PEOPLE

Nango Dembele was awarded the title of *Chevalier de l’Ordre National du Mali*. Malian President Ibrahim Boubacar Keita granted the award in recognition of his longstanding contributions to food security and improved agricultural policies in Mali. A former faculty member and alumnus (PhD 1994) of AFRE, Dr. Dembele is currently Minister and Food Security Commissioner of Mali.

SEMINARS

AFRE Seminar

Steven Deller, University of Wisconsin. “Local Foods and Rural Economic Growth.” Thursday, January 29, 3:30pm, Room 75, Morrill Hall of Agriculture

Brown Bag Seminars


Ayala Wineman, PhD student, MSU. “Qualitative-Quantitative Methods in Development Economics: A Migration Story from Tanzania.” February 3, 11:50am, Room 75 Morrill Hall of Agriculture.

PUBLICATIONS


FELLOWSHIPS

MSU’s Center for Advanced Study of International Development (CASID) & Center for Gender in Global Context (GenCen) invite 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 (FLAS) Fellowships Program. Applications due Feb. 6, 2015. See [http://casid.isp.msu.edu/academic/fellowships.htm](http://casid.isp.msu.edu/academic/fellowships.htm).

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

U.S. Borlaug Fellows in Global Food Security Program will hold its fourth annual Summer Institute on Global Food Security June 7- Saturday, June 20, 2015 on the campus of Purdue University in West Lafayette, IN. This two-week learning program is for graduate students who are interested in developing a holistic understanding of the conceptual challenges around global food security with a focus on cross-disciplinary problem solving of real-world development challenges. Applicants must have completed at least one semester of graduate study and be enrolled in a U.S. institution at the time of application. U.S. citizenship is not required. Applications due March 9, 2015. See program website.

U.S. Borlaug Fellows in Global Food Security graduate research grant supports exceptional graduate students who are interested in developing a component of their graduate research in a developing country setting and in collaboration
with a mentor from an International Agricultural Research Center (IARC) or a qualifying National Agricultural Research System (NARS) unit. U.S. citizenship is required, and applicants must be enrolled in an accredited U.S. graduate program at the time of application. Applications due April 13, 2015. See program website.

**JOBS**

**Purdue University**’s Department of Agricultural Economics is seeking a self-directed candidate to develop a nationally recognized scholarly research and teaching program in the area of agribusiness marketing, management, and/or agricultural markets. Deadline: February 28, 2015. [https://www2.ag.purdue.edu/Pages/strategicplan.aspx](https://www2.ag.purdue.edu/Pages/strategicplan.aspx)

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