

CENTER FOR ADVANCED STUDY OF INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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# From the Director's Desk

The core faculty and staff of the Center for Advanced Study of International Development at Michigan State University are pleased to present the Fall 2007 issue of the *CASID Update*, a comprehensive newsletter on our programmatic activities.



CASID is a multidisciplinary unit housed in the College of Social Science and organized in cooperation with the Office of the Dean of International Studies and Programs. CASID promotes and coordinates the study of issues related to international development from the perspective of the social sciences and liberal arts. CASID and the Women and International Development (WID) Program at MSU have been designated by the U.S. Department of Education as a Comprehensive National Resource Center for Foreign Language and International Studies and receive funding under Title VI of the Higher Education Act of 1965. In addition to a wide range of Title VI-funded programmatic activities, CASID also provides assistance to College of Social Science and other core faculty seeking external funding for cross-unit, cross-disciplinary international development research and scholarship activities in collaboration with MSU's Office of International Development (OID) and other international and area centers.

In this issue, we feature a wide range of international development-related teaching, research, and outreach activities that we have supported during the past year. We look forward to continuing our work in the coming year and the exciting opportunities that lay ahead.

Robert S. Glew, Ph.D. Acting Director

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# CASID Receives U.S. Department of State Funding for China Exchange Program for 2007–2008

CASID's Acting Director Robert Glew and Dean of International Studies and Programs Jeffrey Riedinger will partner with Renmin University in Beijing, China, and the Michigan Municipal League to strengthen institutional linkages between China and the United States and enhance the capabilities of China's social security administration. This government leadership training program will provide training for senior social security officials at the provincial level. The social security administration in China is encountering demands in the areas of capacity building, public policy development, policy implementation, and evaluation. Particular focus will be placed on how officials can more effectively respond to challenges and opportunities in public administration, the delivery of public services, enhancing accountability and transparency, and handling privatization. Participants will have an opportunity to gain hands-on experience with best practices related to U.S. federal, state, and local government management. The program will facilitate a continuing exchange between Chinese and U.S. participants and enhance understanding of how to develop and maintain effective public administrative systems that are affected by the challenges and opportunities facing China's social security system. This collaboration between MSU and Renmin University will also lead to additional opportunities for research and scholarship for faculty at both institutions.

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# CASID and WID Directors Visit Abuja for the Nigerian Exchange Program

Dr. Robert Glew, acting director of CASID; Dr. Anne Ferguson, director of WID; and Ann Allegra, international program coordinator, CASID, traveled to Abuja, Nigeria, in March 2007 for Phase I of the U.S Department of State-sponsored program, "Responsible Governance—A U.S.–Nigeria Exchange." The program is designed to strengthen institutional linkages between Nigeria and the United States, enhance the capacities of Nigeria's democratic institutions, and promote consolidation of Nigeria's democratic governance.

Phase I included program planning meetings with Dr. Etannibi Alemika and Dr. Victor Adetula from the University of Jos and a series of interviews with candidates to participate in the U.S. portion of the program in September 2007. The 17 final candidates were chosen

from a qualified pool of interviewees representing local government officials, nongovernmental representatives, faculty representatives, and the six regions of Nigeria. Individuals were also sought who would disseminate this information through networks to expand their learning to a wider audience in Nigeria and become engaged in activities to improve governance and citizen participation. Finalists expressed commitment to sustaining the program either in subsequent phases and/or in the development of future workshops and programming on good governance.

The program was developed in collaboration with MSU's African Studies Program and is in partnership with the University of Jos, Nigeria, and the Michigan Municipal League.



Left to right: Ms. Ann Allegra, MSU; Dr. Victor Adetula, University of Jos; Dr. Robert Glew, MSU; Dr. Anne Ferguson, MSU; and Dr. Etannibi Alemika, University of Jos.

# MSU Designated Hubert H. Humphrey Host Institution

Michigan State University has been designated again as a host institution for the prestigious Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program. This program, administered at MSU by CASID, brings accomplished midcareer professionals from developing countries to the United States for a year of study and related professional experiences. Its aim is to foster knowledge, mutual understanding, and a basis for long-lasting relationships between citizens of the United States and their professional counterparts in other countries. Today, MSU is one of 14 major U.S. universities chosen to host through a competitive process designed to ensure fellows access to the cutting edge in research and practice in their specialties.

During their fellowship year, Humphrey Fellows participate in professional development activities and graduate-level academic course work. The program is not a degree program but rather is designed to provide broad professional enrichment through a combination of activities tailored to each fellow's interests. All fellows participate in workshops and conferences that provide interaction with leaders from U.S. federal, state, and local governments; multinational organizations; and the private sector.

Host institutions are designated in five-year agreements. Michigan State University is in its second cycle as a host in the area of economic development. Many MSU colleges, academic units, and centers significantly contribute to and participate in the program at MSU. For more information, see <a href="http://www.casid.msu.edu/humphrey.shtml">http://www.casid.msu.edu/humphrey.shtml</a>.



