:30 p.m., 115 International Center

This workshop, sponsored by the Department of Psychology in the College of Social Science, will provide a broad overview of study abroad at MSU, including financing options, and host a student panel of advisers and students. Intended for psychology majors, any student interested in studying abroad is welcome to attend and participate. Registration is mandatory. Please register at: <http://goo.gl/forms/iEQ5ePwKKo>.

“Tracking Time in Auschwitz”

Sponsor: Center for European, Russian and Eurasian Studies (CERES)

7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m., James Madison College Library, 322 South Case Hall

Alan Rosen, International School for Holocaust Studies, Yad Vashem, will examine how Jews in ghettos, camps, and in hiding were compelled to develop innovative strategies to track time, maintain continuity with the past, and envision a future.

“News from the Americas: Paulo Naraeth's Walk Writing”

Sponsor: Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies (CLACS)

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

Dr. Guiherme Trielli Ribeiro will speak at this CLACS-sponsored lecture.

“Land Markets and Equity of Land Distribution in Tanzania: A Gendered Analysis”

Sponsor: Economics

12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m., 75 Morrill Hall of Agriculture

Ayala Wineman, Ph.D. student in Agricultural, Food, and Resource Economics, will speak as part of the Department of Economics Development Lunch Seminar Series.



“From Exploitationware to Careware: Players, Scientists and Epistemic Games”

Sponsor: CREATE for STEM Institute
12:00 p.m.-1:15 p.m., 252 Erickson Hall

Casey O'Donnell, Assistant Professor in the Department of Media and Information, will speak at part of the CREATE Science Seminar Series. From gamification to crowdsourcing, games increasingly are finding homes in the unlikely of places. In this talk, Dr. O'Donnell will discuss the trajectory of social games, learning games and citizen-scientist powered crowdsourcing games and the broad implications of these technologies.

Thursday, February 19

“Football (soccer) and Post-colonial Politics in Zambia 1964-1984”

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

Hikabwa Chipande, graduate student in the Department of History, will speak as part of the African Studies Center's Eye of Africa Lecture Series.



“Global Halal: An International Conference on Muslims and the Cultural Politics of the Permissible”

Sponsors: Muslim Studies Center, Asian Studies Center, the University of East London and the Muslim Trust and Dialogue Program.

This conference runs February 19-21.

MSU International Center and Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center

Often associated with Muslim dietary practices, the concept of halal applies to that which is permissible to Muslims and serves as one of the key ethical concepts in Islamic theological doctrines. Yet as with any religious principle, concepts like halal and its antithesis haram, are subject to interpretation. The conference will provide a forum for exploring the principle of halal within a global context, emphasizing the complexities of the permissible and the impermissible (haram). This event is free and open to the public.

East Neighborhood Chinese New Year Celebration

Sponsor: East Neighborhood
5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m., Hubbard Hall

Join all of your friends in East Neighborhood for a Chinese New Year Celebration! Chinese New Year Celebration will take place in Hubbard Dining Hall. The event will feature song, dance, live DJ, tea demonstration, Chinese trivia, calligraphy, Chinese booth, and afterwards popular Chinese movies and popcorn.

Chinese New Year Event

Sponsor: Haslett Public Library
3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m., Haslett Public Library, 1590 Franklin Street, Haslett

Celebrate the Chinese New Year with crafts, games and fun as Karen Klein, Michigan State University's Outreach Coordinator for Asian Studies, introduces us to the culture of China.

Friday, February 20

Chinese Spring Festival Gala

Sponsor: Office for International Students and Scholars
6:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m., Breslin Center

Come to the annual Chinese Spring Festival Gala at the Breslin Center.

“Attracting Carnivorous Insects with Plant Volatiles: The Future of Biocontrol or Playing with Fire?”

Sponsor: Entomology
3:00 p.m., refreshments at 2:45., 244 Natural Science Building

Ian Kaplan, Assistant Professor at Purdue University, will speak as part of the Spring Entomology Seminar Series.

“The Future of Solar Energy After the Big Crash”

Sponsor: Engineering
11:30 a.m., 1400 Biomedical and Physical Sciences Building

Sue Carter, Associate Professor in Physics, University of California at Santa Cruz, will speak as part of the Science at the Edge Seminar Series.

Week of February 22

Monday, February 23

“Emperor's River: Photographing Along China's Grand Canal”

Sponsor: MSU Museum
7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m., MSU Museum Auditorium

This event is part of the exhibit *Seeing China: Photographic Views and Viewpoints*, which is on display at the MSU Museum. Photographer Philipp Rittermann will give a talk on his work.

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"How Margaret Atwood changed my Life: A Personal and Literary Odyssey"

Sponsor: Canadian Studies Center
12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m., 303 International Center

In 1981, Anita Skeen, Director of the MSU Center for Poetry, had the good fortune to be a student of the Canadian writer, Margaret Atwood. Not only did her mentorship influence Skeen’s writing, but Atwood introduced her to a whole new body of literature created by Canadian writers. In this hour, Skeen will talk about works of Atwood and other writers that influenced her own work and read examples of their writing as well as her own.



