

# WORKING FOR GENDER EQUALITY: LESSONS FROM AFRICA

**A CONVERSATION WITH DR. THELMA AWORI**

**NOVEMBER 8TH, 10:00 TO 11:30**

**INTERNATIONAL CENTER 201**



In this conversation with students, Dr. Awori will share her insights about working for gender rights and well-being within various International Development contexts. Students planning to do international study abroad, considering careers in international development contexts, or who are otherwise interested in intersectionality and working across cultures are encouraged to attend. Graduate students are also welcome.

Thelma Awori has dedicated her life to women's rights and empowerment in Africa. With a small group of friends, Dr. Awori established the Sirleaf Market Women's Fund, which helps to build dry and safe workplaces for more than 13,000 rural women. Dr. Awori has also served as Assistant Secretary General and Director of the Regional Bureau for Africa at the United Nations Development Program and deputy assistant administrator in UNDP's Bureau for Policy and Programme Support. Additionally, she was deputy director of UNIFEM's Africa section. A recipient of a scholarships from The Africa-America Institute, Dr. Awori earned a BA in Social Relations and Cultural Anthropology from Harvard University, and received an MA in Adult Education and Humanistic Psychology from UC Berkeley.

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