The 2006–2007 Humphrey Fellows visit Washington, D.C.

# Jeffrey Riedinger Appointed Dean of ISP



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Dr. Jeff Riedinger was appointed dean of International Studies and Programs in June 2007. Dr. Riedinger has been serving as acting dean of ISP since 2005.

"Through his already significant service to the university, Dr. Riedinger has demonstrated that he possesses the practical skills and vision to advance the missions and goals of both ISP and the university," said MSU Provost Kim Wilcox.

Dr. Riedinger joined the MSU faculty in 1990 as an adjunct professor in the Department of Resource Development. He has

held several other positions since then, including associate professor in the same department; assistant dean and associate dean of ISP; professor in the Department of Community, Agriculture, Recreation and Resource Studies; coordinator of the Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program; and director of the Center for Advanced Study of International Development.

# Congratulations to MSU's Student Fulbright Award Recipients

Congratulations to the four MSU graduate students who were awarded Fulbrights in 2006–2007: Stephen Backman, teacher education; Aliah Carolan-Silva, teacher education; Marita Eibl, anthropology; and Nils Kauffman, educational policy.

A U.S. Department of Education, Title VI Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship from CASID and WID supported Marita during her studies at MSU. Marita studied Swahili to prepare for her doctorial research on ARV drug distribution among women in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.

# MSU's CIBER Hosts International Business Institute

The seventh Biennial International Business Institute for Community College Faculty was held this May at MSU's Kellogg Center. The IBI is a unique professional development program designed specifically for community and technical college faculty. The institute is designed to provide participants with the knowledge, experience, and resources they need to internationalize general business courses and/or develop specialized international business courses. This year's institute included 55 participants from 21 U.S. states, 2 Canadian provinces, and India.

The event was cosponsored by CIBERs at Colorado, Connecticut, Florida International, Illinois at Urbana—Champaign, Kansas, Memphis, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Purdue, South Carolina, Temple, Texas A & M, Washington, Wisconsin, the Center for Advanced Studies of International Development (CASID) at MSU, and NASBITE International.



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# CASID Supports the Midwest Institute for International/ Intercultural Education's Summer Workshops



The Midwest Institute for International/ Intercultural Education (MIIE) 2007 Summer Workshops, "Languages and Global Communica-

tion" and "International Conflict and Cooperation," offered faculty from postsecondary institutions an intensive weeklong learning environment in which they could discuss ways in which to internationalize the curriculum at their home institutions. MSU faculty Dr. Laurie Medina, Department of Anthropology, and Dr. Matt Zierler, James Madison College, along with Marilyn McCullough of MSU's Asian Studies Center, delivered sessions on their current research. The workshop was also supported by MSU's Women and International Development Program, the African Studies Center, and the Asian Studies Center.

MIIIE is a self-funded consortium of two-year colleges based at Kalamazoo Valley Community College. Its primary objective is to support curriculum and professional development by organizing curriculum workshops, fall and spring conferences, overseas projects for faculty and students, assistance with grant development, faculty mentoring, and professional networking.

# CASID Organizes Community Lecture Series

CASID and WID, in partnership with East Lansing Prime Time, organized the "Global Perspectives: International Lecture Series." The series, held at the East Lansing Hannah Community Center and running through the spring of 2006, brought together MSU faculty and advanced graduate students with senior members of the community to discuss pressing international issues.

# **MSU HUMPHREY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM**

he Humphrey Fellowship Program was initiated by President Carter in 1978 to honor the accomplishments of the late senator and vice president Hubert H. Humphrey. It is a Fulbright exchange program funded by the United States Congress through the Department of State and implemented by the Institute of International Education (IIE). The program brings accomplished midcareer professionals from developing countries to the United States to participate in professional development activities and graduate-level academic course work. A five-year agreement with the Department of State and IIE designates MSU as one of two host institutions in the area of economic development.

The aim of the Humphrey Program is to foster knowledge, mutual understanding, and a basis for long-lasting relationships between citizens of the United States and their professional counterparts in other countries. Fellowships are granted competitively to professional candidates with a commitment to service in both the public and private sectors.

CASID is the host unit that administers the Humphrey Fellowship Program at MSU.

# The MSU Humphrey Fellows for the 2006–2007 academic vear are:

**Mr. Boulou Akano,** Niger, director general of the Nigerian Tourism Promotion Center at the Ministry of Tourism in Niger. Mr. Akano studied ways to create a financial structure to help tourism development in his country.

Ms. Lima Frederick, Grenada, senior technical officer in the Ministry of Tourism, Civil Aviation, Culture, and the Performing Arts in Grenada. Ms. Frederick focused on public policy analysis and public administration to assist in the development of policies and better administration of the tourism sector in Grenada.

