We’re continuing to program virtual events and opportunities here at MSU C4I through Spring & Summer 2021. If you are interested in giving a virtual webinar or presentation, please email Dr. Stephanie E. Vasko (C4I Managing Director) at vaskoste@msu.edu.

2021 University Interdisciplinary Colloquium

"Is Persistent Disagreement a Reason to Distrust?"
David Godden (Dept. of Philosophy)
4/16/2021, 12PM-1PM
Zoom Link: https://msu.zoom.us/j/98504663406
Passcode: msuc4i

Public discourse, especially about policy, has increasingly become characterized by disagreement, polarization, incivility, and, ultimately, distrust among disagreers. Normally, disagreement is addressed through the public exchange of reasons in civil argumentation. Yet, distrust is itself a barrier to reasonable argumentation and the rational resolution of disagreement. In this talk, I ask: Is the mere persistence of disagreement a good reason to distrust our disagreers? The answer, I argue, is “No.” In making this case, I offer disagreers reasons to be more charitable and patient with each other, and to thereby re-establish a modicum of normalcy and civility in public discourse.

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Every other Friday starting 1-29-2021
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The University Interdisciplinary Colloquium celebrates excellence in interdisciplinary research that involves humanists or artists as partners. Presentations will be delivered by accomplished interdisciplinary scholars who are engaged in work that integrates a wide variety of perspectives, including the full range of perspectives within the university as well as those from outside the university.

Below you’ll find our draft Spring 2021 schedule, stay tuned for more info!

04/16/21 — David Godden (Philosophy)

Save The Date: Artist Mixer on 4/22 from 5-6PM
The College of Arts and Letters Dean’s Arts Advisory Council is hosting our first Arts Mixer, “Mixed Media.” This is a chance for fellow artists (and their collaborators) to get together and converse about the arts scene on and off-campus and look for possible synergies or collaborations on future projects. This event will be virtual, join us on 4/22 from 5-6PM on https://spatial.chat/s/artmixer

If you’d like your art/creative works featured at the mixer, please email vaskoste@msu.edu for information!

MSU News & Events

The Alliance for African Partnership invites you to The Future of Farming to Meet Sustainable Development Goals in Africa: Reflections on Soil Health and Policy on 4/14 from 9AM-1PM EDT
Agenda and registration available here: https://msu.zoom.us/webinar/register/6616166788436/WN_6nW0WU7sRq2s1p0fS6fM8w

MSU Asian Studies Center’s Global Virtual Speaker Program presents: Platformed Convenience: How Convenience Stores Built the Platform Economy on 4/15 from 4:30-6:00PM EDT