COURSE NO. 377  
COURSE TITLE History of Africa: 1800 to Now

INSTRUCTOR Mr. Vansina

COURSE DESCRIPTION

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LECTURES

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- 6 week: March 7
  - written (one essay question, identifications) 20%
- 12 week exam: April 21
  - (paper, diary) 40%
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**Required Texts:**
- FETTER, B. *Colonial Rule in Africa. Readings*. Madison 1971 (pap)

**Recommended Texts:**
- ACHEBE, C.A. *A Man of the People* (novel)
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**Outline:**

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**Part Two: Colonial Conquest**

**Week 5:** Colonial Conquest [conquest: scramble; resistance; notions types of case of Libya]
- **Required Reading:** CURTIN et al. 444-471; FETTER, o.c., p. 3-43
Week 6: Northern Africa Conquered, Western and Eastern Africa
Required Reading: FETTER, o.c., p. 64-85

Week 7: Southern and Central Africa Conquered
Required Reading: FETTER, o.c., p. 61-94; MUNRO, o.c., p. 86-118

Week 8: Independence Conquered: From Nationalism to Independence
Required Reading: CURTIN, et al.: 575-592; FETTER, o.c., p. 139-184

Part three: Colonial Life

Week 9: The Administration
Required Reading: CURTIN, et al. 472-497; FETTER, o.c., p. 95-106

Week 10: The Economy
Required Reading: CURTIN, et al. 498-522; MUNRO, o.c., 119-175.

Week 11: Societies
Required Reading: CURTIN et al. 552-574; FETTER, o.c., p. 125-138

Week 12: Cultures
Required Reading: CURTIN et al. 523-551

Part four: Africa and Independence

Week 13: Northern Africa
Required Reading: FETTER, o.c., 185-212

Week 14: Tropical Africa
Required Reading: MUNRO, o.c., 176-212
Recommended Reading: HULL, o.c., 167-199

Week 15: Southern Africa
Recommended Reading: HULL, o.c., p. 200-232

Week 16: Africa Today: Underdevelopment; class tension; cultural change
Recommended Reading: HULL, o.c., 233-260

Week 17: Conclusions

The recommended novels of Achebe are best read:

Week 6: Things Fall Apart,
Week 11: No Longer at Ease, and
Week 14: A Man of the People

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