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We acknowledge the enduring presence and contributions of the First Nations, Inuit, and Métis peoples to this land, and recognize their deep connection to the territories, waters, and resources. We acknowledge the painful history of colonization, forced displacement, and cultural suppression that Indigenous Peoples have endured, and the ongoing impacts of these injustices.

We commit to honouring Indigenous rights, supporting reconciliation efforts, and fostering meaningful relationships with Indigenous communities based on mutual respect, understanding, and partnership. May we all work together towards healing, justice, and a future where Indigenous Peoples are empowered to thrive and flourish across Turtle Island.

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Dear Participant,

It is with great pleasure that we welcome you to attend the Canadian Association of African Studies (CAAS) Conference 2025. This document will provide the following:

- I. Logistical information about the conference
- II. General information about Toronto, particularly Scarborough

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Participants who would like to explore the city—including local neighborhoods or Downtown Toronto—can find recommendations on TripAdvisor. A list of suggested places is also provided below.

Social Media & Communication

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WELCOME ADDRESSES

Welcome Address from the President of CAAS



On behalf of the Canadian Association of African Studies (CAAS), I am thrilled to warmly welcome you to our 2025 annual conference in this growing interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary field of African Studies. The conference is hosted by the African Studies Program in the Department of Global Development Studies at the University of Toronto Scarborough Campus (UTSC) from June 3rd to 6th, 2025.

Since its establishment in 1970, CAAS has maintained a long tradition of fostering a vibrant Africanist community in Canada, not only to facilitate transnational scholarly and scientific exchanges but also to enhance collaboration, solidarity, and networking among scholars with a keen interest in the study of Africa. Our annual conference, which brings together hundreds of scholars and researchers in North America, Africa, Europe, Asia, and other parts of the world into a singular forum, is a momentous occasion in this tradition. It is an opportunity, particularly for junior scholars and students, to share their work with peers and network with senior scholars for professional development, mentorship, and friendship.

With “Making, Unmaking, and Remaking Africa” as its theme, this year’s conference provides scholars, researchers, policy-shapers, and community members a forum to collectively generate ideas aimed at constructing, deconstructing, and reconstructing Africa from multiple and intersecting perspectives. Building on past themes of “African Reckonings and Futures” (2023) and “Sustainability and Sustainable Development” (2024), this theme reflects the fact that postcolonial Africa remains at a crossroads, facing immense challenges and opportunities. While Africa has experienced more than six decades of independence from European colonialism (even if this is a relatively short period of time), its transformative agenda remains constrained by a postcolonial condition and mentality. Whereas its youthful population, resilient people, and vast natural resources remain a source of hope, the realisation of this expectation for many continues to be stymied by colonial-era governance structures, greedy and selfish leaders, armed conflicts and violence, and growing inequality. With former colonial powers maintaining undue influence over many African governments, foreign companies continuing extractive and exploitative practices, and new rising powers like China forging ties that disproportionately benefit them and client regimes, neocolonial relations have persisted. Thus, the “Making, Unmaking, and Remaking Africa” conference is a timely and critical forum for rethinking and reimaging the transformation of Africa within local, regional, and global contexts. In addition to interrogating and advancing scholarly discourses, we will reflect upon practical and alternative solutions that are responsive to the realities of Africa today.

As a hybrid conference, we are looking forward to welcoming you to the vibrant city of Toronto or facilitating your participation online. Those travelling to Toronto, be assured that we are doing our best to provide opportunities for professional and social networking and for enjoying your time in the city, including its diverse cultures, attractive sites, welcoming vibe, and nice summer weather.

May I reiterate our association’s call for an immediate ceasefire in all armed conflicts in Africa and other parts of the world. We stand in unwavering solidarity with innocent victims, oppressed peoples, racialised minorities, and other persecuted groups all over the world in the spirit of our collective Ubuntu (humanity).

On behalf of CAAS, I would like to express my deepest gratitude to the African Studies Program at UTSC for generously hosting the conference and providing welcoming and well-equipped facilities on your beautiful campus, which were made available to our conference participants at no cost. Thank you, Program Supervisor Dr. Zubairu Wai, for your collaboration and support in convening a successful conference. We thank the Continental African Diaspora Scholars Network (CADSN), particularly its Mentorship Lead Dr. Thomas Tieku, for collaborating with CAAS to organise the Lunch & Learn Professional Development series this year.

I would like to express my profound appreciation to our two-time conference chair, Dr. Damilola Adebayo, and Local Organising Committee (LOC) co-chair, Dr. Cynthia Kwakyewah, for your tireless and enthusiastic roles in planning and managing the conference. I sincerely thank members of the Conference Planning and Local Organizing Committees including LOC co-chairs Dr. Zubairu Wai and Dr. Cynthia Kwakyewah, Vice President Dr. Michael Akinpelu, Treasurer Jones Adjei, former President Dr. Grace Adeniyi-Ogunyankin, Dr. Jeffery Squire, Dr. Rose Ndengue, Dr. Titilayo Soremi, Dr. Isaac Odoom, Dr. Wumi Asubiaru-Dada, Dr. Damilola Odekunle, Dr. Peter White, and graduate students Chika Maduakolam, Patrick Okpalaekwe, Amidu Matura, Michael Ayaji, Zerihun Kinate, Nellie Kamau, Valerie Lawson, Fatoumata Kane, Oluwadamilola Babatunde, Michael Ajayi, Mariem Hamdy, and Alaa Mazloum. Special shout-out to our Administrative Coordinator, Abdou Rahim Lema, for diligently attending to all administrative matters and always supporting the conference planning committees. Finally, my profound appreciation to our fantastic volunteers who, in diverse ways, enabled participants to easily navigate UTSC and the hybrid components of the conference, as well as the CAAS Awards Committee members (Dr. Abel Chikanda, Dr. Sylvia Bawa, Dr. Chike Nwoke, Dr. Ruth Murambadoro, Dr. Soji Cole, and Dr. Evelyn Kissi) who reviewed submissions/nominations in time for announcements at the Annual General Meeting.

CAAS owes a depth of gratitude to our keynote speakers and invited panelists who devoted their time to make the conference a rewarding experience for our participants. The association is grateful to its sponsors, including the Faculty of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies, the African Studies Program at York University, and the Kenyan High Commission in Ottawa.

I wish you an intellectually stimulating and productive conference. And to those who are travelling, I wish you safe and smooth travels to and from Toronto.

*Warmest welcome,
Mohamed Sesay,
President, Canadian Association of African Studies (CAAS)*

Welcome Note from the Conference Chair



On behalf of the entire planning team, I would like to welcome you all to the CAAS/ACEA 2025 conference. As you have read in previous communications, this year's conference is our largest in recent years, featuring approximately 130 events, including conventional academic sessions, lunch-and-learn professional development sessions, movie screenings, stage performances, and plenary lectures. About 500 participants (including academics, public intellectuals, professionals, and community members) from across Canada and 60 other countries are joining us here at the University of Toronto Scarborough and online. We are grateful to the African Studies programme at the University of Toronto Scarborough for hosting this year's conference. We would also like to thank our sponsors: York University, the Canadian Journal of African Studies, the Continental African Diaspora Scholars Network-Canada (CADSN-Canada), and the Kenyan High Commission in Ottawa.

This year's conference is possible only because of the incredible support and hard work of a strong team working in the background. To this end, I would like to thank the members of our indefatigable Local Organising Committee and the various sub-committees led by Dr. Cynthia Kwakyewah. I am grateful to every single member of the entire planning team, already mentioned by name in the President's welcome address above. I am also grateful to our volunteers, many of whom are fellow conference participants, who have generously donated their time to ensure the successful delivery of our hybrid conference.

As we embark on this intellectual feast during the next four days, I wish you all a productive time of presentations, professional development, exploring new collaboration opportunities, and the formation of long-lasting friendships.

Damilola Adebayo
CAAS Conference Chair

Message from the Canadian Journal of African Studies / Revue canadienne des études africaines



On behalf of the Editors of Canadian Journal of African Studies / Revue canadienne des études africaines, welcome to the 2025 conference of the Canadian Association of African Studies. CJAS/RCEA is the official journal of CAAS. Launched in 1967, it is a bilingual multidisciplinary journal that aims to enrich knowledge of Africa by publishing rigorous scholarship about the continent and its individual countries. The journal recognises the academic value of diverse perspectives and sites of knowledge production and considers submissions from scholars at all career stages and in any part of the world. We especially encourage submissions from Africa-based scholars or African scholars based in Canada. For recent articles and issues, submission guidelines, and other information about CJAS/RCEA, see <https://www.tandfonline.com/journals/rca20>

CJAS/RCEA Editors will be in attendance at the conference. We will be offering two sessions: a "Publish That Article" panel where you can meet some of the Editors and talk about publishing your work in the journal; and the Youé lecture, presented this year by historian Prof.

