This course will examine the integration of Africa and African peoples into the global economy from the 1400s to the present. It will explore how and why the integration occurred as well as the impact of the integration on Africans, Europeans, and Americans. Throughout the course we will also look at the various ways in which Africans responded to the political, economic, and social forces that impacted their lives.

Required Texts:

Philip Gourevitch. *We Wish to Inform You that Tomorrow We Will Be Killed With our Families.*
Adam Hochschild. *King Leopold’s Ghost.*
Eric Williams. *Capitalism & Slavery.*

Important Dates:

February 17: Test 1 (25%)
March 30: Test 2 (25%)
May 6: PAPER (25%)
May 13: Test 3 (25%)

January

20: Introduction

25: A. F. Seligman *Ambassadors, Explorers, Allies* (Chapter 1 & 2) [electronic reserve]

K. Shillington *History of Africa* (Chapter 14, ‘Central and Eastern Africa to the 18th Century’ pp. 203-206) [electronic reserve]
February

1: Kevin Shillington *History of Africa* (Chapter 12 ‘The Atlantic Slave Trade 16th–18th Century’) [electronic reserve]

Kevin Shillington *History of Africa* (Chapter 14 ‘Central and Eastern Africa to the 18th Century’ pp. 206–207) [electronic reserve]

John Iliffe *Africans: History of a Continent* (Chapter 7 ‘The Atlantic Slave Trade’) [electronic reserve]

3: Eric Williams *Capitalism and Slavery* (Chapters 1 & 2)

Andrea Stuart *Sugar in the Blood* (Chapter 5) [electronic reserve]

8: Eric Williams *Capitalism and Slavery* (Chapters 3, 4, 5)

10: Eric Williams *Capitalism and Slavery* (Chapter 6)
    Wilder *Ebony & Ivy: Race, Slavery and the Troubled History of America’s Universities* (Chapter 2 ‘The Bloody Journey From Slave Traders to College Trustees’ & Chapter 3 ‘The Very Name of a West-Indian: Atlantic Slavery and the Rise of the American College’ & Chapter [electronic reserve]

15: Film: *Traces of the Trade*

17: *FIRST TEST*

22: Eric Williams *Capitalism and Slavery* (Chapters 7, 8, 9, 10)

24: Film: *The Bible and the Gun*
29: A. Adu Boahen *African Perspectives on Colonialism* (Chapter 1 'The Eve of the Colonial Conquest and Occupation') [Book available on 2 hour Course Reserves]

Adam Hochschild *King Leopold’s Ghost* (Prologue, pp. 16-18 and Chapters 1-3)

Georges Nzongola-Ntalaja *The Congo: From Leopold to Kabila* (pp. 14-20)

**March**

2: Adam Hochschild *King Leopold’s Ghost* (Chapters 4-5 & Chapter 6 pp. 88-95)

(Recommended *The Congo: From Leopold to Kabila*, pp. 20-26)

7: Spring Break

9: Spring Break

14: Film: *Magnificent African Cake*

16: *African Perspectives on Colonialism* (Chapter 2 & Chapter 3) [2 Hour Course Reserves]

*King Leopold’s Ghost* (Chapters 7 & 8)

21: A. Zimmerman *Alabama in Africa* (pp. 1-14); (pp. 23-32) [electronic reserve]

A. Zimmerman *Alabama in Africa* (pp. 128-138); (pp. 148-153); (pp. 173-183) [electronic reserve]

23: *King Leopold’s Ghost* (Chapters 11-15)

*African perspectives on Colonialism* (Chapter 4) [2 hour course reserve]

*The Congo: From Leopold to Kabila* (pp. 26-33)

28: Easter Monday

30: *SECOND TEST*
April

4: Film: *The Rise of Nationalism*

6: *Alabama in Africa* (pp. 123-128) [electronic reserve]

*African Perspectives on Colonialism* (pp. 62-93) [2 hour course reserve]

*The Congo: From Leopold to Kabila* (pp. 41-54) & Chapter 2

11: *Pan African History: Political Figures from Africa and the Diaspora Since 1787* (pp. 113-116) [electronic reserves]

*The Congo: From Leopold to Kabila* (Chapter 3 pp. 94-96; 106-118) & Chapter 5

13: Film: *Ghosts of Rwanda*

P. Gourevitch, *We Wish to Inform You That Tomorrow We Will Be Killed With Our Families: Stories From Rwanda* Ch. 4-9

18: Patriot's Day

20: P. Gourevitch, *We Wish to Inform You That Tomorrow We Will Be Killed With Our Families: Stories From Rwanda* Ch. 10 & 11

25: *The Congo: From Leopold to Kabila* (Chapter 7)

27: Film: Crisis in the Congo

*Consuming the Congo* (pp. 1-55; 97-119; 179-181) [2 hour course reserve]

May

2: Film: Blood in the Mobile

*Consuming the Congo* (Chapter 15) [2 hour course reserve]

6: PAPER DUE (SUBMIT ELECTRONICALLY to: magubane@bc.edu)

13: FINAL EXAM at 12:30