UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY - AFRICA

HIS 2010: HISTORY AFRICA SINCE 1800

COURSE SYLLABUS CREDIT: 4 UNITS INSTRUCTOR

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course examines some of the major themes in the history of Africa from 1800 AD. Africa will be studied in the context of both the internal and external forces and events that have shaped the continent in the last two centuries. Historical debates surrounding some of the issues will be identified.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

- To expose students to the forces that have shaped modern Africa
- To give students a foundation for the explanation of some of Africa's current problems.

COURSE CONTENT

Week 1

Background to Africa in the 19th Century.

Week 2

Decline of slave trade and the era of legitimate commerce.

Week 3

Internal transformations

Week 4

Imperialism and conquest.

Week 5

Africa's responses to colonization.

MID-QUARTER EXAM

Week 6

Colonial rule in Tropical Africa.

Week 7

Social transformations and the African elite.

Week 8

African nationalisms

Week 9

War and liberation (Algeria and Kenya)

Week 10

The post-colonial state

Week 11

FINAL EXAMINATION

TEACHING METHODOLOGY

Lectures, discussions, and audio-visual presentations.

COURSE TEXT

Roland Oliver and Antony Atmore, Africa Since 1800 (Cambridge: 1996) Sixth Edition.

COURSE EVALUATION

Attendance and Participation	10%
Written Assignments	20%
Mid-Quarter Examination	30%
Final Examination	40%

GRADING

A	90 -	100

- A- 87 89
- B+ 84 86
- B 80 83
- B- 77 79
- C+ 74 76
- C 70 73
- C- 67 69
- D+ 64 66 D 62 - 63
- D- 60 61
- F 0 59