

Week of September 25

Tuesday, September 27

"Micro-blogging Memories: Weibo and Collective Remembering in Contemporary China"

Sponsor: Asian Studies Center 4:00-5:00 p.m., 303 International Center

In her new book, Eileen Le Han, an assistant professor at the Center for Integrative Studies in Social Science, examines how various kinds of public events are shared, debated, and their historical significance and worthiness of remembrance highlighted on Weibo, a leading Chinese micro-blogging platform. How does society remember public events in the rapidly changing age of social media? This five-year research project reflects a dramatic change in Chinese society, where journalists, media professionals, and opinion leaders in different fields of expertise, together with ordinary citizens directly affected by these changes in everyday life, collaborate to witness the rapid social transition. Fileen Le Han She received her PhD in communication at the University of Pennsylvania's Annenberg School for Communication. She had published research articles in multiple journals

in the field of communication. Her research areas include social media, journalism, collective memory, and contemporary China. Currently, she is working on a project about social media and collective memory about sports events. For more information, contact the Asian Studies Center at asiansc@isp.msu.edu.

"Fear and Trembling in Zion: The Mortality and Morality of Israel"

Sponsors: James Madison College, the Jewish Studies Program, and the Asian Studies Center

1:00-2:30 p.m., James Madison Library, Case Hall

Uriel Abulof is an associate professor of politics at Tel-Aviv University and a senior research fellow at Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School. He will present on the Zionist movement's immersion in existential dread about the very survival of the Jewish people and their state. While espying the abyss, Zionists have sought a moral horizon: legitimating the Jewish state. Yet the seeming failure to become "a nation like all nations" has augmented Zionist fears and deepened doubts about the very possibility of legitimating Israel.

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Wednesday, September 28

"So You're Interested in Developing a Study Abroad Program"

Sponsor: Office of Study Abroad 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., MSU Union, Lake Superior Room

This session is intended for faculty interested in exploring what is involved in developing and leading a study abroad program at MSU. The presenters will focus on providing basic framing information, introduce available resources, and share their experiences as program leaders. Topics will include academic, co-curricular, and extra-curricular learning; program design; and planning and logistics. In addition, participants will receive an overview of the formal

steps involved in program development from concept to implementation. Bring your ideas and come ready to brainstorm with colleagues. Please register at fod.msu.edu/events/so-you%E2%80%99re-interested-de-veloping-study-abroad-program-0. Lunch will be provided.

"Pigs Feet, Restaurants, and the French Revolution"

Sponsor: History, Romance and Classical Studies, and the Jack and Margaret Sweet Professorship in Hisotry 12:00-1:30 p.m., Old Horticulture

Rebecca Spang, a professor of hisotry at Indiana University, will speak. Every wonder why there are restaurants? What people used to eat in them? And what does all of this have to do with the French Revolution? Well then, this talk by Dr. Rebecca Spang might have

the answers. Dr. Spang is a renowned historian of Modern Europe. Her first book, *The Invention of the Restaurant* (Harvard 2001) has been translated into many languages, including Japanese and Portuguese. Her second book, *Stuff and Money in the Time of the French Revolution* (Harvard, 2015) has been named recently as one of the best history books by the *Financial Times* and *Choice*

Gilman International Scholarship Essay Review Walk-In Advising

Sponsor: Office of Study Abroad 2:00-5:00 p.m., 201 International Center

Bring your computer and/or printed copies of your completed Gilman personal statement and follow up project essays and OSA 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 study-abroad@isp.msu.edu no later than 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 27, 2016, and OSA staff will email you back by Friday, September 29, 2016, with notes and suggestions.

Study Abroad Information Sessions

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.

Communication Sciences and Disorders in England and Scotland Sunday, September 25 2:00-3:00 p.m., 107 Oyer

ICMS Australia 2017 and BI Norwegian School of Business Wednesday, October 5 5:00-7:00 p.m., A232 Wells Hall Business and Culture in Spain— Spring Friday, October 7 12:30-1:20 p.m., 7 Eppley

Ecole d'Ingenieurs de Purpan in Toulouse, France—Summer Friday, October 7 5:00-6:00 p.m., 410 S. Morrill Hall of Agriculture

Diwan Arabic Tea and Conversation Hour

Sponsor: Asian Studies Center 4:00-5:00 p.m., 305 International Center

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 re-



laxed environment with our Fulbright teaching assistant. Students from all Arabic language levels are encouraged to attend. We extend the invitation to Arabic-speaking students from the English Center as well. For more information, please email cheikh.sheibe@gmail.com.

Hindi-Urdu Chai and Chat

Sponsor: Asian Studies Center 6:30-7:30 p.m., 302 International Center

Come experience and discuss Indian and South Asian cultures and languages, especially Hindi-Urdu, while sipping spiced tea (chai) and tasting delicious desi snacks. For more information, please email Assistant Professor Rajiv Ranjan at rranjan@msu.edu.

Thursday, September 29

"Becoming a Peace Corps Volunteer: How to Build Your Resume"

Sponsor: MSU Peace Corps Office 6:00-8:00 p.m., 201 International Center

Hear from MSU Peace Corps recruiters about how to have the strongest application.