“Framework for Analyzing Coordination in African Agricultural Value Chains”

Sponsor: Agriculture, Food and Resource Economics (AFRE)
11:50 a.m.-1:00 p.m., 75 Morrill Hall of Agriculture

Ryan Vroegindewey, M.S. student in Agriculture, Food and Resource Economics (AFRE), will speak as part of the AFRE department Brown Bag Seminar Series.

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Certified Global Business Professional (CGBP) Training

Sponsors: MSU, East Michigan District Export Council, Automation Alley, Michigan Economic Development Corporation, and the U.S. Commercial Service
This training runs February 24 and February 25, Automation Alley, 2675 Bellingham Drive, Troy

This two-day workshop will give you the information you need to confidently move your organization into the world of global commerce. This training is in alignment with the Certified Global Business Professional (CGBP) credential and administered by NASBITE (National Association of Small Business International Trade Educators) International.

Film Screening: “China Gate”

Sponsor: Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum
7:00 p.m.-8:15 p.m., Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum

The story of young Chinese students engaged in intensive study, “China Gate” highlights youth who seek to change their social status through education. Director Wang Yang filmed in three separate regions in China, juxtaposing a small county school with a highly-pressured large city, to capture the struggle of hardworking Chinese youth and the spirit that keeps them fighting against all odds.

Wednesday, February 25

Film Screening: “The Life and Death of Steve Biko”

Sponsor: African American and African Studies Program
6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m., 112 Brody Hall

A “World in Action” episode, this film documents the life of Black Consciousness activist Steven Biko. A graduate student panel will follow.

“Visibility, Impermanence and Property Claims Over Urban Indigenous Territory in Northwestern Mexico ”

Sponsor: Center for Latin America and the Caribbean
3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m., 201 International Center

Lucero Radonic, Assistant Professor in Anthropology, will be the key speaker in the Ninth Yaqui Pueblo Lecture.

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Film discussion: “Confusion Na Wa”

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12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m., 201 International Center

Kenneth Gyang, a filmmaker from Nigeria, will speak as part of the African Studies Center’s Eye On Africa Seminar Series.

Friday, February 27

Dynamic Omics Integration: A First Step Toward Personalized Medicine

Sponsor: Quantitative Biology Graduate Program/Gene Expression in Development and Disease
11:30 a.m., 1400 Biomedical and Physical Sciences

George Mias, Assistant Professor in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, will speak as part of the Science at the Edge Lecture Series. The talk will discuss how the emergence and ready availability of novel –omics technologies is guiding our efforts to make advances in the implementation of personalized (or precision) medicine.



Life is calling. How far will you go?



MSU Peace Corps

Informational Sessions:

(Learn about our different opportunities to work abroad)

Wed, Jan 28th @ 6:30pm in 204 Int'l Center

Tues, Feb 3rd @ 6:30pm in 303 Int'l Center

Thurs, Mar 5th @ 6:30pm in 204 Int'l Center

Application Workshops:

(Learn how to strengthen your application & resume)

Wed, Feb 18th @ 6:30pm in 303 Int'l Center

Thurs, Mar 19th @ 6:30pm in 204 Int'l Center

Visit our office in 202 International Center

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Schoenl Family Undergraduate Grants for Dire Needs Overseas

Sponsor: Honors College

The purpose of the Schoenl Family Undergraduate Grants for Dire Needs Overseas is to identify and fund the most outstanding project, proposed by a member of the MSU Honors College, which will serve dire human needs in countries other than the U.S. The grants must be used within a 12-month period to make an impact that will help alleviate dire human needs. **Applications are due by February 25.** The amount awarded depends on available funds and project scope. Typical grant funding is \$1,200 for a Level I award and \$1,800 for a Level II award. Up to two Level I awards and two Level II award will be made in 2015. Visit: <http://honorscollege.msu.edu/content/schoenl-family-undergraduate-grants-dire-needs-overseas> for more information.

- Awards recipients must be MSU Honors College students in good academic standing.
- The award winning project will identify and address dire human needs in countries other than the U.S. Examples of dire needs include, but are not limited to clean water, food, shelter, medical care and other commensurate needs. International travel is not a requirement of the grant.
 - *Level I Award:* Proposed projects should focus on program support, service or creative innovations.
 - *Level II Award:* Proposed projects should focus on making a real difference in the lives of people; and must actually implement a model of addressing a dire human need in at least two different locations. Research projects are not eligible for this award. Proposed projects that build or relate to previously funded grant projects that have been implemented might be of interest. For a list of such projects, see <http://honorscollege.msu.edu/schoenl>.
- The award recipients will have demonstrated exceptional character, leadership and interest in improving the lives of others, particularly in international contexts. A commitment to community service and/or using scholarship to improve human conditions should be evident.