

UCSD Winter Quarter 2013

HIAF 120

Tuesdays and Thursdays 8-9:20 A.M. Peterson 102

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HISTORY OF SOUTH AFRICA

This course examines the history of South Africa from 1652-the present. The course will help students to understand the forces that have shaped contemporary South Africa. We will examine the early societies and culture, the contact with Europe, and the consequences for these societies. Our study will include European settler society, slavery, the British in South Africa, and the early 19th century upheavals in South Africa. The impact of the discovery of diamonds and gold, industrialization of South Africa, and the conflict between Africans, the Afrikaner, and the British will receive attention. The emergence of segregation, racial politics, apartheid, African nationalism, and the factors that led to the creation of a multi-racial democracy will be examined. There will be a mid-term examination on February 7 and a final on March 21. A ten page term paper will be due on March 12. Each of these assignments will count 1/3rd of the student's course grade.

Texts (Available on reserve)

Leonard Thompson, A History of South Africa

Nelson Mandela, Long Walk to Freedom

J.B. Peires, The Dead Will Arise

Lectures and Assignments

January 8 and 10

Introduction and Overview
Early History of South Africa
European Beginnings in South Africa

January 15 and 17

Dutch settlement at the Cape
Thompson, Chapter II

January 22 and 24

The Mfecane
The British at the Cape
The Great Trek
Thompson, Chapter III
Finish reading Peires

January 29,31, Feb 5

Diamonds and Gold
The Scramble for South Africa
The Boer War and Independence
Thompson, Chapter IV

Feb 7

Mid-Term Examination (Bring Blue Books)

Feb 12,14,19

Politics of Segregation

Feb 21, 26, 28	African Resistance Road to War Start reading Mandela's book Thompson Chapter V War and the Nationalist Government of 1948 Apartheid and Black Politics Continue to read Mandela's book Thompson, Chapter VI
Mar 5, 7, 12	Intensification of Apartheid Steven Biko, Black Consciousness The End of Apartheid Finish reading Mandela, Thompson, Chapters 7, 8, 9
Mar 12	Term paper is due
Mar 14	Conclusion (Make sure all reading assignments have been completed)
Mar 21	Final Exam 08:00a - 10:59a