

CENTER FOR AFROAMERICAN AND AFRICAN STUDIES

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AAS 458 Section 2
Black World Issues:
Nationalism and
Social Movements in Africa

Visiting Professor Afaf Omer

Using an interdisciplinary perspective, this course will study various forms of social movements in Sub-Saharan Africa, both historical and contemporary. The Mahdist revolution in the Sudan, the Mau Mau in Kenya, and the Bai Bureh of Sierra Leone will be examined, and the role of historic, political, and other systemic factors in those movements will be identified. Theories such as N. Smelser's on collective behavior, McCarthy and Zald's on resource mobilization, as well as the classical Marxist theories will be studied, and the extent to which they succeed in explaining social movements in Africa will be identified.

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