Philip Zachernuk (Dalhousie). We are also happy to talk informally to participants interested in finding out more about publishing in the journal.

CAAS 2025 promises to be an exciting meeting, with in-person and virtual attendance from Canada, Africa and around the world. We look forward to meeting you!

Au nom des rédactrices/rédacteurs de la Revue canadienne des études africaines / Canadian Journal of African Studies, je vous souhaite la bienvenue au congrès 2025 de l'Association canadienne des études africaines. La RCEA/CJAS est la revue officielle de l'ACÉA. Lancée en 1967, c'est une revue bilingue et multidisciplinaire qui vise à enrichir les connaissances sur l'Afrique en publiant des travaux de recherche rigoureux sur le continent et ses pays. La revue reconnaît la valeur académique de la diversité des perspectives et des lieux de production du savoir et examine les soumissions de chercheur.e.s à tous les stades de leur carrière et partout dans le monde. Nous encourageons particulièrement les soumissions de chercheur.e.s basé.e.s en Afrique ou au Canada. Pour consulter les articles et numéros récents, les directives de soumission et d'autres informations sur la RCEA/CJAS, veuillez consulter le site <https://www.tandfonline.com/journals/rca20>.

Les rédactrices/rédacteurs de la RCEA/CJAS seront présent.e.s au congrès. Nous proposerons deux séances : une table ronde « Publiez cet article » où vous pourrez rencontrer certain.e.s des rédactrices/rédacteurs et discuter de la publication de vos travaux dans la revue ; ainsi que la conférence Youé, présentée cette année par le professeur d'histoire Philip Zachernuk (Dalhousie). Il nous fera également plaisir d'échanger de manière informelle avec les participant.e.s souhaitant en savoir plus sur la publication dans la revue.

CAAS 2025 promet d'être un congrès stimulant, avec des gens participant en personne et virtuellement à partir du Canada, d'Afrique et du monde entier. Au plaisir de vous rencontrer !

Belinda Dodson (PhD)
Coordinating editor / Rédactrice coordonnatrice



Welcome from the Program Supervisor, African Studies Program, UTSC

As Program Supervisor of the African Studies Program at the University of Toronto Scarborough (UTSC), the official host of this year's CAAS conference, I am pleased to welcome you to our campus and to the CAAS 2025 Conference. The CAAS annual conference is the flagship event of the Canadian Association of African Studies and the largest gathering of African scholars and Africanists in Canada with over 500 participants. The African Studies Program at UTSC is especially excited to host this wonderful community of scholars at our beautiful parkland campus next to Highland Creek. We hope this year's conference will not only help to advance the multidisciplinary diversity that is CAAS but also inspire inclusive excellence in line with UTSC's strategic plan. As host, we have, in collaboration with the conference team, prepared an exciting programme and assembled an impressive roster of speakers, panels, roundtables, and other events. As we seek to expand the African Studies Program at UTSC, we are grateful to have this vibrant gathering of scholars with us at UTSC! Please explore our campus and take in the sights. We hope that you will have a wonderful and rewarding time at the conference.

Welcome to UTSC and the Canadian Association of African Studies 2025 Conference!

Zubairu Wai
Program Supervisor, African Studies Program, UTSC



Welcome from the Chair of Global Development Studies and the African Studies Program

The Department of Global Development Studies (GDS) and the African Studies Program at the University of Toronto Scarborough welcomes this year's participants in the Canadian Association of African Studies. Welcome to UTSC and GDS!!

As the Conference theme "Making, Unmaking and Remaking Africa" extols, the Conference promises to advance an eclectic and exciting set of discussions and debates that will undoubtedly leave us smarter and hopefully bring us closer together as African and Africanist scholars

working to advance the contributions of African Descendants all over the globe.

Aligning with the work in the Department, we hope that the connections made over these four days of meetings will contribute to the aims of the Second UN International Decade (2025-2035) for People of African Descent and the Decades renewed calls for "Recognition, Justice and Development."

As the Chair of the UN Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent insists, and we in GDS agree,

"It's now time to turn the rhetoric to reality, the acknowledgement into answers and the apologies into action to address the unfinished business of racial justice. For reparatory justice to right historical wrongs. For environmental justice, for sustainable development and for digital justice to assure the future of all peoples" (Reynolds 2024).

Welcome, CAAS participants, to the Department of Global Development Studies at UTSC!

Sincerely,

Sharlene Mollett
Chair, Global Development Studies and the African Studies Program

Solidarity Statement with Sudan

As African scholars and academics, we are deeply concerned about the ongoing crisis in Sudan. The people of Sudan have been subjected to one of the gravest humanitarian disasters in recent times since a brutal conflict broke out between the Sudanese Armed Forces and a state-sponsored paramilitary group known as the Rapid Support Forces. We are saddened by the number of civilian casualties, the displacement of millions, the looming famine and starvation, and the wanton decimation of large parts of the country. We call on the warring factions to respect international humanitarian and human rights law, cease violence against women, children, and defenceless civilians, abandon the use of guns to achieve political objectives, and resume of negotiations for a political settlement of this crisis. We call upon the international community, including the African Union, United Nations, European Union, and regional actors, to support an end to the war in Sudan. We reiterate our solidarity with the aspirations of the Sudanese people for freedom, peace, and justice, as expressed in the slogan of their December 2018 Uprising and struggle for a full civilian democracy. We call upon our colleagues in the international academic community to continue supporting this call and stand in solidarity with the people of Sudan.

Ceasefire now!

For all conflicts across the world, including the war in [Sudan](#), [South Sudan](#), [the Democratic Republic of Congo](#), [Somalia](#), [Cameroon](#), [Libya](#), [Ethiopia](#), [Central African Republic](#), [the Sahel region](#), [Palestine](#), [Ukraine](#), and many others, CAAS calls for a permanent ceasefire and cessation of hostilities. We call on members of the international community to double their efforts to silence the guns and halt the perpetration of genocide, crimes against humanity, war crimes, sexual violence, decimation of learning institutions, and other grave human rights abuses related to war. We strongly denounce racism, Islamophobia, antisemitism, xenophobia, homophobia, gender discrimination, tribalism, and any form of discrimination that fuels violence around the world. We abhor militarism and the military-industrial complex, which profits from the killing and suffering of millions of innocent civilians across the world. We strongly condemn the use of starvation, famine, and denial of humanitarian relief to desperate populations as a weapon of war. We stand in unwavering solidarity with people affected by these wars and other forms of organised violence. On behalf of these defenceless and innocent civilians, we implore all governments and militant groups to resolve conflicts peacefully. Ceasefire now!

EVENTS SCHEDULE

DAY 1: Tuesday, June 3, 2025

Conference Registration: 8 AM – 5 PM | Highland Hall Event Centre

9:00 AM – 10:20 AM (June 3, 2025)
Session Block 1

Session 1A: 9:00 am – 10:20 am (June 3) | Humanities Wing 305

Zoom Link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87510792673?pwd=Olm0g10HVm400pxrzDiuhfHaNzUNN7.1>

Passcode: 461571

Women, Conflict and Violent Extremism in Africa // Femmes, conflits et extrémisme violent en Afrique

Organiser & Chair: Melchisedek Chétima (UQAM, Montréal, Canada)

Femmes et extrémisme violent de la secte Boko Haram dans le Bassin du Lac Tchad en Afrique centrale. François Wassouini (Université de Maroua, Cameroun)

Itinéraire d'adhésion et de désengagement d'une ex-associée à Boko Haram à l'Extrême-Nord du Cameroun. Mbarkoutou Mahamat Henri (Université de Maroua, Cameroun)

Les femmes au sein de Boko Haram. Chétima Melchisedek (UQAM, Montréal, Canada)

Session 1B: 9:00 am – 10:20 am (June 3) | Humanities Wing 308

Zoom Link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82082874739?pwd=d6U9bu4wi8OzU1bbfCvpLKFATDojJ.1>

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Global Health, Human Rights, and Healthcare Policies

Chair: Nduka Udeagha (University of Leeds, Leeds, United Kingdom)

Jurisprudential Assessment of the Right to Health: Challenges and Opportunities for Improving Healthcare Facilities In Africa. Friday Agbo (Veritas University, FCT-Abuja, Nigeria)

Healthcare Access: An Analysis of the National Health Insurance Scheme in Accra, Ghana. Valerie Lawson (York University, Toronto, Canada)