Mr. Farid Hasnaoui, Morocco, tax controller in the General Taxation Directorate in Morocco. Mr. Hasaoui is interested in economic policy, international taxation, and the taxation of e-commerce. During his Humphrey Year, Mr. Hasnaoui explored the implementation strategy of U.S. e-commerce taxation.

**Mr. Raimundo Hernandez,** Honduras, country manager for Gildan Active-Wear Inc., in Honduras. Mr. Hernandez focused on finance and human resource management.

Mr. Alejandro Herrera, Dominican Republic, coordinator of the Tourism Development Center at INTEC in the Dominican Republic. Mr. Herrera concentrated on tourism development, institutional reforms of public services, and macro- and sector impacts of tourism in the Dominican Republic.

#### Ms. Jennet Hojanazarova,

Turkmenistan, liaison officer in the Asian Development Bank in Turkmenistan. Ms. Hojanazarova studied political and financial institutions in the United States, focusing on the IMF, World Bank, and UNDP

**Mr. Zviad Kajaia,** Georgia, credit manager, JSC Standard Bank in Georgia. Mr. Kajaia worked to expand his knowledge in agribusiness credit management to implement new approaches for his bank, which

serves as the financial partner for tens of

thousands of farmers in Georgia.

**Ms. Maïmouna Kebe,** Senegal, inspector of Popular Education, Youth and Sports in the National Civic Service in the Youth Ministry. Ms. Kebe focused on studying the design and implementation of finance programs directed at youth, particularly using microfinance organizations as tools for socioeconomic youth development.

Mr. Bayan-Altai Luvsandorj, Mongolia, director of programs at Mercy Corps Mongolia. Mr. Luvsandorj explored the services and structures of the U.S. Small Business Administration and small NGOs to help him establish a similar Mongolian organization.

**Ms. Rose Ngalula,** Democratic Republic of Congo, auditor at Cour des Comptes in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Ms.

Ngalula worked to understand the budgetary mechanisms in the United States to help remedy the budget deficits in her country.

**Mr. Biswas Rai,** Nepal, senior human resources manager of the Chaudhary Group, one of the leading corporate houses of Nepal. Mr. Rai explored human resource topics, such as performance management, industrial relations, and training and development.

**Mr. Raùl Ruiz Barbot,** Uruguay, second chief in the Agricultural Department at the Insurance State Bank in Uruguay. Mr. Ruiz Barbot worked to develop his skill in planning national agricultural insurance projects.

**Dr. Yaowu Song,** China, vice president of the Harbin Association of Small and Middle-Sized Enterprises (SMEs) in China. He is also dean at the School of International Relations of Economics and Trade. Dr. Song visited local governments in several states.

Mr. Zharas Tugulbayev, Kazakhstan, regional project officer for the Business Advisory Services Programme of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development. Mr. Tugulbayev focused on the U.S. experience of preparing small and middle-sized enterprises for involvement in international trade.

During the program, Fellows take graduate-level courses and are paired with MSU faculty mentors with similar international development interests. Fellows also participate in workshops and conferences that provide interaction with leaders from U.S. federal, state, and local governments; multinational organizations; and the private sector. MSU does not accept or process fellowship applications, but more information can be found at the CASID website.



Front, left to right: Mr. Zharas Tugulbayev, Ms. Jennet Hojanazarova, Mr. Bayan-Altai Luvsandorj, Mr. Raùl Ruiz Barbot, Mr. Raimundo Hernandez, and Ms. Lima Frederick. Back, left to

right: Ms. Maïmouna Kebe, Dr. Yaowu Song, Mr. Alejandro Herrera, Mr. Boulou Akano, Mr. Farid Hasnaoui, Mr. Biswas Rai, Mr. Zviad Kajaia, and Ms. Rose Ngalula.

# **MSU Students Travel to Ghana to Conduct Field Research**

During summer 2007, three MSU students participated in a two-week study abroad program titled, "Grassroots Development in Ghana: Planning the Nkwantanananso Cultural Center of Techiman," under the supervision of Dr. Robert Glew, acting director of CASID. The students, Elaine Brantley (IDS), Leigh-Anne Goins (SOC), and Lindsay Robillard (JMC), participated in a social impact analysis of a community development project and assisted with research related to the planning of a cultural center in Techiman, Ghana. The summer program was implemented in collaboration with students and faculty from the University of Michigan and Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST) in Kumasi, Ghana. The University of Michigan (UM) students were supervised by UM faculty member Dr. Raymond Silverman while the KNUST students worked under the supervision of Mr. Gilbert Amagacher.

The local community envisions the proposed 10-acre site housing a museum, performance space, artisans in residence, and a library/research center. The cultural center will provide a space for the expression and celebration of Techiman's diverse religious and ethnic diversity. The center will also serve as a hub for the promotion of regional tourism and provide information on sites of interest and activities in the area. The university partners plan to provide opportunities for faculty and students to

conduct research in various fields related to the center's activities, including social science, the humanities, agriculture, environmental science, and education.

