

**UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY-AFRICA
IRL 4811 US-EAST AFRICA RELATIONS
COURSE SYLLABUS**

Course Description:

This course undertakes a critical examination of US relations with the countries of Eastern Africa. It examines the basis of US relations with the individual countries in the region (Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Somalia, Ethiopia, Rwanda and Burundi and Zaire) and particularly analyses the different policies of the US with each of the states; the course also examines the different responses of the individual states to US policy, and eventually makes a comparative survey of US policies and responses in the Eastern Africa region.

Course Objectives:

The objectives of this course are to seek a critical and detailed understanding of the forces and issues that animate US policy in this region, and to provide students with the critical tools with which to analyse these trends and forces.

Course Content:

Week.1&2

Mon 10 & Wed 12

- Foreign policy
- Diplomacy

Week 3

Mon 7th Jan & Wed 13th Jan

US relations with the Eastern African region in historical perspective

Week 4

Mon 24th Jan & Wed 26 Jan

Different US policies to individual states: Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania (Mutiso, Mary and Shariff)

Week 5

Mon 7th Feb & 9th Feb

US policies in the Horn of Africa (Aileen, Mkang'ombe)

Week 6

Wed 9th Feb

MID-QUARTER EXAMINATION

Week.7

Mon 14th Feb & Wed 16th Feb

US policies in the Great lakes region (Noris, Vivian)

Week.8

Mon 21st Feb & 23rd Feb

Responses of the various countries to US policies (Vivian & Shariff)

Week.9

Mon 28th Feb & Wed 1st Mar

A comparative perspective (Noris, Mutiso, & Aileen)

Week.10

Mon 6th & Wed 8th Mar

US policies in Eastern Africa after the Cold War (Mary & Mkang'ombe)

Week.11

Mon 13th & Wed 15th Mar

FINAL EXAMINATION**Course Texts**

Munene, M. *The Truman Administration and the Decolonisation of Sub-Saharan Africa* (Nairobi: University of Nairobi Press, 1991)

Okoth,P.G. *The United States of America's Foreign Policy Toward Kenya, 1912-1969* (Nairobi: Gideon Were Press, 1992)

Laidi,Z. *The Super Powers and Africa* (Chicago: Chicago University Press, 1990)

Munene,M. Olewe-Nyunya,J. & Adar,K. (eds) *The United States and Africa: From Independence to the End of the Cold War* (Nairobi: East African Educational Publishers, 1991)

Course Evaluation

Essay/Term Paper (30%)

Mid-Quarter Test (30%)

Final Examination (40%).

Total (100%)

GRADING.

A 90 - 100

A- 87 - 89

B+ 84 - 86

B 80 - 83

B- 77 - 79

C+ 74 - 76

C	70 - 73
C-	67 - 69
D+	64 - 66
D	62 - 63
D-	60 - 61
F	0 - 59