Remaking Global Health Paradigms? Assessing South-South Cooperation in Three Health Projects in DRC and Tanzania engaged by China. Aidan Huang (Tsinghua University, Beijing, China. Harvard University, Boston, USA)

Navigating Compliance: Health Strategies and Resilience among African Migrants in Guangzhou during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Qiuyu (Choo) Jiang (IT University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen, Denmark)

Session 1C: 9:00 am – 10:20 am (June 3) | Humanities Wing 216

Zoom Link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/8767684109?pwd=3uU4i6bvNSqMo74cNwoxsX7FjawhZ3.1>

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Decolonising Peace and Security: Inclusive Conflict Resolution and Counteracting Extremism in Africa

Chair: Kennedy Opande (York University, Toronto, Canada)

Marginalization and Insecurity: The Bane of Peace and Prosperity in South-East Nigeria. Ngozi Kris Ogbodo (University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Nigeria)

Exploring the Perspectives of Former Boko Haram Members on the OPSC Deradicalisation in Nigeria: Assessing the Counter-Terrorism Strategy. Bonaventure Chia (University of Leeds, Leeds, United Kingdom)

Negotiating with Jihadists? Assessing Obstacles and Opportunities: The Case of Mozambique. Salvador Forquilha (Institute for Social and Economic Studies - IESE, Maputo, Mozambique)

Session 1D: 9:00 am – 10:20 am (June 3) | Humanities Wing 408

Zoom Link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86820266901?pwd=Rk07QhFgyb3T3A8d6ORtBOFluDclHJ.1>

Passcode: 013334

Digital Technologies and Women's Empowerment: Reimagining Africa's Future and Casting the Bridges (I)

Organiser & Chair: Tinuade Ojo (University of Johannesburg, Johannesburg, South Africa)

Co-chair & Moderator: Dorcas Ettang (Durban University of Technology, Durban, South Africa)

The Digital Revolution: Implications for Gender Equality and Women's Rights in SADC Countries – 32 Years after the AU Gender Directorate. Tinuade Adekunbi Ojo (University of Johannesburg)

Exploring the Nexus between Digital Technologies, Peace and Security in Africa. Dorcas Ettang (Durban University of Technology)

Sub-Saharan African Ports: Pros and Cons of Blockchain Technology. O.A Osundiran (University of South Africa)

Session 1E: 9:00 am – 10:20 am (June 3) | Humanities Wing 214

Zoom Link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85251087924?pwd=DOo24C5ag3kcluIWpyt9XAlqWVMjMC.1>

Passcode: 283316

Faire, défaire et refaire la relation entre les nomades et les sédentaires au Sahara et au Sahel

Organiser: Adib Bencherif (Université de Sherbrooke, Sherbrooke, Canada)

Discussant: Pietro Marzo (TELUQ, Québec, Canada)

Construire, déconstruire et reconstruire le récit des interactions politiques entre Touaregs algériens et autorités coloniales françaises. Audrey Tremblay (Université de Sherbrooke, Sherbrooke, Canada)

Dynamiques conflictuelles et agentivité touarègue : Percevoir et vivre les conflits dans l'Ahaggar colonial. Yacine Hamdi (Université de Sherbrooke, Sherbrooke, Canada)

Des biais orientalistes et de genre à l'agentivité oubliée des femmes nomades dans le conflit armé malien. Gabrielle Goyet (Université de Sherbrooke, Sherbrooke, Canada)

Récits des communautés touarègues : échos et silences dans le Sahara algérien. Adib Bencherif (Université de Sherbrooke, Sherbrooke, Canada)

Session 1F: 9:00 am – 10:20 am (June 3) | Humanities Wing 215

Zoom link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89682182796?pwd=HX802ZGzdAbPYhSIXV4asaUCbrRfHQ.1>

Passcode: 046061

Inclusion, Development, and Socio-Economic Challenges

Chair: Rose Ndengue (York University, Glendon, Toronto, Canada)

Labor market participation and Gender earnings gap among young: The case of Senegal. Mamadou Abdoulaye Diallo (Consortium pour la Recherche Economique et Sociale (CRES), Dakar, Senegal)

Gender View: Making and Unmaking in Charcoal Production in Saki Area of Oyo State. Abiola Victoria Ayodokun (University of Ibadan, Nigeria)

Curtailing Tendencies that Engender Poverty and Financial Wastage Through Effective Consumer Education among Nigerian Women. Abigail Olugbamigbe (Adeyemi Federal University of Education, Nigeria)

Education Financing in Fragile and Conflict-Affected Nations: The Global Partnership for Education's Contributions to Donor Coordination in Nigeria. Dickson David Agbaji (Peking University, Beijing, China), Stephen Philip (Peking University, Beijing, China)

Session 1G: 9:00 am – 10:20 am (June 3) | Bladen Wing 264

Zoom Link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88538166472?pwd=6dRy2kV0c2AEf52jkAOrlMuHORIqfy.1>

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Cultural Heritage and Sustainability: Fashion, Tourism, and Corporate Social Responsibility

Chair: Mathew Ayodele (Stanford University, Stanford, California, USA)

Harnessing Ethiopia's Dark Skies: Integrating Astro-Tourism and Cultural Heritage for Sustainable Development. Abel Tesfaye Sisaye (Debre Berhan University, Ethiopia)

Contradictions and contestations within Lephalale's Tourism Development Vision(s). Marc Epprecht (Queen's, Kingston, Canada), Oarisa Riddoch (Queen's, Kingston, Canada)

Rethinking Corporate Social Responsibility Initiatives of Private Sector Firms: Towards a Sustainable Transformative Agenda in Nigeria's Middle Belt Region. Ochanya Ajii (Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta, Turkey)

Economy of Clothing: Used Clothes as Nigeria's Creative Economy, Fashion Sense, and Its Impact on Local Textile Industries. Ojo Oluranti (Anchor University, Lagos, Nigeria)

10:30 AM – 11:50 AM (June 3, 2025)

Session Block 2

Session 2A: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 3) | Humanities Wing 305

Zoom Link:

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Human Rights During Conflict in Africa

Chair: Oluwatosin Adeyemi (University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, USA)

The Dilemma of Humanitarian Intervention: The Fall of Gaddafi and Responsibility to Protect. Henry Young Nwachukwu (Delta State University, Abraka, Nigeria)

Reflections on Violence Against Women in Sub-Saharan Africa: The Case of Cameroon. Pauline Ashu (University of Maroua, Maroua, Cameroon)

Poverty, Health, and Gender Justice: Rethinking Women's Rights in Nigeria. Yewande Fatoki (Lead City University, Ibadan, Nigeria), Temitope Olorunnipa (Lead City University, Ibadan, Nigeria)

Networks of Violence: Alliance Formation and Fragmentation in Sudan's April 15 Conflict. Nohad Eltayeb (Independent scholar, Rotterdam, Netherlands)

Session 2B: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 3) | Humanities Wing 308

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Passcode: 012418

Rebachelorisation: Migration, Gender and Shifting African Paradigms

Organiser & Chair: Feyi Ademola-Adeoye (University of Lagos, Lagos, Nigeria)

Discussant: Anthony Okeregbe (University of Lagos, Lagos, Nigeria)

From “Omugwo” to Rebachelorisation: Migration, Gendered Expectations, and Conceptions of a “Better Life” among Contemporary Nigerian Families. Feyi Ademola-Adeoye (University of Lagos, Lagos, Nigeria), Tito Kolawole University of Lagos, Lagos, Nigeria)

“...you love money than looking for your future settlement”: *Rebachelorisation and Colonial Plantations in British Southern Cameroons.* Eric A. Anchimbe (University of Bayreuth, Germany)

‘Rebachelorisation’: Interrogating A Concept In Contexts. Sharon Omotoso (University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria)

Re-bachelorisation in Matrimony: The Rites and Wrongs of Olajøjo qmø Re-examined. Oluwatoyin Olokodana-James (University of Lagos, Lagos, Nigeria)

“Woman like Ground Wey Soft”: Becoming men and finding love on the streets of Lagos. Diekara Oloruntoba-Oju (Harvard University, USA)

Session 2C: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 3) | Humanities Wing 216

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Passcode: 308760

Imagining a Post-imperialist Future: Global Africa in the Transformation of World Order

Chair and Discussant: Zubairu Wai (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)

Wilderness, Wildlife and the National Question of Land in the New Scramble for Africa. Aby L. Sène (Clemson University, USA)

The Implications of the China-Africa relations: Anti-imperialist vs imperialist futures. Bikrum Gill (Virginia Tech, USA)

Race, War, and Empire: Haiti’s Confrontation with Militarised ‘Humanitarianism’. Jemima Pierre (University of British Columbia, Canada)