The students participated in predeparture activities held at MSU and UM that provided background to the project, an introduction to social science field methods, and an introduction to Ghanaian social/cultural, political, and economic systems. The field experience was created for students interested in international development studies who

seek a hands-on experience with a grassroots development project. During their two weeks in Techiman, students worked with the supervising faculty to interview community members to learn about residents' views on the proposed cultural center. Interviews focused on gaining an understanding of residents' views of perceived positive and negative impacts of the project and solicited views from a broad cross section of Techiman society.



Michigan State University, University of Michigan, and Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology students pose with the Techimanhene and his advisers.

# CASID ORGANIZES EVENING COLLEGE LECTURE SERIES

CASID and WID, in partnership with MSU's Lifelong Education Program, organized the Evening College "International Issues Speaker Series." The series, held at the Burcham Hills and Marquette Retirement Facilities, brought together MSU faculty and advanced graduate students with senior members of the community to look at how global and local systems interact and how the past shapes the present. Recent topics included orphan care in Malawi, domestic violence in Bulgaria, the historical context of the Israeli/Palestinian conflict, and corporate social responsibility in the global marketplace.

# LATTICE: Internationalizing the K-12 Curriculum

Linking All Types of Teachers to International and Cross-cultural Education (LATTICE) continues its ongoing project of assuring a global perspective in K–12 classrooms. The monthly half-day sessions include local K–12 teachers, administrators, MSU faculty, and international graduate students. This year the planning committee selected education as a year-long theme and examined this topic through the lens of various international issues, including gender, poverty, and ethnic diversity.

LATTICE is a collaborative project designed to link K–12 teachers with a cross-cultural education network that involves dynamic interaction on issues that concern educators throughout the world. The program is supported by CASID and MSU's College of Education, the Office of the Dean of International Studies and Programs, the African Studies Center, the Asian Studies Center, the Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, the Women and International Development Program, the Graduate School, and 10 mid-Michigan school districts. LATTICE provides Michigan teachers the opportunity to enrich their students' understanding of other countries and integrate this information into their curricula.

For more information on how to become a LATTICE member, contact CASID Outreach Coordinator Pamela Galbraith at 353-8571.



Sally McClintock and LATTICE co-directors present awards at the year-end session.

# CASID and WID Cosponsor Area Art Festivals

During the year, CASID and WID have cosponsored several local cultural events, including the first annual College of Communication Arts and Sciences' International Film Festival. The International Film Festival, held in November during International Education Week, featured several distinguished films from the Middle East. CASID and WID also provided support for the 2007 Great Lakes Folk Festival and sponsored screenings of international films during the tenth Annual East Lansing Film Festival.

# Partnership to Prepare Global and International Educators (P-GLIE) Provides Resources to Educators

CASID and WID cosponsored the P-GLIE project, a collaborative project to support global and international teaching in teacher education courses at Michigan State University and in Michigan K–12 schools. The partnership connects MSU departments and teaching faculty, area and thematic studies centers, MSU Libraries, LATTICE (Linking All Types of Teachers to International Cross-cultural Education), local K–12 teachers, and the East Lansing Public Libraries.

The partnership has already coordinated the Global and International Curriculum Resource Collection, a collection of teaching materials located in the International Center Library and available to MSU faculty, students, and local educators. P-GLIE also coordinated a weekly seminar series aimed at educators and designed to internationalize the curriculum.

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# **CASID Supports MSU Faculty Development**

With Support from Title VI funds from the U.S. Department of Education, CASID and WID have allocated resources for faculty International Development Research Initiation Grants (IDRIGs). The purpose of the IDRIG program is to stimulate innovative research proposals and to promote new knowledge about international development. CASID and WID also provide support to MSU faculty to present papers and serve as a discussant or panel chair on topics related to international development and/or gender relations at national conferences.



# 2006–2007 CASID and WID Travel Grant Recipients

#### **Dr. Susan Linz, Economics**

Traveled to Minneapolis, Minnesota, in March 2007 to attend the Midwest Economics Association annual meeting. Paper presented: "How does Personality Affect Performance in Transition Economies? A Comparative Analysis."

# Dr. Laurie Medina, Anthropology

Traveled to San Jose, California, in November 2006 to attend the annual American Anthropological Association meetings. Paper presented: "Pluralizing Environmental Subjectivities: A Case from Belize."

# Dr. Michael Schechter, James Madison

Traveled to Lake Placid, New York, in September 2006 to attend the annual meeting of the American Fisheries Society. Paper presented: "International Governance of Fisheries Ecosystems: Learning from the Past, Finding Solutions for the Future." Coauthored with Nancy Leonard, Fisheries and Wildlife.

