



Center for Advanced Study of International Development

EVENTS

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February 1, 2015

Week of February 1

Sunday, February 1

Film Screening: "Last Days of Vietnam"

Sponsor: Asian Studies Center
See Studio C schedule for film times.,
Studio C, 1999 Central Park Drive,
Okemos

Nominated for an Academy Award
for the Best Documentary Feature,
"Last Days in Vietnam" tells the story
of the final weeks of the Vietnam
War. The film runs at Studio C
through Thursday, February 5.

Tuesday, February 3

"The EU and its Working Definition of Anti-Semitism"

Sponsors: Center for European,
Russian, and Eurasian Studies
(CERES) and James Madison College
7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. James Madison
College Library, 322 South Case Hall

Amy Elman, Kalamazoo College, will
deliver a lecture titled "The EU and
its Working Definition of Anti-
Semitism", the topic of her recent
book.

"All the Trees of the Forest: The Extraordinary Story of Israel's Woodlands"

Sponsor: Forestry
4:00 p.m., 225 Natural Resources

Alon Tal, Blausten Institute of Desert
Research, Ben Gurion University, Israel,
will speak as part of the Forestry Hanover
Seminar Series.

Wednesday, February 4

"Green Revolution 2.0: Biodiversity as a Shock Absorber in Agriculture, Evidence from Malawi"

Sponsor: Economics
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m., Koo Room of
Marshall-Adams Hall

Maksym Ivanyna, Ph.D. candidate in
Economics, Michigan State University, will
speak as part of the Department of
Economics' Development Lunch Series.



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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.

Culture, Science, Sustainability and Entrepreneurship in China

Tuesday, February 3
11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m., 410 Justin S. Morrill Hall of Agriculture

Culture, Science, Sustainability and Entrepreneurship in China

Wednesday, February 4
5:30 p.m.—6:30 p.m., C208 Rather Hall



Thursday, February 5

“Neo-Colonialism or Foreign Direct Investment: Analysis of International Land Acquisitions in Africa”

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

Comlanvi Sitou Akibode, graduate student in African American and African Studies, will speak as part of the African Studies Center’s Eye on Africa Lecture Series.

“Poets Without Borders”

Sponsor: Residential College in the Arts and Humanities (RCAH)
6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., RCAH Theater in Snyder Philips Hall

Come to a night of poetry read in any language except English! The goal of Poets Without Borders is to feature the unique works of poetry from various cultures in their native and untranslated form. All are welcome, whether you want to represent another culture or just come listen. Food and drink will be provided.

Friday, February 6

“Unpacking Your Study Abroad Experience”

Sponsor: Study Abroad
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m., 113 Student Services Building

The Career Services Network and Office of Study Abroad offer an interactive and highly informative workshop designed to help students effectively present their study abroad experience in their résumé and application cover letters, during job interviews, and in graduate school applications.

“Emergence and Interference of Clones in Populations, Glassy Aspects of Evolution”

Sponsor: Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
11:30 a.m., 1400 Biomedical and Physical Sciences

Marija Vucelja, Center for Studies in Physics and Biology, The Rockefeller University, will speak as part of the Science at the Edge Series.

Week of February 8

Monday, February 9

“Spirituality After Darwin: ‘Dark Green’ Nature Religion and the Future of Religion and Nature”

Sponsors: Philosophy and Forestry
7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., 115 International Center

Bron Taylor, Professor of Religion, Nature and Environmental Ethics at The University of Florida, will speak as part of the Religious Studies Lecture Series.

Tuesday, February 10

Film Screening: “The Lost River”

Sponsor: Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum

Centered in a remote village on the Loess Plateau in Shaanxi Province, director Tian Bo revisits his hometown to tell the tale of this ancient village in the process of development. From communal rituals to the election of a village committee to agricultural policy, “The Lost River” unveils the old and new within the village’s transformative development.



Global Business Club of Mid-Michigan Celebrates Michigan Agriculture Exporter of the Year

Sponsors: Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce; Lansing Community College; CASID; the Center for Gender in Global Context; Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith, P.C., and "The Greater Lansing Business Monthly"
 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., MSU Henry Center for Executive Development

This program offers a full morning of presentations on topics in exporting--applicable to all companies interested in expanding overseas, with a special focus on issues important to agricultural companies. Our luncheon speaker is Steven Cooper, the CEO and General Manager of Continental Dairy Facilities LLC. Continental Dairy is the winner of the 2014 Michigan Agricultural Exporter of the Year award. The cost of the session is \$15 for students and \$35 for other attendees. To register, go to: <http://global.broad.msu.edu/gbclub>

"Translation Conversation: 'How Does Language Influence Experience'"

Sponsor: Residential Center in the Arts and Humanities (RCAH) Center for Poetry
 7:00 p.m., C202 Snyder

Join the RCAH Center for Poetry for an evening conversation on translation and language. At this Center for Poetry event, RCAH language Mentors will lead a discussion on how an experience—perhaps an everyday, familiar event—changes as a result of the language used. How are our behaviors changed? How are we changed? Come to share your second language experiences—from shopping at the market to debating world politics.

Wednesday, February 11

"Shen Yun"

Sponsor: The Wharton Center
 8:00 p.m., The Wharton Center

This show will feature classical Chinese dance, a full orchestra, exquisite costumes, and animated backdrops. Through dance, Shen Yun strives to revive authentic Chinese culture and share its beauty with the world. The show will also be presented on Thursday, February 12.