Revisiting Decolonization in the Sahel: Military Coups, Anti-Imperialism, and the Quest for Multipolarity. Momodou Taal (Cornell University, Ithaca, USA)

Session 2D: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 3) | Humanities Wing 408

Zoom Link:

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Passcode: 013334

Digital Technologies and Women’s Empowerment: Reimagining Africa’s Future and Casting the Bridges (II)

Organiser & Chair: Tinuade Ojo (University of Johannesburg, Johannesburg, South Africa)

Co-chair & Moderator: Dorcas Ettang (Durban University of Technology, Durban, South Africa)

Digital Inclusion and Access to 4IR technologies-Fighting GBVF in South Africa. Ntandoyenkosi Maphosa (University of Johannesburg)

South African black Women in Digital Marketing: Strengths and Limitations. Tolulope Adeogun (Durban University of Technology)

Mobile Technology and Women-Led Early Warning Systems in North-Eastern Nigeria. Omosefe Oyekanmi (University of Johannesburg, South Africa)

Session 2E: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 3) | Humanities Wing 214

Zoom Link:

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Passcode: 283316

Peacebuilding and Postcolonial Conflict Resolution (I)

Chair: Ifeyinwa (Ify) Okadigbo (York University, Toronto, Canada)

Mai Kariya (Female Protectors): Unveiling the Role of Women in Shaping Safety and Identity in Kaduna’s Conflict Zones. Omowumi Asubiaro Dada (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)

Afro-Multidimensional Strategic Communication as a Catalyst for Reducing Religiously Motivated Violence in Africa: Perspectives from Nigeria and Kenya. Justine John Dyukuk (University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, United Kingdom)

Narrative Construction and the Unmaking of Perpetrators’ Identity: Rethinking Rehabilitation in Post-Genocide Rwanda. Felix Bigabo (Prison Fellowship Rwanda, Kigali, Rwanda)

Session 2F: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 3) | Humanities Wing 215

Zoom Link:

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Passcode: 046061

Table-ronde: Féminisme et Renaissance Africaine

Organiser: Fifonsi Carine DANHOUAN (Ligue Béninoise des Droits des Femmes, Cotonou, Benin)

Fifonsi Carine DANHOUAN (Ligue Béninoise des Droits des Femmes, Cotonou, Benin)

Toyin Dyva AGBOTON (Ecole Nationale des sciences et techniques de l'information et de la communication/Université d'Abomey Calavi, Benin)

Biheri SAID SOILIHI (Association féministe comorienne BORA, Ikonni, Comoros // Université Paris Cité, Paris, France)

Rose NDENGUE (York University, Glendon, Toronto, Canada)

Session 2G: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 3) | Bladen Wing 264

Zoom Link:

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Passcode: 502765

Public Roundtable: Finding Our Collective Voice: A Dialogic Space for African Women to Promote Anticolonial Regeneration among the Diaspora

Organisers:

Di-Tu Dissassa (The Fulbright Program, Pretoria, South Africa)

Martha Kakooza (Morgan State University, Baltimore, USA)

Session 2H: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 3) | Highland Hall 421

Zoom Link:

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Passcode: 399637

Histoire et transformations de l'Afrique

Chair: Nathalie-Marie LeBlanc (University of Quebec in Montreal, Montréal, Canada)

Hamman Yaji : Un maraudeur d'esclaves de renom dans les monts Mandara en contexte colonial (1902-1927) Leon Guiyele (UQAM, Montréal, Canada)

Le "pré-postcolonial" : une longue étape de transition vers l'indépendance effective (en Afrique) Abdou Karim TANDJIGORA (Université Cheikh Anta Diop de Dakar, Senegal), Mouhamadou Moustapha Sow (Université Cheikh Anta Diop de Dakar, Senegal)

Le lamidalisme comme catégorie d'analyse des atteintes à la liberté académique au Cameroun. José Donadoni MANGA KALNIGA (Centre National d'Education, Yaoundé, Cameroon)

Le M'mouat (costume) en Afrique : le faire, le défaire et le refaire ? Brigitte Nadège Fleurette Nga Ondigui (UQAM, Montréal, Canada)

**LUNCH BREAK
Highland Hall Event Centre**

12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

**Lunch & Learn
12:10 PM – 1:20 PM**

Pre-Registration Required - in-person only //
Inscription préalable requise - uniquement en personne

**English Workshop | Highland Hall Event Centre
*Progressing through the ranks: Mentorship, networks, and peer support***

Facilitators

Alpha Abebe (McMaster University, Hamilton, Canada) - Chair
Peter White (Stellenbosch University, Stellenbosch, South Africa)

Paul Ugor (University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Canada)
Sulaimon Abiodun Olawale Giwa (Memorial University of Newfoundland and Labrador)

Linda Darkwa (University of Ghana, Accra, Ghana)
Uwafio kun Idemudia (University of Guelph, Guelph, Canada)
Ganiyat Adesina-Uthman (National Open University of Nigeria, Abuja, Nigeria)

Français | Bladen Wing 264

Progresser dans les rangs : Mentorat, réseaux et soutien par les pairs

Facilitators

Rose Ndengue (York University, Toronto, Canada) - Chair
Jean Ntakirutimana (Brock University, St. Catherines, Canada)

Gertrude Mianda (York University, Toronto, Canada)
Idiatou Bah (Université Laval, Québec, Canada)
Nathanael Ojong (York University, Toronto, Canada)
Alexie Tchueuyap (University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Canada)

1:30 PM – 2:50 PM (June 3, 2025)

Session Block 3

Session 3A: 1:30 pm – 2:50 pm (June 3) | Humanities Wing 305

Zoom Link:

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Passcode: 461571

Gouvernance durable des ressources naturelles et préservation des écosystèmes forestiers africains dans un contexte pressant de changements climatiques

Organiser & Chair: Idiatou Bah (Université Laval, Québec, Canada)

Thierno Bachir Sy (Université Cheick Anta Diop de Dakar (UCAD), Dakar, Senegal)

Thierno Amrou Diallo (Université de Sonfonia, Conakry, Guinea)

Lou Sromman Anicette Sery (Université Laval, Québec, Canada)

Hadjia Mariama Dalanda Barry (Université Laval, Québec, Canada)

Roussel Lalande Teguia Kenmegne (Université Laval, Québec, Canada)

Session 3B: 1:30 pm – 2:50 pm (June 3) | Humanities Wing 308

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Passcode: 012418

Esclavage et mobilités sociales en Afrique

Organiser: Melchisedek Chétima (University of Quebec in Montreal, Montréal, Canada)

Slave Deportations, Forced Settlements and Competing Memories in Chad. Historical Salienties and Controversial Issues. Adam Mahamat (University of Maroua, Cameroon)

L'esclavage comme outil d'ascension social chez la paysannerie soudanaise durant le régime colonial égyptien 1821-1885. Gabriel Beauchamp (University of Quebec in Montreal, Montréal, Canada)

Esclavage et mobilité sur la Gambie aux XVIIe et XVIIIe siècles. Abdoul Aziz Diagne (University of Quebec in Montreal, Montréal, Canada)

Gourdo hore-forêt, ou la trajectoire iconoclaste d'une subalterne devenue cheffe à Ngaoundéré (Nord Cameroun) au XXe siècle. Elias Banésé Betaré (University of Quebec in Montreal, Montréal, Canada)

Session 3C: 1:30 pm – 2:50 pm (June 3) | Humanities Wing 402

Zoom Link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87676841099?pwd=3uU4i6bvNSqMo74cNwoxsX7FjwhZ3.1>

Passcode: 308760

African Epistemologies of Being

Chair: Momodou Taal (Cornell University, Ithaca, USA)

From Rituals to Regulations: The Influence of Cross River Igbo Secret Societies in Promoting Professional Behavior. Nduka Udeagha (University of Leeds, Leeds, United Kingdom)

Towards an Afrocentric epistemology of life: ontological liberation and knowledge sovereignty in the era of decoloniality. Kennedy Opande (York University, Toronto, Canada)

Centering Ubuntu in Modern African Polity: A Critical Examination for pro-African Development. Gaudencia Mudada (University of Zimbabwe, Harare, Zimbabwe)

Session 3D: 1:30 pm – 2:50 pm (June 3) | Humanities Wing 408

Zoom Link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86820266901?pwd=Rk07OhFgyb3T3A8d6ORtBOFl0DcLHJ.1>

Passcode: 013334

Peacebuilding and Postcolonial Conflict Resolution (II)

Chair: Felix Bigabo (Prison Fellowship Rwanda, Kigali, Rwanda)