"Life Along a Reteating Lakeshore: Fishing, Herding, and Monumentality Around Lake Turkana 5000-4000 BP"

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

Elisabeth Hildebrand, a visiting scholar in the Department of Anthropology from the Turkana Basin Institute, Stony Brook University, will be speaking as part of the Africa Studies Center's Eye on Africa seminar series.

Opening reception for *Lines* of *Flight*

Sponsor: Asian Studies Center, James Madison College, Jewish Studies Program, and the Residential College in the Arts and Humanities 4:30-6:00 p.m., C200 Snyder Hall

Chen Shapira will be present at a reception celebrating the exhibition of his artwork, *Lines of Flight*, an assembly of different perspectives that explore aspects of Israeli reality and examines changes in common contemporary Israeli symbols and imagery. The paintings are executed in a continuous, meditative process, building layers of inks and watercolors on paper. The paintings also trigger political questions regarding land, territory, power and control.

Friday, September 30

First Annual LATTICE (Linking All Types of Teachers to International Cross-Cultural Education) Gala

Sponsor: LATTICE 6:00-8:30 p.m., Kiva in Erickson Hall





The LATTICE Board of Directors cordially invite you to the first annual LATTICE Gala this fall. There will be a delicious meal from Zaytoon Mediterranean Grill, several international and local musical performances, and a silent auction. It will be a fun evening to promote global awareness and raise funds to support LATTICE. As this is a fundraising event for a 501°(3) non-profit organization, all donations are tax deductible. LATTICE (Linking All Types of Teachers to International Cross-Cultural Edu-

cation) is a non-profit organization comprised of international educators and students at MSU. LATTICE is a learning community and international network that cultivates and supports global perspectives in K-12 classrooms through personal and professional development opportunities. This diverse group of international graduate students, domestic graduate students, professors, local teachers, and community members meet once a month to discuss and learn from relevant and often controversial topics that

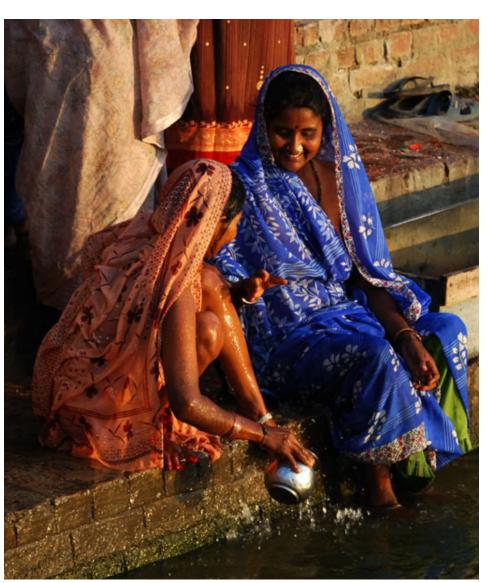
influence the lives of K-12 students around the world. LATTICE provides a safe, inspiring environment for these conversations and share in global food and discussions each meeting. Tickets for the gala are \$25 for adults, \$10 for students and children (6-12), and free for children 5 and under. To RSVP, please see https://goo.gl/forms/Bvsc-c8m5atdF4GVf1.



Maitrii-Detroit's "Saakshi: Yamuna's Tales of Testimony"

Sponsors: College of Music and the Asian Studies Center 5:00-7:00 p.m., Fairchild Auditorium

A tapestry of Indian classical dances woven together in a thematic presentation—describing tales of love, beauty, courage, and valor as witnessed by the river Yamuna through the ages. Featuring the artistic ensemble of: Asha Subramanian (Mohini Attam), Manisha Dongre (Kathak), Radhika Acharya (Bharata Natyam), Sandhya Sree Athmakuri (Kuchipudi), and Shreelina Ghosh (Odissi). For tickets or more information, please contact ticketsmsna@gmail.com. Ticket cost is \$20 for adults, \$10 for kids (ages 8-18) and senior citizens, and \$50 for families of four (2 adults, 2 kids).





Week of Ocotober 2

Tuesday, October 4

Gender, Justice, and Environmental Change Fall Welcome Reception

Sponsor: Center for Gender in Global Context 3:30-5:00 p.m., 303 International Center

Join the Center for Gender in Global Context to connect (or reconnect) with other gender, justice, and environmental specialization (GJEC) students and faculty. This is also an opportunity to learn more about the GIEC specialization, funding opportunities, and upcoming events. Students who are interested in enrolling in the specialization are also encouraged to attend. Stop by and say hello if you haven't yet met the GIEC Coordinator, Dr. Wynne Wright, and the GIEC advisor, Dr. Marisa Rinkus. Light refreshments will be provided. Gender, Justice and Environmental Change (GJEC) is a graduate specialization available as an elective for students who are enrolled in master's and doctoral degree programs at Michigan State University. The specialization is sponsored jointly by the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources and the College of Social Science. For more information, visit http://gencen.isp.msu.edu/graduate-students/ gjec-program.