# Danielle Steider, Linguistics and Languages

Traveled to the ACTFL Conference in Nashville, Tennessee, the IEPS meeting in Washington, D.C., and the NCOLCTL Conference in Madison, Wisconsin, during the 2006–07 academic year.

# 2006–2007 CASID and WID IDRIG Recipients:

# Dr. John Dirkx, Educational Administration

Traveled to Vietnam in January 2007 to assist Can Tho University in developing an adult and continuing education program within the Mekong Delta Region and to create ongoing collaborative relations between Can Tho and MSU.

#### **Dr. John Giles, Economics**

Traveled to China in February 2007 to begin the preliminary stages of a collaborative survey research effort on retirement and health in China. Dr. Giles's research will focus on the subtopics of labor supply and retirement decisions of older workers, and family networks and support for the elderly.

# Dr. Daniel Kramer, James Madison and Fisheries and Wildlife, Dr. Gerald Urquhart, Lyman Briggs

Traveled to Nicaragua in July 2007 to study the environmental impacts of increased socioeconomic integration associated with the construction of a new transisthmian highway in Nicaragua.

# Dr. Kristen Renn, Educational Administration

Traveled to Vietnam in January 2007 to assist Can Tho University in developing an adult and continuing education program within the Mekong Delta Region and to create ongoing collaborative relations between Can Tho and MSU.

# CASID and WID Host Teach-In on Global Climate Change



More than 70 MSU students, faculty, and local community members attended September's Teach-In to raise awareness of climate change. The all-day event included panel discussions, talks, and various student-coordinated campus events.

Dr. Joni Seager of York University in Toronto delivered the keynote address, "Climate Change: What's Gender Got to Do With It? (P.S. A Lot!)." Dr. Seager is an internationally renowned geographer, environmentalist, and feminist. She has worked with the United Nations Environmental Programme and is a member of the Scientific

Steering Committee of the international Global Environmental Change & Human Security project. She is the author of several books, among them *Earth Follies: Coming to Feminist Terms with the Global Environmental Crisis* and *The State of Women in the World Atlas*.

The panel "Global Climate Change: Science, Implications, and Adaptations" showcased the work of MSU's Climate and Land Interaction Project (CLIP). Members of the CLIP team discussed the science behind predictions of global warming, what the probable global effects of this climate change might be, and how localities in Michigan and East Africa could adapt to new climate conditions. Panelists included Drs. Jeff Andresen, David Campbell, Nathan Moore, and Jennifer Olson.

A final panel organized by Dr. Terry Link, MSU Office of Campus Sustainability, addressed questions of local solutions to global climate change. This panel offered advice on ways to reduce energy consumption in the home, office, and in-between, and highlighted local, regional, and state green projects.



**CASID Cosponsors** 

Coalition (MWC) hosted the conference, "China: Closer than You Think," at Henry Ford Community College in Dearborn this November. The conference presented expert analysis of issues and trends regarding the interrelationship between Michigan and China while exploring such topics as trade and investment, energy and environment, citizen diplomacy, and intellectual property rights. Specialists in business, government, industry, public service, and academia made presentations. More than 200 participants from the academic, NGO, and business community were present.

CASID has been a supporter of the Michigan and World Coalition activities since its inception in 2003. MWC is composed of a diverse group of institutions, professionals, and international exchange/global education nonprofit groups who share a common vision to strengthen and support nonprofit international NGOs statewide.



Dr. Robert Glew introduces the "Global Climate Change: Science, Implications, and Adaptations" panel.

# CASID International Development Grant Awards, 2006–2007

### Ravi Bhavnani, Political Science

This grant will support research on social capital and political violence in sub-Saharan Africa.

#### **Elizabeth Drexler, Anthropology**

This grant will support research on conflict and rule of law in Indonesia.

#### Anne Ferguson, Anthropology

This grant will support research on access to and quality of potable water and sanitation programs in southern Africa.

### Cynthia Simmons, Geography

This grant will support research on impacts associated with the Rio Madeira Dam and road projects in Brazil.

## Robert Walker and Cynthia Simmons, Geography, and Sabrina McCormick, Sociology

This grant will support an international workshop involving MSU and three Brazilian universities to collaborate on research on the environmental and social impacts of mega-project development in Brazil.

# Muskegon Community College's Global Awareness Festival: Focus on the Arab World

In February 2007, CASID participated in the Global Awareness Festival hosted by Muskegon Community College. The annual festival is designed to raise awareness of global issues, and was attended by more than 200 local community members, students, and faculty. This year's events and lectures focused on the Arab World. CASID, in cooperation with the Women in International Development Program, organized a panel in which Dr. Emine Evered of the Department of History and Dr. Mara Leichtman of the Department of Anthropology discussed their current research on gender and development in Eastern Europe.

