This course is an introduction to the history of the African continent since about 1870. Africa south of the Sahara receives the greatest emphasis; developments since 1900 receive the major stress. The course is organized around three principal themes: the European invasion of Africa and the prolonged African resistance; the era of colonial rule; and the African struggle to regain independence and overcome poverty, since 1960.

Ordinarily there will be two lectures and a discussion session each week. Reading is assigned so that it will be completed before each week's topic. Three examinations are planned: a six-weeks essay exam in class on October 11; a mid-term essay exam on November 15; and, the final two-hour exam is scheduled for December 19. In addition, each undergraduate is expected to write a cumulative diary recording his/her reactions to, and reflections on, course materials and discussion. The first installment of the diary will be submitted on November 15; the second one is due on the last day of class, December 13. Graduate students and Honors candidates are excused from the six-week exam, but are expected to write term essays on topics approved by the instructor; they are due on December 6.

**EVALUATIONS**

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Any Undergraduate may elect to write an essay and benefit from the same dispensation as applies to graduate students and honors candidates. Approval of essay topics must be obtained by Friday, September 20.

The standard texts for this course are on sale at People's Bookstore on West Gilman Street, between University and State (nearest University): A.E. Afifobo, *et al.*, *The Making of Modern Africa*. 2 volumes.

The instructor holds office hours from 2-4 pm on Tuesdays at room 5108 Humanities. Other visits are scheduled by appointment.

**COURSE CALENDAR**

1. **THE EUROPEAN INVASION OF AFRICA.**

   **WEEK 1 (Sept. 4-6): INTRODUCTORY**
   
   Wed. Sept. 4 - Introduction to the Course and Topics: Africa in the 1870s
   
   Fri. Sept. 6 - Africa in the 1870s (cont'd).
   
   **READING (for Weeks 1-3):**
   
   
   All: Afifobo, I: 45-86; 129-149; 317-331.
WEEK 2 (Sept. 9-13): PRELUDE TO IMPERIALISM
Mon. Sept. 9 - Africa in the 1870s (completed)
Wed. Sept. 11 - Background to the European Scramble for Africa
Fri. Sept. 13 - Discussion: Suppression of Slavery: Prelude to Imperialism?

WEEK 3 (Sept. 16-20): CONQUEST AND RESISTANCE
Mon. Sept. 16 - Beginnings of the Scramble: Central and West Africa
Wed. Sept. 18 - Beginnings of the Scramble: West and East Africa
Fri. Sept. 20 - Discussion: Why did the Europeans win?
READING:
Afigbo, I: 95-128; 150-175; 340-364

WEEK 4 (Sept. 23-27): WAR AND DIPLOMACY
Mon. Sept. 23 - Islamic Resistance: The Mahdiyya in the Sudan
Wed. Sept. 25 - Revolution and Adjustment: The Buganda Kingdom
Fri. Sept. 27 - Discussion: What was the key to Islamic resistance?
READING:
Those new to African courses: Afigbo, I: 211-250
All: Afigbo, I: 251-305; 311-339.

WEEK 5 (Sept. 30 - Oct. 4): FALL OF THE SOUTH
Mon. Sept. 30 - The Partitioning of Southern Africa
Wed. Oct. 2 - Madagascar
Fri. Oct. 4 - Who conquered Africa and when did the conquests end?
READING:
Afigbo, I: 176-210; Afigbo, II: 1-33; 294-312.

WEEK 6 (Oct. 7-11): THE LATER WARS
Mon. Oct. 7 - Invasion, Annexation and Resistance in North Africa: Morocco and Libya
Wed. Oct. 9 - Conquest and Resistance in the South: Namibia, Tanzania and Zimbabwe
Fri. Oct. 11 - SIX-WEEKS EXAM (Essay writers are excused)
READING:
Afigbo, II: 233-263.

II. THE ERA OF COLONIAL RULE
WEEK 7 (Oct. 14-18): THE IDEOLOGY OF INDIRECT RULE
Fri. Oct. 18 - Discussion: The Struggle in East/Central Africa: King Leopold’s Congo and Rhodes’ Rhodesias.
READING: Afigbo, II: 294-324.

WEEK 8 (Oct. 21-25): PATERNALISM AND PROFITS
Mon. Oct. 21 - Paternalism and the Mines: Zaire and Zambia
Fri. Oct. 25 - Discussion: Disease, Death and Profits: An Emerging African Capitalism?
READING: Afigbo, II: 165 to top of p. 195.

WEEK 9 (Oct. 28 - Nov. 1): UPROOTING AFRICANS
Mon. Oct. 28 - Fall of the Black Peasantry in South Africa
Fri. Nov. 1 - Discussion: “Tribalism” and “Primitivism” in “traditional” Africa
READING:
Afigbo, II: 21-33; 43-259.
WEEK 10 (Nov. 4-8): NEW IDENTITIES, NEW DISCOURSES
Mon. Nov. 4 - Religious Revolutions
Wed. Nov. 6 - Class, Caste and Colonials
Fri. Nov. 8 - Discussion: Women: Battling two Colonialisms.
READING:
Afiebo, II: 106-130.

WEEK 11 (Nov. 11-15) PAN-AFRICANISM
Mon. Nov. 11 - The Italo-Ethiopian War
Fri. Nov. 15 - MID-TERM EXAMS (First Diaries are due)
READING:
Afiebo, II: 80-95; 138-top of 156

III. TOWARD THE LIBERATION OF AFRICA
WEEK 12 (Nov. 18-22): RENEWAL AND REFORM IN MUSLIM AFRICA
Mon. Nov. 18 - Awakening and Movements in Egypt and North Africa
Wed. Nov. 20 - Renewal and Reform in the Maghrib and Sudan
Fri. Nov. 22 - Discussion: What are the sources of Islamic Renewal?
READING:
Afiebo, II: 34-54

WEEK 13 (Nov. 25-27) DEPRESSION, WAR AND DECOLONIZATION IN WEST AFRICA
Mon. Nov. 25 - Restored Sovereignty in West Africa: Nigeria
Wed. Nov. 27 - Restoration in French West Africa
Fri. Nov. 29 - THANKSGIVING RECESS
READING:
Afiebo, II: 260-286; 324-343.

WEEK 14 (Dec. 2-6) DECOLONIZATION AND LIBERATION IN EASTERN AFRICA
Mon. Dec. 2 - Mau Mau and Decolonization in Kenya
Wed. Dec. 4 - Chimurenga II in Zimbabwe
Fri. Dec. 6 - Discussion: "Wars of National Liberation" (Essays are due)
READING:
Afiebo II: 195-232; 343-364.

WEEK 15 (Dec. 9-13) TOWARD THE LIBERATION OF SOUTHERN AFRICA
Mon. Dec. 9 - South Africa and Namibia since 1945
Wed. Dec. 11 - The Agony of Angola
Fri. Dec. 13 - The Continuing Crisis: Zaire and Mozambique
(Second Diaries are due)

FINAL EXAMINATION:
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, AT 7:45 A.M.