Assessing the Socio-Political and Economic Effects of Terrorism in West Africa: A Case Study of Boko Haram. Alimatu Sulemana (University of Windsor, Windsor, Canada. University of Ghana, Accra, Ghana)

Sustainable Diplomacy: A Conduit to Peacebuilding Along the Borderline of Northern Kenya. Precious Wapukha (Kibabii University, BUNGOMA, Kenya)

The problematic of the integration of the Pastoral Mbororo in Cameroon's Northwest Region. Nicodemus Fru AWASOM (University of Buea, Buea, Cameroon)

Session 3E: 1:30 pm – 2:50 pm (June 3) | Humanities Wing 216

Webinar Zoom Link:

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Passcode: 874152

STAGE PLAY (Solo Performance)

Rethinking Good Intentions: Reflections on Epistemic Injustices and Humility

Solo Artist: Nancy Edwards (School of Nursing, University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Canada)

Discussion Moderator: Mohamed Sesay (York University, Canada)

Summary: This solo, story-telling play is written and performed by Nancy Edwards, a former CUSO volunteer who worked for five years as a community health nurse in rural Sierra Leone in the 1970s and 1980s. The script is largely based on Nancy's memoir ("Not One, Not Even One: A Memoir of Life-altering experiences in Sierra Leone, West Africa"). The play debuted in 2024 with over 25 performances at fringe festivals, universities, and community events (www.nancyedwards.ca – see "play" page).

Nancy brings us to the villages of Sierra Leone, to bear witness to the harsh realities of day-to-day life alongside the strengths and resilience of subsistence farmers. Through a series of village scenes, Nancy recounts the voices and views of Paramount and Village Chiefs, traditional birth attendants, and Sierra Leonean public health staff and students. These stories illustrate iterative processes of learning and unlearning as Nancy recognizes the intersections between village life and public health fieldwork. Nancy delves into how she evolved a deeper respect for contextual knowledge and indigenous knowledge systems and what it meant to offer development assistance on local terms. Some of her stories illustrate how the application of power-laden Western knowledge risked weakening community health interventions aimed at structural inequities. Nancy shares her jarring experiences of learning about some of Sierra Leone's historical and contemporary realities, including slavery, colonization, and a civil war.

This play encourages audiences to rethink and reimagine rural development work at the local level in an African nation through a journey of deepening epistemic humility.

Note: Most of the play's stories are situated in Sierra Leone. However, it is informed by Nancy's self-critique of her research and fieldwork experiences not only in West Africa but also in several East and Southern African nations.

3:00 PM – 4:20 PM (June 3, 2025)

Session Block 4

Plenary Session: Remembering V.Y. Mudimbe

Session 4: 3:00 pm – 4:20 pm (June 3) | Humanities Wing 216

Webinar Zoom Link:

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Passcode: 225063

Chair: Zubairu Wai (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)

Participants:

Gertrude Mianda (York University, Canada)

Zubairu Wai (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)

Pablo Idahosa (Emeritus Professor, York University, Canada)

Zahir Kolia (Toronto Metropolitan University, Canada)

Faye M. Fraser (Toronto Metropolitan University, Canada)

4:30 PM – 6:30 PM (June 3, 2025) Evening Session Day 1
<p>CAAS 2025 DOWNTOWN TORONTO TOUR // L'ACEA CENTRE-VILLE DE TORONTO</p> <p>Starting// À partir de: 4:30 PM</p> <p>Meeting Point // Point de rencontre: Highland Hall Event Centre</p>

Day 2: Wednesday, June 4, 2025

**Conference Registration: 8 AM – 5 PM |
Highland Hall Event Centre**

**9:00 AM – 10:20 AM (June 4, 2025)
Session Block 5**

Session 5A: 9:00 am – 10:20 am (June 4) | Humanities Wing 305

Zoom Link:

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Passcode: 461571

Traditional Knowledge and African Heritage: Past, Present, & Future (I)

Chair: Mariama Kadir English (University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, USA)

Indigenous Wisdom and Environmental Stewardship: Tallensi Burial Practices, 1800-1957. Dennis Tibil Bersong (Concordia University, Montreal, Canada).

Confiscating Fertility Gods: Women's Protests and Petitions for Reproductive and Religious Rights in Southern Nigeria, 1930–1940. Mathew Ayodele (Stanford University, Stanford, California, USA)

Reimagining African Health Law: Incorporating Traditional Medicine and Cultural Practices to Transform Healthcare in Africa. Goodluck Onyegbule (Alex Ekwueme Federal University, Ikwo, Ebonyi State, Nigeria)

Community on the Verge of Cultural Genocide? In Defense of the Indigenousness of Tanzania's Maasai in the Ngorongoro Conservation Area. Richard Mbunda (University of Dar es Salaam, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania)

In search of an Afro cooperative Epistemology of Development. Samuel Okwudilichukwu Uzoh (University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria; Augustine University, Illare-Epe, Lagos, Nigeria)

Session 5B: 9:00 am – 10:20 am (June 4) | Humanities Wing 308

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Passcode: 012418

Décolonisation des savoirs en Afrique (I)

Chair: Salif Kiendrebeogo (Université Norbert Zongo, Burkina Faso)

Indigénisation et endogénéisation : l'impératif de la décolonisation des mentalités pour le développement intégral et durable de l'Afrique subsaharienne. Nathanaël Noël Owono Zambo (Université de Yaoundé 1, Yaoundé, Cameroon)

Des savoirs initiatiques africains dans le sillage de l'africanisme : Hampâté Bâ et Njoh-Mouellé au cœur du débat. Guy Roland AMOIKON (Université Peleforo Gon Coulibaly, Korhogo, Côte d'Ivoire)

Re) penser l'Afrique sur la base des valeurs endogènes : faire valoir le « nouveau matriarcat » Willy Foumane (Université de Yaoundé 1, Yaoundé, Cameroon)

Mudimbe et Eboussi: d'une Afrique inventée à une Afrique à reinventer. Yannick Essengue (Université Jean Jaurès, Toulouse, France)

Session 5C: 9:00 am – 10:20 am (June 4) | Humanities Wing 402

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Passcode: 308760

Health and the Environment in Africa

Chair: Patrick Okpalaekwe (York University, Canada)

Digital Dining: Addressing Food Insecurity and Health Crises through Online Culinary Communities in Africa. SinmilOluwa Okunade (University of Lagos, Lagos, Nigeria)

Infectious Medical Waste (IMW) as a Conundrum in Disease Transmission and Spread in Sub-Saharan Africa. Jeffrey Squire (York University, Canada)

Disparities in neighbourhood microscale-built environment features by area-level deprivation in Lagos Metropolis Damilola Odekunle (University of Lagos, Lagos, Nigeria), Vide Adedayo (University of Lagos, Lagos, Nigeria)

Nature, Eco-Activism, and Hygiene: Engaging Eco-laden Yoruba Indigenous Nursery Rhymes in Southwestern Nigeria. Gbenga Falana (The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, USA)

Session 5D: 9:00 am – 10:20 am (June 4) | Humanities Wing 408

Zoom Link:

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Passcode: 013334

Sustainable Peace, Security, and the Legacies of Colonialism (I)

Chair: Kariuki Kirigia (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)

Decolonising Peace Education for Gender Inclusion and Sustainable Peace in Nigerian Households: A Survey. Ganiyat Adesina-Uthman (National Open University of Nigeria, Jabi, FCT Abuja, Nigeria)

Unmaking Colonialism: Art as Resistance in African Curatorial Practices. Fadzai Muchemwa (National Gallery of Zimbabwe, Harare, Zimbabwe)

Decolonizing the Legacies of Cognitive Imperialism and Neo-Colonialism: Case Study of Fallism in South Africa and Military-Junta in Burkina Faso. Oluwatosin Adeyemi (University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, USA)

Defiance in the Borderlands: The Tonga People Across the Zambezi River Border, 1964-1979. David Chemhuru (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)

Remaking Africa: Questions and Answers on militocracy and democracy in third world countries in the 21st century. Tajudeen Odebone Ishola (Lagos State University, Lagos, Nigeria)

Session 5E: 9:00 am – 10:20 am (June 4) | Humanities Wing 214

Zoom Link:

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Passcode: 283316

Urbanity and Infrastructure in Africa: Past & Present (I)

Chair: Oforiwaah Pee Agyei-Boakye (University of Minnesota Twin Cities, Minneapolis, USA)

Danfo: The Visual Aesthetics of Urban Mobility in Lagos. Akintunde Akinleye (Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada)

The Disjunction Between Global Urban Development Agendas and Practice at Local Levels in Africa: A Case of Nigeria. Taiwo Afinowu (University of Pretoria, Pretoria, South Africa)

