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Week of February 17th

Wednesday, February 20th

"Helping Students 'Pack For' and 'Unpack' Their International Learning Experiences"

Sponsored by: Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies

3:00 pm - 4:30 pm, 201 International Center

Dr. Catalina Lopez-Quintero, Visiting Research Associate, Epidemiology and Biostatistics, College of Human Medicine.

Thursday, February 21st

"Rethinking Area Studies and Postcoloniality in the Context of Globalization"

Sponsored by: African Studies Center

12:00 pm - 1:30 pm, 201 International Center

African Studies Center's Eye on Africa Series with Lindsey Gish, Ph.D. Candidate, History, MSU.

"Hindi-Urdu Social Chai and Chat"

Sponsored by: Asian Studies Center

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm, 302 International Center

Hindi-Urdu Social Chai and Chat is back! Get your friends, chat, have rich Indian spicy chai and make new friends this Thursday.

Friday, February 22nd

"Islam and Muslims in America"

Sponsored by: Muslim Studies Center

12:00 pm - 1:30 pm, 303 International Center

FEBRUARY 14, 2013

Muslim Studies Program Faculty research panel presentation. Come find out what MSU faculty members are doing in this area of research:

Salah Hassan (English)

Farha Abbasi (Psychiatry)

Muhammad Khalifa (Educational Administration)

Austin Jackson (Residential College of Arts and Humanities)

Week of February 24th

Tuesday, February 26th

"Optional Practical Training (OPT) Webinar"

Sponsored by: Office of Study Abroad and the Office of Career Services and Placement

3:30 pm - 4:30 pm, Online

Join OISS for an online OPT information session by logging on to our OPT webinar. (A webinar is a web-based presentation.) F-1 students may apply for one year of U.S. work authorization, called Optional Practical Training (OPT), for use after graduation. We recommend that applications are submitted at least 3 months before your program completion. Log on for more information about how you can apply for OPT, and get your questions about the process answered. To participate in this webinar, go to: https://connect.msu.edu/oissopt/. There is no pre-registration required. To learn more about OPT, please review our OPT Application Packet:

http://oiss.isp.msu.edu/documents/students/ opt.pdf*



Kangas Hemmed While You Wait

Iringa, Tanzania, 2006

Joy Campbell



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"Hanover Forest Science Seminar"

Sponsored by: MSU Department of Forestry and Asian Studies Center

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm, 225 Natural Resources

Economic evaluation of forest and ecosystem services in Malaysia will be analyzed. The guest speaker is Awang Noor Abd. Ghani, Faculty of Forestry, University Pertanin Malaysia.

Wednesday, February 27th

"Meeting the Need for Clean Energy in Rural Central America"

Sponsored by: Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies

3:00 pm - 7:00 pm, 201 International Center

Dr. Ajit Srivastava will present this week. Dr. Srivastava, Professor of Biosystems and Agricultural Engineering in the College of Engineering.

"The Erickson Global View Symposium"

Sponsored by: College of Education's Higher, Adult, and Lifelong Education Program

8:30 am - 4:00 pm, MSU Union

American universities need to do more to ensure their graduate students are developing international perspectives and the ability to work in diverse settings. To help address this need, many graduate programs, especially in the professions, are turning to study abroad programs. Unlike undergraduate study abroad, however, in which emphasis is often placed on cultural and personal experiences, graduate students who study abroad seek opportunities for research, networking, and other professional development outcomes. Despite the rapid growth of such programs, however, integrating study abroad effectively into graduate education remains a challenge for many universities and graduate programs.

Based on a collaborative study of universities associated with the CIC (Big 10) and New York University, this symposium will explore key questions and issues that need to be addressed in developing, administering, facilitating, and assessing study abroad programs in professional and graduate education. The symposium's focus will be of interest to all involved in or considering development of graduate study abroad, including graduate school deans, study abroad administrators, administrators and faculty within professional schools and departments, researchers, and graduate students.

Thursday, February 28th

"Wham! Bam! Islam! A Documentary Film and Discussion"

Sponsored by: Muslim Studies Center and MSU Comics Forum

7:30 pm - 9:30 pm, MSU Main Library, 4th Floor North Conference Room

Presented by Prof. Salah Hassan. The documentary tells the story of Naif Al-Mutawa and his venture to create the first teams of superheroes from the Muslim world called "The 99," from concept to reality, from acclaim to censure, from almost bankruptcy to a successful animation series. Al-Mutawa dodges minefields and confronts the harsh realities of the global marketplace...to bring new heroes to children around the world.

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Saturday, March 2nd

"Michigan Japanese Quiz Bowl Competition"

Sponsored by: Japan Center for Michigan Universities and Asian Studies Center

9:00 am - 4:00 pm, Location to be Announced

Michigan Japanese Quiz Bowl Competition and Cultural Exposition is a Japanese language competition for K-12 students across the state. MJQB also brings together hundreds of students, teachers and citizens from across the state of Michigan to celebrate Japanese culture through demonstrations, activities and performances at the MJQB Cultural Exposition. For more information and the announcement of the location, please visit:

http://www.facebook.com/Michigan-JQB



Hanami in Gion Japan, 2011 Sarah Hodge



Child at the Construction Site Bhutan, 2008 Donald Roberts

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cuba at a Crossroads: Sustainable Tourism Development in a Time of Political Change

July 15-27, 2013

East Carolina University Summer Session II Study Abroad Course

Visit Havana, Las Terrazas, the Vinales Valley, and Play Giron on a 13-day Cuban adventure to study tourism in a beautiful country that is on the brink of major development in the coming years. Interact with industry workers, visitors, and educators for an up close and personal look into Cuban tourism.

The cost of the trip is \$2,100 and applications are due by March 29th.

For more information on what the cost includes and what the trip can mean for you, please contact:

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Peace Corps at MSU

Spring Office Hours:

Monday: 3:30 - 5:30 pm Wednesday: 1:00 - 5:00 pm Thursday: 8:00 - 12:00 pm Or by appointment

MSU recruiting office: Room 202 International Center Email: msupeace@msu.edu Website: isp.msu.edu/peacecorps Facebook: look for "Peace Corps at Michigan State University"

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