This year, 16 Africa Workshop alumni (including participants and co-leaders) will be facilitating a panel discussion or presenting their research at the Africa Studies Association’s Annual Meeting. Additionally, Aili Tripp (2010 Africa Workshop co-leader) is the current President of ASA and will deliver this year’s Presidential Lecture. See below for more information:

Thursday

Thursday, Nov 29, 4:30 PM
IV--D--4 Roundtable: Teaching African Politics
   • Fridy, Kevin, University of Tampa (2009 co-leader)
   • Bowman, Warigia, University of Arkansas (2011 participant)

IV--H--11 Challenges of Policy Reform: Case Studies
   • Discussant: Hoon, Parakh, Virginia Tech (2012 co-leader)

Friday

Friday, Nov 30, 8:30 AM
V--N--21 From the Voting Booth to a Better Life: Exploring the Linkages Between Democracy and Improved Policy Outcomes
   • Azizou, Chabi Imorou, Institute for Empirical Research in Political Economy, Benin (2008 participant)
   * Ethnic Identity and Citizen Oversight of Local Governance in Benin

V--R--26 Institutions and Democracy
   • Kivuva, Joshua, University of Nairobi (2011 participant)
   * Tensions of Democratic Transition in Africa: A Comparative Study of Kenya, Uganda and Zambia

V--O--24 State-Society Dynamics of Insurgency
   • Chair: LeVan, Carl, American University (2011 co-leader)

Friday, Nov 30, 10:30 AM
VI--D--4 Staying in Power by Elections
   • Smith, Daniel A., University of Florida (2009 co-leader)
   * Explaining Rejected Ballots in Ghana

Friday, Nov 30, 12:30 PM
Presidential Lecture: “Gender, Power and Women’s Rights in Post-conflict Africa”
   • Aili Tripp, University of Wisconsin-Madison (2010 co-leader)
Friday, Nov 30, 4:30 PM
VIII--H--12 Local Collective Action in Africa
  • Chair: Hoon, Parakh, Virginia Tech, (2012 co-leader)
  *Revisiting Theories of African Political and Economic Development and Botswana's Miracle

Saturday

Saturday, Dec 1, 8:30 AM
IX--G--10 Education and Citizenship in Africa
  • Chair: MacLean, Lauren, Indiana University-Bloomington, (2012 co-leader)
  • Bleck, Jaimie, University of Notre Dame, (2009 participant)
  *Transmitting Citizenship: Radio and Political Information in Rural Mali

IX--O--24 When Democracy Disappoints: Reconsidering the Origins of Political Instability and Policy Failure
  • LeVan, Carl and Eisenstadt, Todd, American University (2011 co-leaders)
  *Between Parchment and Practice: The Impact of Constitutional Changes Since 1990

Saturday, Dec 1, 10:30 AM
X--M--23 Theorizing Grassroots Women's Activism (Part II)
  • Kang, Alice, University of Nebraska-Lincoln (2010 participant)
  *Theorizing Women's Activism in Africa: The Roles of Gender and Political Institutions

Saturday, Dec 1, 2:30 PM
XI--H--14 In Search for Good Governance: Information, Civic Engagement and Artificial Borders
  • Michelitch, Kristin, New York University (2009 participant)
  *Good Morning Timbuktu! The Impact of Radio in Rural Islamic Africa

XI--O--29 Comparative Lessons in Post-Conflict Politics
  • Vanderpoel, Rachel, Northwestern University (2011 participant)
  *Beyond Disorder: Civilian-Insurgent Bargains in Wartime Eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo

Saturday, Sep 1, 2:00 PM
XII--M--26 Some Impacts of Women’s Increasing Political Leadership in Africa
  • Chair: Kang, Alice, University of Nebraska (2010 participant)
  • Bauer, Gretchen, University of Delaware (2010 co-leader)
  *Women Chiefs in Botswana as Symbolic Representation Effect of More Women in Politics

XII--O--30 Post-Conflict Politics in Côte d'Ivoire
  • Discussant: Boone, Catherine, University of Texas (2008 co-leader)

XII--O--31 International Institutions and African Interventions
  • Chair: Asante, Richard, University of Ghana-Legon (2011 participant)
  *An Inquiry into the Problem of Trust in Africa?