Radio and Telegraph - The Technopolitics of Broadcasting and Cultural Imperialism in Nigeria. Nnamdi Nnake (McMaster University, Canada)

Grassroots Activism and Urban Governance: A Case of Sanitation Activism in Selected Cape Town Informal Settlements. Alex Kihehere Mukiga (University of the Free State, Bloemfontein, South Africa)

Session 5F: 9:00 am – 10:20 am (June 4) | Humanities Wing 215

Zoom link:

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Passcode: 046061

Gender and the Economy: Labour, Land, and Agriculture in Africa (I)

Chair: Amara Ifeji (University of Oxford, United Kingdom)

Female-headed Households, Urban Agriculture and Climate Change: Case of Dangamvura high-density suburb in Mutare, Zimbabwe. Gladys Mutangadura (Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, Canada)

Gender Effects of the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) in Burkina Faso. Patrice Rélouendé ZIDOUEMBA (Nazi Boni University, Burkina Faso)

The Struggle for Balance: Exploring Gender Roles Among Couple Ministers in Ghana. Grace Sintim Adasi (University of Ghana, Accra, Ghana)

Session 5G: 9:00 am – 10:20 am (June 4) | Bladen Wing 264

Zoom Link:

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Passcode: 502765

Gouvernance et démocratie en questions (I)

Chair: Bertrand-Michel MAHINI (Centre national d'éducation du Ministère de la recherche scientifique et de l'innovation, Yaoundé, Cameroon)

Analyse comparative de l'évolution de la démocratie électorale dans les anciens empires coloniaux en Afrique (1960-2024). Julio Cesar Dongmo (Université de Montréal, Montréal, Canada)

Analyse De La Decentralisation: Une Évaluation De La Satisfaction Des Populations De La Ville De Yaoundé. Hamadjoulde Tongare Abba Gadou (Universite De Yaounde 2, Cameroon)

Les coups d'Etat en Afrique contemporaine: Une forme de politique pragmatique. Mauricette Virginie ADIOBO (Université de Douala, Douala, Cameroon)

La dignité de la fonction présidentielle en Afrique noire francophone. Kobenan Kra Kpri (Université Jean Lorougnon GUEDE, DALOA, Côte d'Ivoire // CREDESPO / UBFC, Dijon, France)

Session 5H: 9:00 am – 10:20 am (June 4) | Highland Hall 421

Zoom Link:

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Passcode: 399637

Decolonising Gender and Sexualities in Africa (I):

Chair: Saba Hilali (Doha Institute for Graduate Studies, Doha, Qatar)

Making and Remaking the Gender Ideology in Africa: A Revisit of Indigenous Discourses. Ijeoma Nwaijaku (Federal Polytechnic Oko, Anambra State, Nigeria)

Onyenachiya: Queerness and Other Igbo Notions of Difference and Possibility. Onyemuche Ejisu (McMaster University, Hamilton, Canada & University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Nigeria)

“I’m a Muslim, but have learnt the hard way that these religions are suppressing our traditions”: *Sexual Agency in Africa.* Nancy Osei (Western University, Canada), Erica Lawson (Western University, Canada), Eric Tenkorang (Memorial University, Canada)

Unmasking Inter-Ethnic Racialization: The Story of a Northern Ghanaian Woman. Kenneth Gyamerah (Ontario Tech University, Canada), Gabriel Opare (University of Maryland, Maryland, USA)

Mekongo Mballa (Université Catholique d’Afrique Centrale, Yaoundé, Cameroon)

Intégration des perceptions locales dans la cartographie des risques d’inondation à Douala (Cameroon) : une approche méthodologique combinée. Roussel Lalande Teguia Kenmegne (Université Laval, Québec, Canada)

Résilience des communautés forestières à l’impact de l’exploitation minière sur l’environnement à travers cinq études de cas exploratoires en Afrique. Thierno Bachir Sy (Université Cheick Anta Diop de Dakar (UCAD), Dakar, Senegal), Idiatou Bah (Université Laval, Québec, Canada)

Contrats miniers et souveraineté permanente sur les ressources naturelles : quels sont les nouveaux enjeux pour la République démocratique du Congo ? Isabelle MINNON (Université de Genève, Genève, Switzerland)

Valorisation des résidus de production d’alumine à l’usine Rusal Friguià en République de Guinée, pour l’extraction des terres rares. Pierre Tamba OULARE (Institut Supérieur des Mines et Géologie, Boké, Guinea)

10:30 AM – 11:50 AM (June 4, 2025)

Session Block 6

Session 5I: 9:00 am – 10:20 am (June 4) | Highland Hall 459

Zoom Link:

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Passcode: 641171

The Socio-cultural Dynamics of Gender in Africa (I)

Chair: Oyinade Adekunle (McMaster University, Hamilton, Canada)

Child Migration and Sex Work in Colonial Eastern Nigeria, 1900-1960. Chisara Agoha (University of Calgary, Calgary, Canada)

Making, Unmaking, and Remaking Masculinity in Africa: Violence and Gender Dynamics in A Tribe Called Judah and King of Boys. Samuel Olugbenga Dare (Adeyemi Federal University of Education, Ondo, Nigeria)

Dualistic Fluidity and the “Flip Flopping” of Gendered Spirituality in Igbo Nigerian Communities. Ifeyinwa (Ify) Okadigbo (York University, Toronto, Canada)

Session 6A: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 4) | Humanities Wing 305

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Passcode: 461571

Traditional Knowledge and African Heritage: Past, Present, & Future (II)

Chair: Damola Adediji (University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Canada)

Revitalizing Velvet: The Making, Unmaking, and Remaking of African Heritage in Yoruba Communities in Nigeria. Evelyn Adepeko (Adeyemi Federal University of Education, Nigeria)

Why do local governments implement different policies on community: The Cases of Ga Mashie and Old Fadama. Mariama Kadir English (University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, USA)

Making and remaking of Africa: The role of family resilience. Zitha Mokomane (University of Pretoria, Pretoria, South Africa)

An Integrated Cultural Approach to Promoting Pan-Africanism in Contemporary Time. Divine Yaw Amu (Ho Technical University (HTU), Ho, Ghana)

Session 5J: 9:00 am – 10:20 am (June 4) | Highland Hall 515

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Energie, Climat, Exploitation des ressources et défis socio-écologiques (I)

Chair: Pierre Tamba OULARE (Institut Supérieur des Mines et Géologie, Boké, Guinea)

Les risques et opportunités pour les pays Africains dans le cadre de la lutte contre le changement climatique. Fernand Guevara

Session 6B: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 4) | Humanities Wing 308

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Décolonisation des savoirs en Afrique (II)

Chair: Willy Foumane (Université de Yaoundé 1, Yaoundé, Cameroon)

Matrimoines pour refaire l'Afrique : cas des savoirs endogènes de maternité dans la gouvernance sanitaire. Helene Diane Nono (Université de Douala, Douala, Cameroon)

Islam: facteur de déconstruction et restructuration politiques et socio-culturelles de l'Afrique occidentale médiévale. ANZOUMANAN SYLLA (Université Alassane Ouattara, Bouaké, Côte d'Ivoire)

La résurgence du panafricanisme en Afrique de l'ouest francophone : comment relancer le panafricanisme actuel. Salif Kiendrebeogo (Université Norbert Zongo, Burkina Faso)

Le Reveil Panafricain Et Le Devenir De L'Afrique Contemporaine. Yves Nasser PEUTOU FOGANG (Université de Yaoundé 1, Yaoundé, Cameroon)

Essor de l'Afrique et réquisit de l'analogon épistémique : regard anthropologique à travers l'épistémogonie ewondo. Francis Pascal Obono (Université de Yaoundé 1, Yaoundé, Cameroon)

Opportunities and Challenges. Nadine Agbor (University of Buea, Buea, Cameroon)

War Breaks or Remakes the State? Insights from Ethiopia – Eritrea 1998–2000 and Northern Ethiopia 2020–2024 Alexandra Dias (NOVA University of Lisbon, Portugal)

Capitalist Agriculture and Environmental Drivers of Conflict in Africa. Toby Moorsom (Institute of African Studies, Ottawa, Canada)

"Their Power Is in Our Fear": Security Regimes and Gendered Precarity in Africa. Selina Makana (University of Memphis, Memphis, USA)

Session 6C: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 4) | Humanities Wing 402

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La multiplicité des langues en Afrique : Obstacles ou avantages?