# **CASID and WID Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowships**



CASID and WID award graduate fellowships under the Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship program of 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 a wider knowledge and understanding of other countries and cultures throughout the United States. CASID and WID FLAS Fellowships are awarded to graduate students enrolled in programs that combine the study of a modern foreign language with advanced training and research in international development studies. Academic year 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. Summer fellowship support includes the payment of tuition and fees (up to \$4,000) and a stipend of \$2,500. For information and application materials, please visit the CASID website at: http://www.casid.msu.edu/academic/fellowships.shtml.

#### CASID and WID FLAS Fellows, Academic Year 2006–2007

**Charlotte Cable,** Anthropology; Intermediate Arabic; gender, identity, and international development in Jordan and Syria.

**Cristine Chapman,** Anthropology; Beginning Arabic; transnational women's movements; gender and the Middle East.

**Marita Eibl,** Anthropology; Advanced Swahili; HIV/AIDS and medical anthropology in Tanzania.

**Andrea Freidus,** Anthropology; Advanced Chewa; orphan care and human rights in Malawi.

**Stefanie Kendall,** Teacher Education; Beginning Arabic; international education.

**Allison Loconto,** Sociology; Beginning Swahili; sustainability and corporate social responsibility in Tanzania.

**Rebecca Meuninck,** Anthropology; Intermediate Portuguese; relations between Latin American coffee growers and international sustainable development organizations.

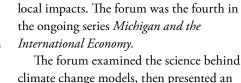
**Joel Christian Reed,** Anthropology; Beginning Portuguese; HIV/AIDS; ARV distribution and human rights in Mozambique.

# CASID Cosponsors *Michigan and the International Economy* Forum for State Legislators



A collaborative forum for state legislators and policy makers titled "Michigan and the International Economy: Climate Change and the Michigan Economy" was held on March 14, 2007. MSU faculty presented ongoing

Dr. Julie Winker, Department of Geography, participates in the "Michigan and the International Economy: Climate Change and the Michigan Economy" forum.



The forum examined the science behind climate change models, then presented an overview of changes already taking place in the Great Lakes region and likely future trends. Panelists then discussed the potential impact of these changes on key state economic sectors, including agriculture and the developing carbon market.

research on global climate change and its

Panelists included: Dr. Julie Winkler, Department of Geography; Dr. Jeffrey Andresen, Department of Geography; and Dr. David Skole, Department of Forestry.

In addition to CASID, the forum was sponsored by the following MSU programs and centers: the African Studies Center, the Asian Studies Center, the Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, the Institute for Public Policy and Social Research, the Office of the Dean for International Studies and Programs, and the Women and International Development Program.



# MSU Signs Linkage Agreement with KNUST, Ghana

GHANA CHANA

MSU's College of Social Science, College of Arts and Letters, College of Nursing, College of Osteopathic Medicine, and International Studies and Programs signed a linkage agreement with Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST), Kumasi, Ghana. The agreement is in collaboration with MSU's Center for Advanced Study of International Development, the African Studies Center, and the Women and International Development Program. The linkage agreement is intended to foster international cooperation in education and research on topics of mutual interest to MSU and KNUST. The agreement encourages academic collaboration between the faculty and staff of

MSU and KNUST and may include the following activities: the exchange of materials in education and research, publications, and academic information; the exchange of faculty and research scholars; the exchange of students; joint research and meetings for education and research; and technical assistance. Professor Kwasi Adarkwa, vice chancellor, and Professor Anthony Adimado, dean for international programs, signed the agreement on behalf of KNUST.

# Speakers Visit MSU to Discuss the UN Millennium Development Goals

CASID cosponsored the East Lansing visits of two distinguished speakers from the United Nations this fall. In October, Paul Ladd of the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) addressed issues concerning the implementation of Millennium Development Goal #8, "Creating a Global Partnership for Development." Mr. Ladd also spoke at several community venues. In November, Eveline Herfkens, the executive coordinator for the Millennium Campaign, talked about challenges in meeting all the goals and the commitments required from developed countries.

# **CASID and WID 2006–2007 Friday Forum**

The 2006–2007 Friday Forum included presentations by MSU and visiting scholars on a number of important issues related to international development.

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### **September 8**

Climate Change and Tourism: Implications for the developing world and climate change

Dr. Sarah Nicholls, CARRS and Geography

### September 15 \*

From War to Peace? Gender, Peace Processes, and Democratization in Northern Ireland

Dr. Katherine O'Sullivan See, James Madison College

Dr. Linda Racioppi, James Madison College

### September 29

Commercial Banking in Republic of Georgia

Zviad Kajaia, Hubert H. Humphrey Fellow

#### October 6\*

Evaluating Freedom in an Emergent Global Democracy: Reconstructing Africa's Third Wave

