WELCOME NOTE FROM CENTER:
Welcome to the December 2009/ January 2010 Newsletter from the Center for Social Science Research on AIDS (CeSSRA), a collaborative training and research center, with collaborators from Case Western Reserve University, Makerere University, the Joint Clinical Research Centre, and Mbarara University of Science and Technology, SABRES/IDI/SPH, among others. The CeSSRA office is always open Monday to Friday 8am to 5pm. It is located in Seminar Room 7 in the Faculty of Social Sciences, Makerere University main campus.

The center’s aim is to train social scientists to carry out social science research on HIV/AIDS collaboratively and also conduct a longitudinal study on the social context of HIV/AIDS treatment.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

PUBLIC LECTURE
CeSSRA will also be hosting a public lecture by Dr. Peter Atekyereza on "HIV & AIDS in Uganda: Time to Respond to the Context beyond the Disease" on Friday 26 February 2010 at Makerere University, main campus, Faculty of Social Sciences, Lecture Room 2 at 1:00PM.

Dr. Peter Atekyereza is an Associate Professor in the Department of Sociology and the outgoing Head of department. He is a holder of BA (Makerere) in Sociology; MSC. Rural Development (University of Zimbabwe; and PhD (Linz University, Austria). His main research interests lie in the area of family studies and the dynamics of the changing African family, especially in the context of the HIV/AIDS epidemic. More recently he has been engaged in a multi-site, multi country study on food security and livelihoods for HIV/AIDS prevention funded by the UN.

RECENT EVENTS:
Dr. Charles Rwabukwali, CeSSRA co-PI, has been promoted to the rank of full Professor by the Makerere University Appointments Board effective 1st January 2010. Congratulations Charles!

Ethnography workshop attendees with Dr. Korbin

CeSSRA hosted a week long workshop on ethnographic research methods in January conducted by Dr. Jill Korbin and Larry Greksa from the Department of Anthropology, Case Western Reserve University. The workshop had over thirty participants and focused on the basics of ethnographic methodologies, using hands on training through observations, interviewing, and interactive lectures.

Dr. Jill Korbin also gave a lunchtime public lecture on Child Well Being in Global Perspective. She discussed the differences in child well being and well becoming, the current state of research in child studies, and some important directions for the future.
Certificate distribution at the close of the workshop with Drs. Greksa and Korbin

Recently, our second cohort of fellows was recruited for a two year training and mentorship program. The new fellows are:

Aturinde Emmanuel
Ddumba Nyanzi Ismael
Kasande Glorius
Mugasha Cliff Richards
Mugerwa Derrick
Mutumba Nantume Janipher
Wakida Joan

Congratulations! We will be featuring more about our newest trainees in upcoming newsletters.

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