



GWENDOLEN M. CARTER CONFERENCE

March 21-22, 2024

CAS@60: NEW DIRECTIONS IN AFRICAN STUDIES

THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 2024, REITZ UNION, ROOM 3315

9:00AM – 9:15AM INTRODUCTION AND WELCOMING REMARKS

9:15AM – 11:00AM PANEL 1

Politics of the Environment

Panel convenor: **Sebastian Elischer**

Speakers:

- **Alex Osei-Kojo**, University of Tennessee: 'Rethinking Policy Change Analysis in the Advocacy Coalition Framework'
- **Lauren MacLean**, Indiana University: 'The Political Economy of Climate Change, Energy Poverty, and the Exercise of Citizenship in Ghana'
- **Zainab Usman**, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace: 'Rethinking Natural Resources Governance in Africa for a Low-carbon Future'

11:00AM – 11:15AM COFFEE BREAK

11:15AM – 1:00PM PANEL 2

Innovative Ways of Teaching about Africa

Panel convenor: **Agnes Leslie**

Speakers:

- **Barbara McDade-Gordon**, University of Florida: 'Collaboration and forging partnerships with various communities including business, school board and the impact on K-12, Colleges and Communities'
- **Mandisa Haarhoff**, Pennsylvania State University: 'Creative Ways of Teaching about Africa Through the Arts: On the Edge: Between Traditional and Modern Performance in Africa'
- **Nicole A. Harris**, MSIDT, 2021 Alachua County Teacher of the Year, Chief Learning Officer of Nicole Harris Learning Solutions, LLC: 'Innovative Ways of Infusing Africa and the Diaspora in the K-12 Curriculum'

1:00PM - 2:15 PM LUNCH

2:15PM - 4:00PM PANEL 3

SRG roundtable: Collaboration between Scholars, Practitioners, and Local Partners in Conflict Affected Areas: Drawing Lessons from the Sahel

Panel convenors: Leonardo Villalón and Olivier Walther

Participants:

- **Leonardo Villalón**, University of Florida
- **Ibrahim Yahaya Ibrahim**, Deputy Director, Sahel Project, International Crisis Group:
- **Jean-Hervé Jézéquel**, International Crisis Group and University of Bordeaux
- **Renata Serra**, University of Florida
- **Olivier Walther**, University of Florida

4:00PM - 4:30PM COFFEE BREAK

4:30PM - 5:30PM CAS@60: CELEBRATING THE PAST, LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

To celebrate CAS's 60th anniversary, former directors and leaders of the Center recall its achievements and discuss how African studies has changed.

Speakers: Abe Goldman, Luise White, Barbara McDade-Gordon, Peter Schmidt, Leonardo Villalón

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8:45AM – 10:30AM PANEL 4

Youth and Generation in Africa

Panel convenor: **Abdoulaye Kane**

Speakers:

- **Didier Gondola**, Johns Hopkins University: 'Youth and Masculinities in (Post)Colonial Kinshasa'
- **Adeline Masquelier**, Tulane University: 'Figuring the Girl in Niger'
- **Andrew Ivaska**, Concordia University: 'Respect, Resentment, Revolt: Youth and Power in Movement Life'

10:30AM – 10:55AM COFFEE BREAK

10:55AM – 12:40PM PANEL 5

Global Health in the 21st century

Panel convenor: **Sarah McKune**

Participants:

- **Joe Bisesi**, University of Florida
- **Torben Becker**, University of Florida
- **Liz Devos**, University of Florida
- **Beth Virnig**, University of Florida
- **Taiba Afaa**, University of Ghana

12:40PM – 2:00PM LUNCH

2:00PM – 3:45PM PANEL 6

Rethinking African Studies

Panel convenor: **Miles Larmer**

Speakers:

- **Bright Gyamfi**, University of California San Diego: 'The Duality of African Studies: An Instrument of Colonial Exploitation and Catalyst for Liberation'
- **Harry Odamtten**, Santa Clara University: 'A University in the Interior: Imperial Epistemologies and Centering Africa in African Studies'
- **Felwine Sarr**, Duke University: 'How do we know Africa?'

4:30PM RECEPTION, BRYAN HALL, ROOM 232