Dr. Rita Kiki Edozie, James Madison College

#### October 13

Agricultural Insurance Programs in Uruguay

Raul Ruiz Barbot, Hubert H. Humphrey Fellow

### October 20

Nomadic Herding in the Gobi Region of Mongolia: Economic Challenges

Bayan Luvsandorj, Hubert H. Humphrey Fellow

#### October 27

Fellow

Micro Finance for Youth in Senegal
Maimouna Kebe, Hubert H. Humphrey

#### **November 3\***

Water, Land, and Race: Farmers, Communities, Strategic Partners, and Social Justice in the Luvuvhu Catchment, South Africa

Dr. William Derman, Anthropology

#### November 10\*

Consolidating Democracy in the Democratic Republic of Congo: The Corruption Issue

Rose Ngalula, Hubert H. Humphrey

#### **November 17**

Challenges for the Tourist Industry in the Dominican Republic

Alejandro Herrera, Hubert H. Humphrey Fellow

### **December 1\***

Human Resource Management in Nepal

Biswas Rai, Hubert H. Humphrey Fellow

#### **December 8\***

Human Rights and Social Conditions in Senegal: The Problems of Talibe and Clandestine Emigration

Dr. Kenneth Harrow, English

## **SPRING, 2007**

## January 12\*

Addressing the Legacies of Mass Violence in East Timor

Dr. Elizabeth Drexler, Anthropology

### **January 19**

Political Ecologies of Poppy Production in Turkey

Dr. Kyle T. Evered, Geography

### January 26\*

Voters, but not yet Citizens: The Weak Demand for Vertical Accountability in Africa's Unclaimed Democracies

Dr. Carolyn Logan, Political Science

## February 2

Kingdom of Morocco: Heritage, Challenges and Prospects

Farid Hasnaoui, Hubert H. Humphrey Fellow

### **February 9**

Turkmenistan in Central Asia: Geopolitical and Economic Challenges of a Resource-Based Economy

Jennet Hojanazarova, Hubert H. Humphrey Fellow

### **February 16**

**Tourism Development in Niger** 

Boulou Akano, Hubert H. Humphrey Fellow

#### **February 23**

The Challenges Facing the Tourism Industry in Grenada after Hurricane Ivan

Lima Frederick, Hubert H. Humphrey Fellow

#### March 2

Similar Roads, Two Endings: Transaction Costs and Policy Making in Brazil and Ecuador

Dr. Carlos Pereira, Political Science

#### March 16

**Economic Revitalization in China's Northeastern Provinces** 

Dr. Yaowu Song, Hubert H. Humphrey Fellow

#### March 23

**Economic Challenges in Kazakhstan** 

Zharas Tugulbayev, Hubert H. Humphrey Fellow

#### March 30\*

Interrogating Human Rights in Japan: Transcending the Myth of the Homogeneous Nation

Dr. John Davis, Anthropology

### **April 6**

The Role of Guanxi in Buyer-Supplier Relationships in China

Dr. Brenda Sternquist, Advertising

### **April 13**

Outsourcing Integrated Production Processes in Central America: The Honduran Experience in Textiles

Raimundo Vidal Hernandez, Hubert H. Humphrey Fellow

### April 20

Globalization, Population Trends, and Health

Dr. Brendon Mullan, Sociology

## **April 27**

Reflections on the Humphrey Fellowship Experience

Hubert H. Humphrey Fellows

\*Focus Series: Human Rights, Democratization, and Conflict

# **Global and Area Thematic Initiative Awards for** 2006-2007



The Global Area and Thematic Initiative (GATI) is an effort of five MSU international centers to foster comparative and thematically oriented multidisciplinary programs of research and undergraduate or graduate training that are likely to bring national prominence to MSU in international and area studies. GATI links MSU's faculty and material resources in innovative ways to continue their national leadership in conceptualizing and acting on key transformations in international development. Initiatives funded by GATI, Academic Year 2006-2007, include:

Undefended Childhood in a Global Context: Structural Challenges to Schooling, Health and Well-Being Among World Indigenous Children, led by Dr. DeBrenna Agbenyiga, Social Work; Deborah Johnson, Family and Child Ecology; and Robert Hitchcock, Anthropology.

Resource Scarcity and Abundance: Oil, Democratization, and Conflict in the Niger Delta, led by Dr. Ravi Bhavnani, Political Science; Dr. Rita Kiki Edozie, James Madison; Dr. Jiaguo Qi, Geography; and Dr. Jennifer Olson, Geography.

Sustainable Planning, Design and Construction: Collaborative U.S.-India Research and Outreach, led by Dr. Matt Syal, Planning, Design and Construction; Dr. Rex LaMore, Planning, Design and Construction; Dr. Timothy Mrozowski, Planning, Design and Construction; and Dr. Maya Fischhoff, Environmental Science and Policy Program.

Political Economy, Governance and Security, led by Dr. Michael Colaresi, Political Science; Dr. Carlos Pereira, Political Science; Dr. Lori Post, Telecommunication, Information Studies, and Media; and Dr. Brian Silver, Political Science.

