

Department of History
Semester II Year 1979-80

<u>COURSE NO.</u>	<u>COURSE TITLE</u>	<u>INSTRUCTOR</u>
377	History of Africa: 1800 to Now	Mr. Vansina

COURSE DESCRIPTION

The 19th Century, the colonial period to 1960 and the period since 1960 to today.
General history of economic, social, political and religious trends.

LECTURES

3

WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS and EXAMINATIONS

6 identifications and essay questions	20%
12 page diary	40%
Final: Essay questions	40%

GRADING SYSTEM

A-F	20%
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REQUIRED READINGS

See attached.

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Syllabus

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12 week exam: April 21 40%
(paper, diary)
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each student will contact instructor about a topic of a paper or about the class diary.

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OUTLINE: Part one: The Nineteenth Century

Week 1: North Africa
Required Reading: CURTIN et al. 332-361; F. MUNRO, o.c., p. 9-39
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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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