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This year, 25 Africa Workshop alumni (including participants and co-leaders) have been selected to facilitate a panel discussion or present their research at the Africa Studies Association's Annual Meeting. See below for more information:

Thursday

Thursday, Nov 21, 8:30 AM

I--B--1 African Conservation Landscapes: Emerging Trends and Contending Debates

- *Militarization of African Wildlife Conservation? Embedding of Anti-Poaching and the Hidden Role of the Botswana Defense Force*; Parakh Hoon, Virginia Tech (2012 co-leader)

I--O--2 Conflict, Migration, and Victimization

- *Victims and Agents: Explaining Civilian Self-Protection During Conflicts*
Peace Medie, Independent (2010 participant)

I--P--3 Roundtable: The 2013 Kenyan Elections: A 'triumph of democracy'?

- Karuti Kanyinga, University of Nairobi (2011 co-leader)

I--P--4 Designing Elections and Electoral Outcomes in Africa

- *Gaming the System- Unequal Representation and Rural Bias in African Single Member District Elections*; Catherine Boone, London School of Economics & Political Science (2008 co-leader)

I--I--2 The Transnational Mobility of Sexual Morality: The U.S. Religious Right and African Sexual Diversity Struggles

- *A Political Theology and Eschatology of Imported and Exported Homophobia in Africa*
S. N. Nyeck, Clarkson University (2009 participant)

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II--P--1 Regime Characteristics and Service Delivery

- *'Clean Water is Not Political': The Politics of Providing Services Sociaux De Base in Rural Senegal*
Martha Wilfahrt, Cornell University (2012 participant)

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III--K--2 The Architectures of Death

- *Mortuary Rituals, Mourning, and Afterlife: Differences and Cohesion Among Sub-Groups of Orisha Devotees in Trinidad*; Josiah Olubowale, University of the West Indies, St. Augustine (2011 participant)

III--P--1 Strength in Numbers: Capturing the Relationship between the Home Country's Political and Social Dynamics and Africa's Diaspora

- Chair: Warigia Bowman, University of Arkansas - Clinton School of Public Service (2011 participant)
- *Migration Behaviours in Northern Ghana: A Gendered Perspective*
Felicia Safoa Odame, University for Development Studies (2012 participant)
- *Citizenship, Authenticity, and Belonging in Europe and Ghana: The Case of the Ghanaian Migrant*
Maame Gyekye-Jandoh, University of Ghana (2009 participant)
- *Ethiopia: Migration and State Strategies Towards the Diaspora*
Solomon Mebrie Gofie, Addis Ababa University (2011 participant)

III--P--2 Exploring the Accountability Gap I: Mechanisms and Modes of Accountability

- Discussants: Boniface Dulani, University of Malawi (2013 participant)

Thursday, Nov 21, 4:30 PM

IV--I--2 We Thought That Men Had to Lead, But Now We See Differently: Investigating and Engaging Empowerment on Women's Terms

- *Inheriting the Castrator: Somali Women Transforming Home and Diaspora*
Ladan Affi, Qatar University (2011 participant)

IV--R--2 Roundtable: Writing for the Interdisciplinary African Studies Review

- Catherine Boone, London School of Economics & Political Science (2008 co-leader))

Friday

Friday, Nov 22, 8:00 AM

V--N--2 Digital Technology and Mobility in Africa

- *Tweets of No Nation: The Correlation between Twitter Sentiment and Public Opinion in Nigeria*
Matthew Kirwin, US State Department (2008 participant)

V--P--4 Gender, Ethnicity, and Patronage in African Cabinets

- Chair: Alice Kang, University of Nebraska at Lincoln (2010 participant)
- *Parties or Portfolio? The Economic Consequences of Africa's Big Cabinets*
Carl LeVan, American University - School of International Service (2011 co-leader)

V--P--5 Reconfiguring the Sahel: The Regional Effects of the Malian Crisis

- *Resilience in the Face of Crisis: A Comparison of State Response in Chad and Burkina Faso*
Daniel Eizenga, University of Florida (2013 participant)
- *The Malian Collapse and the Reconfiguration of Sahelian States*
Leonardo Villalon, University of Florida - Center for African Studies (2013 co-leader)

V--R--2 Roundtable: Telling our Story Part I: Positioning African Studies to Thrive within Changing Research and Political Landscapes

- Aili Tripp, University of Wisconsin, Madison (2010 co-leader)

Friday, Nov 22, 10:00 AM

VI--L--1 The Political Economy of Affordable and Unaffordable Housing in Urban Africa

- *Networks and the Politics of Access: Affordable Housing in Urban Ghana*
Jeffrey W. Paller, University of Wisconsin - Madison (2012 participant)

VI--O--3 Security and the Military in Africa

- *Sectarian Rebellions in Post-Transition Nigeria Compared*
Carl LeVan, American University - School of International Service (2011 co-leader)

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VII--O--2 Roundtable: Reflecting on the Ways Forward in Mali, Part I

- Jamie Bleck, University of Notre Dame (2009 participant)

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VIII--B--2 Public Procurement Reform in Africa: History, Regulation, and Practice

- Chair: S. N. Nyeck, Clarkson University (2009 participant)

Saturday

Saturday, Nov 23, 8:00 AM

IX--L--1 Niamey, Niger: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on an African City

- Discussants: Leonardo Villalon, University of Florida - Center for African Studies (2013 co-leader)

IX--N--1 Informational Migration and Flows in the African Context: The Political Impact of Information and Communication Technologies in Africa

- *ICT in Kenya: Has Technology Affected Electoral Outcomes?*
Warigia Margaret Bowman, University of Arkansas - Clinton School of Public Service (2011 participant)

IX--O--2 International Peacemaking in Africa

- Chair: Laura Thaut, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities (2011 participant)

IX--P--5 Politics and Religion in Sub-Saharan Africa

- *Determinants of Muslim Educational Attainment in Africa: A Comparison of Nigeria and Uganda*
Melina Platas Izama, Stanford University (2013 participant)

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X--P--1 Colonial Legacies

- *Minding the Gap: Colonial Institutions and Education Policy in Ghana*
Ryan C. Briggs, American University - School of International Service (2011 participant)

X--P--4 Group Dynamics in Democratic Election: Exploring Minorities, Bloc Voting and Coalitions in Africa

- *Vote-Mobilizing Potential, Opposition Party Strategies, and Coalition-Building in Senegal*
Catherine Kelly, Harvard University (2013 participant)

Saturday, Nov 23, 4:45 PM

XII--I--1 Democratization in Africa: Implications for Women and LGBTs

- *Attitudes Toward Homosexuality in Sub-Saharan Africa*
Boniface Dulani, University of Malawi (2013 participant)

XII--M--6 Historical Perspectives on States, Markets and Development in Africa: Origins, Trajectories, Legacies

- Discussants: Catherine Boone, London School of Economics & Political Science (2008 co-leader)

XII--O--2 Ethnicity, Religion, and Conflict

- *Fighting for Faith or Tribe? The Divergent Roles of Tribal and Religious Identities in Nigeria's Communal Violence*; Laura Thaut, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities (2011 participant)