

**UCSD Spring Quarter 2012**

**HIAF 120**

Tuesdays and Thursdays 8-9:20 A.M. Peterson 103

Professor Edward Reynolds

Office Hours: Tuesdays 9:30-10:30 A.M. and by appointment

### 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 May 12th and a final on June 14th. A ten page term paper will be due on May 29th. 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

April 3 and 5	Introduction and Overview
	Early History of South Africa
	European Beginnings in South Africa

April 10 and 12	Dutch settlement at the Cape Thompson, Chapter II
April 17 and 19	The Mfecane The British at the Cape The Great Trek Thompson, Chapter III Finish reading Peires
April 24,26, May 1	Diamonds and Gold The Scramble for South Africa The Boer War and Independence Thompson, Chapter IV
May 3	Mid-Term Examination (Bring Blue Books)
May 8,10,15	Politics of Segregation African Resistance Road to War Start reading Mandela's book Thompson Chapter V
May 17, 22, 24	War and the Nationalist Government of 1948 Apartheid and Black Politics

Continue to read Mandela's book

Thompson, Chapter VI

May 29, 31, June 5

Intensification of Apartheid

Steven Biko, Black Consciousness

The End of Apartheid

Finish reading Mandela, Thompson, Chapters 7, 8, 9

May 29

Term paper is due

June 7

Conclusion

(Make sure all reading assignments have been completed)

June 14

Final Exam 08:00a - 10:59a