For more information on GATI, visit http://www.isp.msu.edu/gati.



# CASID and WID Sponsor Twenty-third Annual World Food Day Teleconference: Power of the People: Bottom-up Solutions to Fighting Hunger

MSU students and faculty had a chance to participate in the World Food Day Teleconference on Monday, October 16, 2006. This year's topic was the unique and potentially powerful role played by the hundreds of grassroots movements working for a world free of hunger. The discussion was a follow-up from the 2005 program, in which Frances Moore Lappè framed the issue of hunger not as a shortage of food but as a shortage of democracy. World Food Day is a worldwide event designed to raise awareness and understanding of hunger issues and to promote year-round activism to alleviate hunger.

A video of the teleconference is available to MSU faculty for use in courses at no charge and can be reserved by contacting the CASID office at 517/353-8570. Information packets on the World Food Day Teleconference are also available from CASID upon request. For other information on World Food Day activities or resources, contact Patricia Young, national coordinator for the U.S. national committee for World Food Day, at 202/653-2404.

# SPOTLIGHT:

# Lynn Lee and Kathy Hull



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CASID staff members Lynn Lee and Kathy Hull offer grant and contract administrative support to MSU faculty.

Lynn Lee joined the CASID staff in 2002 She holds a master of business administration degree in finance from Western Michigan University and has 12 years of experience working with various types of state and federal grants. She provides financial and administrative support for the office, assists with the development of grant proposals and budgets, and supervises student and office employees.

She also provides accounting and administrative

support for the Office of International Development.

Kathy Hull joined the CASID team in 2003 as a part-time budget specialist. She is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) and has an accounting degree from California State University, Fullerton. Using her experience in budgeting, finance, payroll, and human resources, Kathy oversees the budget component of grant proposals, proposal production, and other accounting and administrative support for both CASID and the Office of International Development.

Together with other CASID staff members, Lynn and Kathy assist College of Social Science faculty in reviewing funding program guidelines and policies, providing guidance in preparation of proposals and budgets, particularly in regard to the technical aspects of proposal preparation, including budgeting, subcontracting, and the completing of necessary forms and templates. They also assist in moving proposals through the MSU contract and grant administration process. CASID often serves as the administering unit for internation al development grant or contract work, handling the program and financial management of specific projects to ensure compliance with contract terms and conditions.

# 15 Years at Michigan State University

CASID staff member Helen J. Farr celebrated 15 years of MSU employment in March 2006. Helen first came to MSU in 1979, when she worked in the mathematics department, and has since worked with various departments and units throughout the university. Helen became the secretary for CASID in 2001. In 2003 she was presented with the Clerical-Technical Recognition Award, in recognition of her outstanding service.

"CASID is certainly the high point of my 15 year career at MSU," she said. "Everyone here has an important role to play and does it exceedingly well. Teamwork and mutual respect continue to be the key to our successes."

# **Curriculum Development Grants Awarded for International Development** Courses

The following faculty received CASID and WID 2006-2007 curriculum development grants to create and to revise undergraduate and graduate courses related to international development and/or gender relations with Title VI funds from the U.S. Department of Education.

Dr. Ehsan Ahmed, French, Classics and Italian; Dr. Stephen Deng, English; Dr. Sandra Logan, English; Dr. Kathryn Lowerre, Music; Dr. Frederick Rauscher, Philosophy; Dr. Catherine Ryu, Linguistics and Languages; and **Dr. Ethan Segal, History.** Develop a new graduate-level course on "The Nature of Nature in the Medieval and Premodern Worlds."

**Dr. Ana Bodea, Political Science.** Revise PLS 160: Introduction to International Relations.

Dr. Sue Grady, Geography. New undergraduate course on population geography.

Dr. Lynn Makau and Dr. Jennifer Williams, English. New course on transnational feminisms.

Dr. Rebecca Malouin, Family Medicine. New course in international health.

Dr. Richard Peterson, Philosophy. New undergraduate core course for peace and justice studies.



# Visit the CASID Staff in the International Center

CASID is located, along with the Office of International Development (OID), in Room 202 of the International Center. CASID continues to focus on its core missions of (1) enhancing its leadership role (in partnership with WID) as a U.S. Department of Education designated and funded National Resource Center (NRC) for Foreign Language and International Studies; and (2) diversifying and expanding the contract and grant portfolio of CASID, the College of Social Science, and MSU for cross-unit interdisciplinary international development research, teaching, and outreach. CASID and OID provide complementary support to MSU faculty. CASID assists faculty in developing proposals to fund such initiatives with the College of Social Science; OID assists faculty to do the same across the university.



Front, left to right: Robert Glew, Andrea Freidus, Jeff Riedinger, and Stacia Welter. Back, left to right: Ann Allegra, MaryAnne Walker, Kathy Hull, Pamela Galbraith, Helen Farr, and Lynn Lee.

