# AFRICA AND THE "URGE TO HELP"

**A Presidential Dream Course** 

This Presidential Dream Course takes up the complex and sometimes ironic history of "humanitarianism" in sub-Saharan Africa through an exploration of topics such as: Slavery and abolition, mission work, child sponsorship initiatives, straight cash payments to the poor, clothing donations, and the 2014 Ebola epidemic. We will also explore the historical development of discourses of "humanitarianism" and "helping" as directed towards Africa, and we will attempt to examine our own relationship with the continent and it's past, present, and future.

Taught by Dr. Andreana Prichard who invites you to lectures by esteemed guests

#### Dr. Andrea Freidus UNC Charlotte

"Productive Moral Sentiments or Inhumane Humanitarianism?: The Place of Compassion in International Volunteering in Malawi"

> October 10, 4:30 pm Dale Hall 206

## **Dr. James Ferguson Stanford University**

"Presence and Social Obligation: An Essay on the Share"

> November 9, 4:30 pm Gould Hall Gallery

### Dr. Liisa Malkki Stanford University

"The Need to Help: The Domestic Art of International Human Pajanism"

> October 24, 4:30 pm Gould Hall Gallery

## Dr. Paul Richards Wageningen University

"Ebola in Sierra Leone: a Humanitarian Crisis in Historical Perspective"

November 28, 4:30 pm JJ Rhyne Community Room Zarrow Hall