



Expanding African Curricula at Community Colleges
Joint Project of the
Midwest Institute for IIE and African Studies Center, Michigan State University

Workshop Program

9:00 am - 10:45 am Prof. Jamie Monson

- i. *Exploring the long and complex History of China – Africa Relations in Global Context.*

Sub-themes:

1. 2000 years of contact and engagement—Pre-Cold War
2. Cold War Articulations: Complexity and Ambiguity in China's cross sectorial engagements.

10:45am -11:00 Break

11:00 am - 12:45 pm Prof. Tibebe Eshete

- ii. *Essential themes to understanding Africa's rich and diverse history and cultures:*

1. *Africa: Cradle of Humankind*
2. *Richly diverse pre-colonial history*
3. *Africa-Europe*

12.45 pm - 1:30 pm Lunch Break

1.30 pm - 3:15 pm Prof. Leo Zulu

- iii. *Examining the diverse impact of climate change on Africa. Sub-themes:*

1. Overview of the current environmental and geographic realities of climate change in Africa.
 - a. Climate change and agricultural/food production
 - b. Climate change and health/physical wellbeing
 - c. Climate change and economic wellbeing and productivity
 - d. Climate change and political stability—relationship to civil unrest
2. Climate change and migration

3.15 pm - 3:30 pm Break

3:30 pm - 5: 15 pm Prof. Jeffrey Conroy-Krutz

- iv. *Challenges of Governance in Africa: Democracy. Sub-themes:*

1. Brief overview of the diversity of systems of governance in pre-colonial Africa
2. Nature and Legacy of the Colonial State: Structures of Authoritarianism and the Underdevelopment of political and economic capacity; examples of countries on positive trajectory.