Thursday, February 12

"Uncertainty: Managing an Epidemic under Conditions of Precarity"

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

Mike McGovern, Associate Professor in Anthropology, University of Michigan, will speak as part of the African Studies Center's Eye on Africa Lecture Series.

African Tea Time

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

Lesotho, South Africa and Swaziland will be the focus of this African Tea Time.

Friday, February 13

"New Material TITLE Printing Processes for Flexible Electronics"

Sponsors: Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
 11:30 a.m., 1400 Biomedical and Physical Sciences

C. Daniel Frisbie, Distinguished McKnight University Professor, Chemical Engineering and Materials Science, University of Minnesota, will speak as part of the Science at the Edge Lecture Series.





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Seeing China: Photographic Views and Viewpoints

Sponsor: The Michigan State University Museum

Location: MSU Museum

Exhibit Dates: January 19 - August 30, 2015

"Seeing China" features photographs of China by six contemporary Western photographers, and stereographs, from the MSU Museum's history collection, which were made in China between 1901 and 1905. The exhibit challenges viewers to consider the effects of environmental change and political responsibility, rapid urbanization and economic expansion, human and civil rights, and cultural diversity and change.

South Asia Summer Language Institute

Sponsor: Asian Studies Center

Program Dates:

June 5 - August 7, 2015

The South Asia Summer Language Institute (SASLI) based at the University of Wisconsin-Madison is offering intensive summer courses in the following South Asian languages: Bengali, Gujarati, Hindi, Malayalam, Marathi, Pashto, Sanskrit, Sindhi, Sinhala, Tamil, Telugu, Tibetan and Urdu. **Applications for Summer 2015 are now being accepted.** Funding is also available. For application materials and funding information, go to: <http://sasli.wisc.edu/funding.html>

Nelson Mandela Museum/Michigan State University Museum Curatorial Fellowship Program for Summer and Fall 2015

Sponsors: The Michigan State University Museum and the Graduate School

Curatorial fellowships support graduate student community-engaged research, education, collection management, and exhibition projects based at the Nelson Mandela National Museum and the Michigan State University Museum. The Nelson Mandela Museum/Michigan State University Museum Curatorial Fellowship Program is one of many MSU programs that help meet post-apartheid South Africa's challenge to document, preserve, and interpret history and expressive culture.

Curatorial fellowship projects will be conducted during the summer and fall semesters. Ten weeks of the summer semester will be spent in South Africa (with at least eight weeks working full-time at the Mandela Museum based in Mthatha) and the following fall semester will be spent working part-time at the MSU Museum.

This program is for graduate MSU students with interests in scholarly and teaching careers based in museums and/or universities. The program welcomes applicants from any college but the focus is on museum-based research and education related to cultural heritage. Fellows will be encouraged and supported to disseminate project results on websites, at conferences, and/or in peer-reviewed journals. **Applications must be submitted on or before Friday, February 13, 2015.** For further information or questions regarding the program, please contact the program coordinators Dr. C. Kurt Dewhurst (517-355-2370 or dewhurs1@msu.edu) or Dr. Marsha MacDowell (517-355-2370 or macdowel@msu.edu).



MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

**The Center for Advanced Study of International Development
& The Center for Gender in Global Context Invites
Undergraduate and Graduate Applications for**

2015-2016 Academic Year Fellowships

&

2015 Summer Intensive Language Fellowships under the

**U.S. Department of Education, Foreign Language and Area
Studies Fellowships (FLAS) Program**

The FLAS Fellowship program:

- Is for students combining the study of a modern foreign language with training in international development studies or in the international development aspects of professional or other fields of study. Awards will be made in the following languages:

Arabic	French	Indonesian	Korean	Portuguese	Swahili	Tamil	Turkish	Vietnamese
Chinese	Hindi	Japanese	Persian/Farsi	Russian	Spanish	Thai	Uzbek	Zulu

- Supports students interested in issues related (but not limited) to the following: Global Food, Agriculture, and Environment; Livelihood Strategies, Economics, and Governance; Education and Health Disparities; Violence, Conflict, and Conflict Resolution; and Identities, Representations, and Human Rights.
- Meets a critical need for specialists in American education, government, and other services of a public and/or professional nature who will utilize their skills to develop a wider knowledge and understanding of other countries and cultures.

Undergraduate awards are worth up to **\$15,000** per academic year. Graduate awards are worth up to **\$33,000** per academic year. Summer awards are worth up to **\$7,500**.

Applications are due **February 13, 2015**. FLAS eligibility requirements and application materials are available online at <http://casid.isp.msu.edu/academic/fellowships.htm> Questions regarding the program should be directed to Jennifer Brewer at brewer13@isp.msu.edu.



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CASID and GenCen Are Accepting Graduate and Undergraduate FLAS Fellowship Applications

The Center for Advanced Study of International Development (CASID) and the Center for Gender in Global Context (GenCen) invites undergraduate and graduate applications for 2015-2016 academic year fellowships and 2015 summer intensive language fellowships under the U.S. Department of Education, Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowships (FLAS) Program. Awards will be made for the following languages:

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Chinese	Japanese	Russian	Thai
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