Organiser & Chair: Michael Akinpelu (University of Regina, Regina, Canada)

Apport de la traduction et de l'interprétation à la vitalité des langues africaines. Segun Afolabi (University of Regina, Canada)

L'influence des politiques linguistiques (post)coloniales sur les langues nationales au Cameroun. Alain Flaubert Takam (University of Lethbridge, Canada)

Intégration régionale en Afrique orientale et son impact sur l'enseignement des langues au Burundi. Jean Ntakirutimana (Université Brock, Canada)

Résistance, coexistence et collaboration : Comment réinventer les politiques linguistiques dans l'Afrique d'aujourd'hui. Michel Nguesson (Governors State University, Chicago, USA)

Session 6E: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 4) | Humanities Wing 214

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Urbanity and Infrastructure in Africa: Past & Present (II)

Chair: Akintunde Akinleye (Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada)

Road Infrastructure development in Ghana: A Value Critical Approach of the Ghana Highway Authority Act (ACT 540). Portia Nana Ama Brempong (Edith Cowan University, Western Australia, Australia)

The Political Life of Oil Exploration in the Late Imperial Ogaden. Safia Aidid (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)

Fragmented Skies: Exploring the Challenges and Opportunities of Aviation Market Integration in Africa. Israel Ogundumila (University of Kansas, Lawrence, USA)

Transit Investments in Johannesburg: Operational Analysis for Sustainable Urban Mobility. Oforiwaah Pee Agyei-Boakye (University of Minnesota Twin Cities, Minneapolis, USA)

Pipes and Partnership: Evaluating the Role of Private Plumbers in the Co-production of Water Services in Wa, Ghana. Felix Mustapha Nantogma (Technical University of Dortmund, Germany)

Session 6F: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 4) | Humanities Wing 215

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Gender and the Economy: Labour, Land, and Agriculture in Africa (II)

Chair: Gladys Mutangadura (Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, Canada)

State-Sanctioned Starvation and Women's Labors of Love: A Gendered Analysis of the Economic Blockade against the Republic of Biafra (1967-1970) Amara Ifeji (University of Oxford, United Kingdom)

Deconstructing the Woman's Body With (Dis)ability as a Site of Identity in Under the Brown Rusted Roofs. Nafiu O. Oloore (Purdue University, West Lafayette, USA)

Work-Life Balance Among Mothers In The Banking Sector In Accra, Ghana. Naomi Birago (University Of Ghana, Accra, Ghana)

Session 6D: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 4) | Humanities Wing 408

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Sustainable Peace, Security, and the Legacies of Colonialism (II)

Chair: Ganiyat Adesina-Uthman (National Open University of Nigeria, Jabi, FCT Abuja, Nigeria)

"The spear cannot get your land back" - Maasai intellectuals against land dispossession in Kenya. Kariuki Kirigia (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)

Environmental protection and policy responses to Issues of Transboundary Movement of Hazardous Waste to Africa:

Session 6G: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 4) | Bladen Wing 264

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Gouvernance et démocratie en questions (II)

Chair: Julio Cesar Dongmo (Université de Montréal, Montréal, Canada)

Femmes Et Travail Parlementaire À L'assemblée Nationale Du Cameroun. Bertrand-Michel MAHINI (Centre national d'éducation du Ministère de la recherche scientifique et de l'innovation, Yaoundé, Cameroon)

Internet et engagement politique des diasporas africaines : pour une reconstruction du débat démocratique au Cameroun ? Georgette Arielle Djoufan Fotsing (Institut des Relations Internationales du Cameroun (IRIC), Yaoundé, Cameroon)

Et si l'Afrique changeait le paradigme des conflits violents et de la mal gouvernance de ses Etats ? ABDOUL-MAJID ALI MAHAMAD (RADDE, société civile, DJIBOUTI, Djibouti)

Session 6H: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 4) | Highland Hall 421

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Decolonising Gender and Sexualities in Africa (II)

Chair: Nancy Osei (Western University, Canada)

Gendered Performance Space in Selected Kengbe Chants of the Ilorin Folks. Mohammed El-Nasir AL-AMIN (Kwara State University & the University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria)

Colonising the Family: The case of Midwifery Professionalisation in colonial Sudan. Saba Hilali (Doha Institute for Graduate Studies, Doha, Qatar)

Ubuntu as a Framework for Mitigating Teen Pregnancies in Africa: An Ecological Systems Analysis. Crispin Batsirai Marasha (Stellenbosch University, South Africa)

Decolonizing Women's Entrepreneurship in Edo State: Indigenous Knowledge Systems and Practices. Mary Uhunoma Isibor (University of Benin, Nigeria)

Session 6I: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 4) | Highland Hall 459

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The Socio-cultural Dynamics of Gender in Africa (II)

Chair: Chisara Agoha (University of Calgary, Calgary, Canada)

Syncretic Healing: Yoruba Indigenous Practices for Addressing Sexual Violence in Nigerian Pentecostal Congregations. Omowumi Omole (University of California, Merced, USA)

Creating a Positive Support System for Victims of Child Sexual Abuse in Yejide Kilanko's Daughters Who Walk This Path. Olayinka Balogun (Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba Akoko, Nigeria)

The Dark Veil of Execution: Female Condemned Criminals in Post-Colonial Nigeria. Oyinade Adekunle (McMaster University, Hamilton, Canada)

Power Tussle in the Household: The Making of the Covid-19 Pandemic Lockdown on Domestic Violence against Women in Lagos. Friday Aworawo (University of Lagos, Nigeria), Moses Yakubu (University of Lagos, Nigeria)

Session 6J: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 4) | Highland Hall 515

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Energie, Climat, Exploitation des ressources et défis socio-écologiques (II)

Chair: Roussel Lalande Teguia Kenmegne (Université Laval, Québec, Canada)

Impacts de l'orpaillage et le processus d'autonomisation des femmes dans la préfecture de Sigiri, Guinée. SORY KOUROUMA

Enjeux des activités minières en République de Guinée : défis et opportunités pour une transformation industrielle locale durable. Marie Constance Beavogui (Institut Supérieur des Mines et Géologie, Boké, République de Guinée), Pierre Tamba OULARE (Institut Supérieur des Mines et Géologie, Boké, Guinea)

Enjeux, défis et perspectives de préservation des écosystèmes forestiers des Monts Nimba et Simandou en Afrique de l'Ouest. Lou Sromman Anicette Sery, Hadja Mariama Dalanda Barry, Idiatou Bah (Université Laval, Canada)

Ressources naturelles et croissance économique en Afrique : La transformation structurelle importe-t-elle? Alexis NANKAP SEUJIB (Institut universitaire des sciences, des technologies et de l'éthique/Université de Douala, Yaoundé, Cameroon), Denise Gisèle Meginigang, IUT Fotso Victor de Bandjoun/Université de Dschang, Bandjoun, Cameroon)

Renforcer la résilience des petits exploitants agricoles face au changement climatique au Rwanda. HAVUGIYAREMYE Ignace (CLECAM EJO HEZA PLC, MUHANGA, Rwanda)

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Session 7A: 1:30 pm – 2:50 pm (June 4) | Humanities Wing 305

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Traditional Knowledge and African Heritage: Past, Present, & Future (III)

Chair: Dennis Tibil Bersong (Concordia University, Montreal, Canada).

Indigenous Knowledge and Intellectual Property in Africa: Reflections on a Critical Law and History Approach. Damola Adediji (University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Canada), Damilola Adebayo (York University, Toronto, Canada)

Formalizing the Informal Apprenticeship System in Nigeria: A Case Study of ICT Skills Training in Lagos. Ibraheem Abdul (Yaba College of Technology, Lagos, Nigeria)

The Many Faces of Empowerment: Focus on the Igbo Apprenticeship System. Chikezirim Nwoke (Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada)

Iwofa among the Yoruba: A System of Banking, Apprenticeship, and Service: A Primordial Order and Victim of Westernization. Olajide Abe (Ibrahim Badamasi Babangida University, Lapai, Nigeria)

The 'Black' Urban Family House in South Africa: Constitutional Recognition of Indigenous Law and Apartheid Orthodoxy. Enyinna Nwauche (University of Fort Hare, East London, South Africa)

Session 7B: 1:30 pm – 2:50 pm (June 4) | Humanities Wing 308

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Philip Zachernuk's Expanse and the Boundaries of African Intellectual History (I)

Chair: Jonathan Roberts (Mount Saint Vincent University, Halifax, Canada)

Presenters:

Raphael Njoku (Idaho State University, Idaho, USA)

Bonny Ibhawoh (McMaster University, Hamilton, Canada)

Katie Carline (Dalhousie University, Halifax, Canada)

Steven Fabian (Horace Mann, New York, USA)

Nat Rubner (Queen Mary, University of London, London, United Kingdom)

