

African Women
Afro/Anthro/WS 427
Dr. Clark
Fall 1992
MW 10:30-12
E Engineering 1213

Class meetings will vary in format, including lectures, small group discussions, films and other activities. They will assume that you have read the assigned readings for the week, so come prepared to discuss them. It is expected that we will have different viewpoints on these issues, as African women themselves do, based on the insights of our individual backgrounds and experiences. Exam essay questions will also assume that you have understood the readings and other presentations and thought about them.

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Textbooks: Available now at Common Language, 214 S. Fourth St.
Hafkin and Bay, Women in Africa
Robertson and Berger, Women and Class in Africa
Davison, Agriculture, Women and Land

Make sure to do the readings listed for each class session before it begins. Class participation counts for 10% of the grade.

There are three exams, each covering one-third of the class material. They will all be taken home, with a choice of essay questions. Each counts 30% toward the course grade, and each covers only the preceding third of the material.

First exam handed out October 14th, due back in class the 21st.
Second exam handed out November 11th, due back in class the 16th.
Third exam handed out December 9th, due back December 16th.

Late exam papers will be graded down one-half grade for each day late. No delayed exams unless you are in a coma.

A short (7-10pp) research paper is recommended for graduate students. Research papers are optional for undergraduates, but give extra credit. They must be handed in by the last class meeting, December 9th.

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READING LIST

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September

Wednesday the 16th Asante Market Traders
CP Clark Money, Sex and Cooking
CP Abu The Separateness of Spouses

Monday the 21st Bridewealth Marriage
CP Ngubane The Consequences for Women
RB Kettel The Commoditization of Women in Tugen
CP Schildkrot Dependence and Autonomy

Wednesday the 23rd Variations in Ghana
RB Vellenga Matriliney, Patriliney and Class Formation
HB Robertson Ga Women and Socioeconomic Change

Monday the 28th African Feminism
CP Steady African Feminism
CP Sudarkasa The Status of Women
CP Amadiume Male Daughters, Female Husbands

Wednesday the 30th Feminist Africans
CP Obbo East African Women
CP Afonja Changing Patterns of Gender
HB Mullings Women and Economic Change
CP Green Marxist-Feminism

October

Monday the 5th Elites
RB Obbo Stratification and the Lives of Women
RB Robertson Women's Education and Class Formation
HB Steady Protestant Women's Associations

Wednesday the 7th Elite Activists
CP Wells The War of Degradation
RB Johnson Class and Gender: Yoruba Women
RB Staudt Stratification: Implications

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Monday, October 12th Traditionalist Revolts
HB Okonjo The Dual-Sex Political System in Operation
HB Van Allen "Aba Riots" or Igbo "Women's War"?

Wednesday the 14th Innovative Revolts
CP Moran Collective Action
CP Brantley Mekatalili
CP Diduk Women's Agricultural Production

this much covered in first exam

Monday the 19th Farming Traditions--Kenya
HB Hay Luo Women and Economic Change
CP Okeyo Daughters of the Lakes and Rivers

Wednesday the 21st Local Slavery
CP MacCormack Slaves, Slave Owners and Slave Dealers
CP Wright Bwanikwa

Monday the 26th Traditions of Farm Diversity
D Funk Land Tenure, Agriculture and Gender
D Goheen Land and the Household Economy
RB Afonja Land Control

Wednesday the 28th Managed Tradition
CP Muntemba Women and Agricultural Change
RB Parpart Class and Gender on the Copperbelt
D Rose A Woman is Like a Field

November

Monday the 2nd Commercial Outcomes
D Babalola and Dennis Returns to Women's Labor
D Schoepfs Land, Gender and Food Security
RB Bujra Urging Women to Redouble Their Efforts

Wednesday the 4th Invented Tradition--Zaire
CP Yates Colonialism, Education and Work
CP Wilson Reinventing the Past
RB MacGaffey Women and Class Formation

Monday the 9th Elite Opportunists
HB Brooks The Signares
CP Karanja Outside Wives
CP Dinan Sugar Daddies

Wednesday the 11th City Strategies
CP White Domestic Labor
CP Nelson Selling Her Kiosk

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Monday, November 16th Islamic Rebels
HB Berger Rebels or Status Seekers
HB Strobel From Lelemama to Lobbying
CP Seidman Rank, Gender and Homosexuality
CP Women in Nationalist Struggle

Wednesday the 18th Workers and Strikes
RB Presley Labor Unrest
RB Berger Sources of Class Consciousness
HB Lewis The Limitations of Group Action

Monday the 23rd The Kenyan Model
D Davison Who Owns What? (chapter 8)
RB Stamp Kikuyu Women's Self-Help Groups

Wednesday the 25th Irrigation Conflicts
D Bernal Losing Ground
D Carney Struggles Over Land

Monday the 30th Land Reform
HB Brain Less Than Second Class
D Davison Land Redistribution in Mozambique (Chapter 11)
D Pankhurst and Jacobs Land Tenure, Gender Relations

December

Wednesday the 2nd Family Values in Apartheid
CP Cock Trapped Workers
CP Gay Mummies and Babies

Monday the 7th Today's Activists
CP Seidman Women in Zimbabwe
CP Seidman No Freedom Without the Women

covered in third exam