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Lohr Memorial Colloquy Series

Dr. Suban Nur Cooley

February 25, 2026

4:30 pm, Moore Hall

Room 1115



RSVP

Suban Nur Cooley is an Assistant Professor of African American and African Studies at Michigan State University. Her work examines the intersections of cultural rhetorics, Black feminist theory, and migration and displacement studies. Her scholarship has been recognized with the 2021 CCCC James Berlin Outstanding Dissertation Award and the 2023 Charles Kneupper Award for best article published in the Rhetoric Society Quarterly. As a Black African woman scholar who understands Black displacement firsthand, she brings an insider's perspective to Somali diasporic life, connecting embodied research and narrative analysis with deep community engagement across Black diaspora communities.

**Q&A Session and Reception (with FREE FOOD)
immediately following the lecture.**