



COLONIZATION AND DECOLONIZATION IN AFRICA IN THE 20TH CENTURY: FRANCE & SENEGAL

APA Program: Online Francophone Summer

Language of instruction: French

US semester credits: 4.0

Term: Summer (6 weeks)

Distance learning: Class meets online for 90 minutes, four times a week

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Course Description

The six-week online course aims to introduce students to the colonization and decolonization of Africa during the 20th century through various means: historical archives, scientific articles, documentary films and fiction, in order to offer a panorama of views on the subject and a more complex view of colonial systems in Africa. The first part of the course will thus present the general stakes of colonization, from colonialist theories to the realities of the field; the second part of the course will be devoted to the example of Senegal.

Learning Objectives

- Develop a critical reading of primary sources on French colonization.
- Recognize recent historiographical debates from the scientific papers studied.
- Develop a thorough understanding of colonial systems in Africa and be able to highlight their specificities.

Guest Speaker

Mamadou Koné, curator-guide in the Directorate of Historical Heritage and Archives of the Armed Forces

Prerequisite

Students must have read the documents sent in advance by the professor.

Selected Bibliography (in addition to historical sources)

General works in French

M'Bokolo Elikia, *Afrique noire. Histoire et civilisation XIXe-XXe siècles*, Paris, Hatier, 1992. UNESCO, *Histoire générale de l'Afrique*, 11 volumes, Paris, éditions de l'UNESCO, 1986-2020.

General works in English

Cooper Frederick, *Africa since 1940: The Past of the Present*, Cambridge University Press, 2002.

Scientific Articles

Jean-Pierre Olivier de Sardan, « Chapitre VIII. Résistances et affrontements », *Les sociétés songhay-zarma (Niger - Mali)*, 1984.

Babacar Fall, « Le travail forcé en Afrique Occidentale Française (1900-1946) », *Civilisations*, 41, 1993.

Odile Goerg, « Domination coloniale, construction de la « ville » en Afrique et dénomination », *Afrique & Histoire*, 2006.

Romain Tiquet, « Migrations protestataires et résistance au travail forcé en AOF (1900-1946) », *Hommes et migrations*, 2014.

General Works - Novels and Stories

Achebe Chinua, *Le monde s'effondre*, 1966.

Atta Sefi, *Le meilleur reste à venir*, 2009.

Beti Mongo, *Le pauvre Christ de Bomba*, 1956.

Conrad Joseph, *Au cœur des ténèbres*, 1899.

Gide André, *Retour du Congo*, 1927.

Emecheta Buchi, *Les enfants sont une bénédiction*, 1999.

Hampate Bâ Amadou, *L'Étrange destin de Wangrin*, 1973.

Hatzfeld Jean, *Une saison de machettes*, 2003.

Kourouma Ahmadou, *Les soleils des indépendances*, 1968.

Leiris Michel, *L'Afrique fantôme*, 1934.

Ngozi Adichie Chimamanda, *L'autre moitié du soleil*, 2008.

Sembene Ousmane, *Les bouts de bois de Dieu*, 1960.