COURSE DETAIL

POSTCOLONIAL AFRICAN FICTION

Country

Taiwan

Host Institution

National Taiwan University

Program(s)

National Taiwan University

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Comparative Literature African Studies

UCEAP Course Number

140

UCEAP Course Suffix

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UCEAP Official Title

POSTCOLONIAL AFRICAN FICTION

UCEAP Transcript Title

POSTCOL AFRICA FIC

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

Course Description

This course introduces students to fiction and other critical and cultural perspectives from the postcolonial world. This course discusses selected texts from postcolonial Africa, beginning with examining what Ngugi wa Thiong'o has called the "struggles to move the centre"—that is, the political and cultural struggles to "correct the imbalances of the last four hundred years" of colonization. The course then turns to fictional writings and other cultural texts that come out of various decolonization struggles in Nigeria, Algeria, Kenya, and South Africa. The course seeks to answer the question: Why should these texts and ideas matter to us today?

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

FL4178

Host Institution Course Title

FICTION: POSTCOLONIAL AFRICA

Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

College of Liberal Arts

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures

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