Wednesday, October 5

"I-Narratives Multicultural Perspectives on Telling the Self"

Sponsor: Romance and Classical Studies 5:00-7:00 p.m., B106 Wells Hall

This round table reflects on various kinds of self-narratives from multicultural perspectices (Arabic, French, Italian, Japanese Cultures and French Linguistics). To be inclusive of self-narratives of all times up to current writing practices and discursive expressions of the self in digital environments, we propose to use the term i-Narratives. Panelists will discuss their work with i-Narratives and the construction/deconstruction of self, a sense of self, its role in the construction of identity and its expressions, subjectivity, and narrative agency.

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Thursday, October 6

"Chinese's Engagement with Africa: The Myths and the Realities"

Sponsor: African Studies Center 12:00-





1:30 p.m., 201 International Center

Muna Ndulo, a professor at Cornell Law School, will speak as part of the African Studies Center's Eye on Africa seminar series.

African Tea

Sponsor: African Studies Center 4:00-6:00 p.m., 303 International Cetner

Learn, Share, Engage! This is an opportunity to learn about and share first-hand experiences on the African Continent. Rwanda and Uganda will be the focus of this tea.

Education Abroad Expo

Sponsor: Office of Study Abroad 12:00-6:00 p.m., Breslin Center

The Education Abroad Expo (formerly known as the Study Abroad Fair) is a comprehensive information event for anyone interested in learning more about the many exciting opportunities abroad available at Michigan State University. Hundreds of exhibits displaying information about MSU's more than 275 programs will provide a one-stop shopping experience. If you've ever thought about earning credit abroad, the Education Abroad Expo is the perfect place to begin your search.

Friday, October 7

"The Civilization of Clashes: Managing Moral Conflict"

Sponsors: Asian Studies Center, Global Studies in the Arts and Hummanities, Department of Communication,

Muslim Studies Program, and the Jewish Studies Program 4:00-5:30 p.m., 303 International Center

Don Ellis, a professor from the University of Hartford, makes the argument that we are failing to address difficult conflicts such as Israel-Palestine in the most propitious manner because theory and research are still too dependent on rational models of decision-making and cognition. This is typically because scholars ignore exclusivist principles rooted in ethnicity and religion. The lecture includes discussions of "difficult conversations" that result from narrative particularity and proposes various strategies for intervening in these difficult conversations that promise to unfreeze or close up gaps of incommensurability. Some of these strategies include dialogue, feetfirst approaches, counter attitudinal advocacy, reframing, re-categorization, identity widening, and others.

"Financing Education Abroad Information Session"

Sponsors: Office of Study Abroad and the Office of Fincancial Aid 3:00-4:00 p.m., 1279 Anthony Hall

Do you want to study abroad but are not sure how to pay for it? The Office of Study Abroad and the Office of Financial Aid have teamed up to offer you a workshop on finding funding for study abroad. Come learn about scholarships, financial aid and creative ways of financing study abroad.





Announcements

Blakemore Freeman Fellowships for Advanced Asian Language Study

Applications due: December 30, 2016

Grants for college graduates, graduate students, and working professionals for an academic year of advanced language study. The Blakemore Foundation provides its fellows with tuition plus a stipend to cover travel and living expenses at eligible language programs in East and Southeast Asia. Blakemore Freeman Fellows have found careers using an Asian language at a professional level in international business, accounting, law, medicine, journalism, STEM (science, technology, engineering, math), architecture, academia/teaching, social and NGO work, and government/public service. To apply online, please visit blakemorefoundation.org.

Schoenl Family Undergraduate Grant for Dire Needs Overseas

Applications are due February 25.

The purpose of the Schoenl Family Undergraduate Grant for Dire Needs Overseas is to identify and fund the most outstanding projects that 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. 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. Applications are available August 31. Inquiries should be directed to hcglobal@msu.edu.

ESPP-AgBioResearch Interdisciplinary Team Building Initiative

Application deadlines are April 15 and December 2, annually.

The Environmental Science and Policy Program and MSU AgBioResearch at Michigan State University are pleased to announce the next solicitation of Interdisciplinary Team Building Initiative (ITBI) proposals. The ITBI funding program is designed to promote collaboration among faculty researchers from different disciplines, with the goal of enhancing our capacity to grow broadly defined interdisciplinary environmental scholarship and to compete for external grants. The ITBI grants support the formation and operation of multiple workgroups centered on strategically important research areas including, but not limited to, water, global climate change, bioeconomy, invasive species, antimicrobials, and food systems. A workgroup consists of a small number (e.g., 2-5) of core faculty members from multiple disciplines who interact regularly with the goal of writing grant proposals, developing an interdisciplinary curriculum, or working on major multidisciplinary publications. Workgroup activities might include group meetings, presentations by group members, identification of and responses to grant opportunities, etc. Workgroup members are expected to maintain regular interactions towards clearly specified workgroup goals. The funds can be used for group meetings, workshops, visitors and invited speakers, travel to funding agencies, preliminary research, etc. Unlike a typical seed grant, an ITBI grant primarily supports interactions of faculty members who otherwise do not have the opportunity to collaborate. The initiative is pen to all MSU faculty members. An ITBI grant will provide funding for two years with a total amount of up to \$10,000.





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