

Washtenaw Community College Comprehensive Report

HST 235 African History Effective Term: Fall 2023

Course Cover

College: Humanities, Social and Behavioral Sciences

Division: Humanities, Social and Behavioral Sciences

Department: Social Sciences

Discipline: History

Course Number: 235

Org Number: 11740

Full Course Title: African History

Transcript Title: African History

Is Consultation with other department(s) required: No

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Reason for Submission: Reactivation

Change Information:

Consultation with all departments affected by this course is required.

Course description

Outcomes/Assessment

Objectives/Evaluation

Rationale: The department now has a qualified instructor to teach this course.

Proposed Start Semester: Winter 2024

Course Description: In this course, students will survey the historical development of African societies, cultures, and institutions, with an emphasis on the 13th century to the present. The effects of Christianity, Islam, the slave trade, and colonialism on the African continent will also be addressed. Emphasis will also be placed on the process of decolonization and industrialization of modern Africa.

Course Credit Hours

Variable hours: No

Credits: 3

Lecture Hours: Instructor: 45 **Student:** 45

Lab: Instructor: 0 **Student:** 0

Clinical: Instructor: 0 **Student:** 0

Total Contact Hours: Instructor: 45 **Student:** 45

Repeatable for Credit: NO

Grading Methods: Letter Grades

Audit

Are lectures, labs, or clinicals offered as separate sections?: NO (same sections)

College-Level Reading and Writing

College-level Reading & Writing

College-Level Math

No Level Required

Requisites

General Education

MACRAO

MACRAO Social Science

General Education

EMU GenEd Diverse World

General Education Area 5 - Social and Behavioral Science

Assoc in Applied Sci - Area 5

Assoc in Science - Area 5

Assoc in Arts - Area 5

Michigan Transfer Agreement - MTA

MTA Social Science

Request Course Transfer

Proposed For:

Eastern Michigan University
Ferris State University
Grand Valley State University
Michigan State University
Oakland University
University of Detroit - Mercy
University of Michigan
Wayne State University
Western Michigan University
Central Michigan University

Student Learning Outcomes

1. Identify the major geographic characteristics of the African continent.

Assessment 1

Assessment Tool: Outcome-related exam questions

Assessment Date: Fall 2026

Assessment Cycle: Every Three Years

Course section(s)/other population: All sections

Number students to be assessed: All students

How the assessment will be scored: Answer key

Standard of success to be used for this assessment: 70% of students will score 70% or higher

Who will score and analyze the data: Departmental faculty

2. Describe and explain the important historical events that have occurred in Africa relevant to religious movements, colonialism, and the modern independence movement.

Assessment 1

Assessment Tool: Outcome-related exam essay questions

Assessment Date: Fall 2026

Assessment Cycle: Every Three Years

Course section(s)/other population: All sections

Number students to be assessed: All students

How the assessment will be scored: Departmentally-developed rubric

Standard of success to be used for this assessment: 70% of students will score 70% or higher

Who will score and analyze the data: Departmental faculty

Course Objectives

1. Identify the major African river systems: Niger, Nile Congo, Zambezi.
2. Locate mountain systems (Atlas, Drakensberg), and the Sahara Desert.
3. Identify the hominin species associated with human evolution in Africa; Ardipithecines, Australopithecines, *Homo habilis*, *Homo ergaster*, *Homo sapiens*.

4. Describe the major linguistic groups, and cultural traditions within the regions of the African continent.
5. Describe the ancient civilizations that existed in Africa, Egypt, the West African kingdoms, Nubia, and Ethiopia.
6. Demonstrate a basic understanding of indigenous, Christian, and Islamic religions.
7. Explain the expansion of the Islamic religion in Africa.
8. Explain the origins of the slave trade in Africa.
9. Describe the colonization of Africa by the European powers.
10. Contrast the British and French colonial systems that existed on the African continent.
11. Describe the African independence movement, the leaders of this movement, and major events.

New Resources for Course

Course Textbooks/Resources

Textbooks
Manuals
Periodicals
Software

Equipment/Facilities

Level III classroom

<u>Reviewer</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
Faculty Preparer: <i>Christopher Barrett</i>	<i>Faculty Preparer</i>	<i>Mar 15, 2023</i>
Department Chair/Area Director: <i>Christopher Barrett</i>	<i>Recommend Approval</i>	<i>Mar 16, 2023</i>
Dean: <i>Scott Britten</i>	<i>Recommend Approval</i>	<i>Mar 17, 2023</i>
Curriculum Committee Chair: <i>Randy Van Wagnen</i>	<i>Recommend Approval</i>	<i>Apr 12, 2023</i>
Assessment Committee Chair: <i>Shawn Deron</i>	<i>Recommend Approval</i>	<i>Apr 13, 2023</i>
Vice President for Instruction: <i>Victor Vega</i>	<i>Approve</i>	<i>Apr 13, 2023</i>