Session 7C: 1:30 pm – 2:50 pm (June 4) | Humanities Wing 216

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Q&A with award-winning Kenyan Director **Zippy Kimundu** (Afrofilms, Kenya) and Creative Historical Consultant, Professor **Julie MacArthur** (University of Toronto, Canada)

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Passcode: 013334

Intersectionalities in African Studies (I)

Chair: Kosisochukwu Ifeji (Tulane University, New Orleans, USA)

Sexual Disability and the Crisis of Masculinity in Nana-Ama Danquah's "When a Man Loves a Woman" Gideon Umezurike (University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, Canada)

Navigating Beauty And Belonging In Black Spaces: Biracial Women In Nigerian Novels. Oluwanifemi Bamidele-Nelly (Federal University of Technology, Akure, Nigeria)

Homocapitalism in the "Gay Capital of Africa": Interrogating South African Sexual Exceptionalism. Shelley Pryde (University of Washington, Seattle, USA)

Session 7E: 1:30 pm – 2:50 pm (June 4) | Humanities Wing 214

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African Worldview: Philosophical and Psychological Perspectives

Chair: Meseret Ayele (Queens University, Kingston, Canada)

"Breaking Chains, Building Unity": Defending African Socialism Against the Pitfalls of Black Capitalism Lambert Ukanga (Independent Scholar)

Metaphysics and the Idea of Development in Africa. John Thomas (University of Jos, Nigeria, Jos, Nigeria)

The importance of philosopher Sophie Oluwolé in contemporary African philosophy. María Laura Stephen Chaves (Independent scholar, Heredia, Costa Rica)

Beyond Academics: African Pedagogy in African Societies. Faithful Oluokun (University of Lagos, Lagos, Nigeria)

Session 7F: 1:30 pm – 2:50 pm (June 4) | Humanities Wing 215

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African Research and Higher Educational Landscapes (I)

Chair: Hafsat Ibironke Onasanya (Lagos State University, Nigeria)

Neocolonialism and Dependency in International research collaboration: Evidence from Ghanaian higher education. Jacob Nkansah (Education University, Hong Kong)

Advancing Africa's Future: A Research-Driven Approach to Networking, Mentorship, and Professional Development through Linked Africa. Benson Kamary (Linked Africa, Boiling Springs, USA)

Islam and Collecting: The Role of 'Silenced, Hidden, Forgotten, & Often Neglected' Material Culture in Shaping Islamic Education in Africa. Yahaya Halidu (University of Texas at Austin, USA)

Session 7G: 1:30 pm – 2:50 pm (June 4) | Bladen Wing 264

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Contemporary Politics of Mediatization

Chair: Arinpe Adejumo (University of Ibadan, Nigeria)

Spectral Audio: Hauntology in Nigerian Audio Memes. Samuel Adesubokan (University of Victoria, Victoria, Canada)

Memes and Counter-Movements: Analyzing Opposition and Narrative Contests in the Obidient Movement in Nigeria. Silas Udenze (Universitat Oberta de Catalunya, Barcelona, Spain)

Analyzing the creative autonomy of afrobeats artists in the era of music streaming. Elileojo Laura Etemah (Lee Ellie Music School)

Media exposure and Institutional Trust in developing countries: The case of sub-Saharan Africa. Mamadou Abdoulaye Diallo (Cheikh Anta Diop University, Dakar, Senegal)

Session 7H: 1:30 pm – 2:50 pm (June 4) | Highland Hall 421

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Passcode: 399637

Decolonising Teaching and Learning (I)

Chair: Willis Opondo (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)

Recentering Indigenous Archives in the South African School History Education: Ushering an Indigenous Episteme for Tackling African Problems. Bongani Shabangu (North-West University, Potchefstroom, South Africa)

Decolonizing higher education through indigenisation: Subtitle: Reclaiming Knowledge, Identity, and Pedagogy. Nompumelelo Ngcobo (University of KwaZulu Natal, Durban, South Africa)

Remaking Zimbabwean Education: An Afrocentric Evaluation of Heritage-Based Education for Decolonial Development. Crispin Batsirai Marasha (Stellenbosch University, South Africa)

Utopia of youths expressed through multimodalities: Exploration of three Basic Schools' spatial learning environments in a rural Ghanaian district. Joseph Bless Darkwa (University of Calgary, Alberta, Canada)

Session 7I: 1:30 pm – 2:50 pm (June 4) | Highland Hall 459

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Passcode: 641171

Colonialism, Religion, and African Identity

Chair: Michael Oluwatobiloba Ajayi (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)

“Defusing the Cultural Bomb”: Language, Religion, and Cultural Hybridity in Purple Hibiscus Adwoa Tiwaah Ofori Atakorah (West Virginia University, USA).

Spirituality and imagination as critical elements in African thought: Insights from the lives of Princess Mkabayi and Queen Nandi Nomphumelelo Thabethe (University of KwaZulu-Natal, Durban, South Africa)

The Fourth Lambeth Conference, the ‘Praeparatio Evangelica,’ and the Making of British Nigeria Adrian M. Deese (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, USA)

Hajj Politics in Senegal and Burkina Faso. Mu Gomez-Perez (Université Laval, Québec, Canada), Cédric Jourde (Université d’Ottawa, Ottawa, Canada), Marie Brossier (Université Laval, Québec, Canada)

Formations of Ambition: Soccer, Desire, and Transformation in a Vancouver-based Nigerian Pentecostal Church. Nicholas Howe Bukowski (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)

Session 7K: 1:30 pm – 2:50 pm (June 4) | Humanities Wing 402

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Passcode: 464059

Education, Decolonisation, Literature, and Language

Chair: Adeyemi Awomodu (University of Essex, Colchester, United Kingdom)

Exploring African Written Languages: Insights into Remaking African Education. Addisie Yalew Mengistu (University of Hamburg, Germany)

Remaking African Education: Language of Instruction and Educational Justice in Nigerian Primary Schools. Adeyemi Awomodu (University of Essex, Colchester, United Kingdom)

‘Now You See Us’: Technical Education For Women in Early Post-Colonial Ghana. Ransford Tei (York University, Toronto, Canada)

Understanding The Phenomenon of Dhaqan Celis: A Case Study of The Somali Diaspora in Multicultural Canada. Mohammed Ali (Queen’s University, Kingston, Canada)

Re-evaluating African Curricula: Integrating Informal Educational Systems to Uphold the Right to Inclusive Education. Olanike S. Adelakun (Lead City University, Ibadan, Nigeria)

3:00 PM – 4:20 PM (June 4, 2025)

Session Block 8

Session 7J: 1:30 pm – 2:50 pm (June 4) | Highland Hall 515

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Politicians, Elites, and Sociopolitical Transformation in Africa

Chair: Amidu Mutaru (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)

The Travails of the “New Man”: Ngonyo wa Mwavuo and the Colonial Administration in the Giriama Land 1830-1920. Feisal Farah (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)

December in Ghana: Parties, Homecoming and Consumerism. Niya Namfua (Queen’s University, Kingston, Canada)

The Chona Commission: Locating Vice President Mainza Chona in Zambia’s Transition to a Single-Party State, 1972-73. Diane Whitelaw (Queen’s University, Kingston, Canada)

Political Patronage and Poverty Reduction: Evidence from Nigeria. Osaze Omoragbon (Edo State House of Assembly Service Commission, Benin City, Nigeria)

Women and Patronage Networks in Africa. Fatou Janneh (University of Wisconsin Madison, Madison, USA)

Session 8A: 3:00 pm – 4:20 pm (June 4) | Humanities Wing 305

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African Development: Literary Perspectives

Chair: Arinpe Adejumo (University of Ibadan, Nigeria)

A recourse to indigenous belief systems through literature as a panacea to social disorders in Africa. Samuel Olugbamigbe (Adeyemi Federal University of Education, Ondo, Nigeria)

Remaking Africa’s Educational Landscape through 18th Century French Literature: Literary Analysis of the Principles of Liberty, Equality, and Fraternity. Akintunde Giwa (Tai Solarin University Of Education, Ijebu-Ode, Ogun State, Nigeria)

Africa and the Challenges of Underdevelopment: Cultural and Literary Perspectives. Arinpe Adejumo (University of Ibadan, Nigeria)

Translocality, Return Migration and Colonial Debt: Responsibilities Toward Postcolonial Conditions in Selected Contemporary African Novels. Onyeka Odoh (University of Calgary, Calgary, Canada)

Memory as DNA: Borders, Trauma, and the Migratory Aesthetics of Contemporary African Writers. Iheoma Joakin-Uzomba (University of Calgary, Calgary, AB, Canada)

Session 8B: 3:00 pm – 4:20 pm (June 4) | Humanities Wing 308

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Crisis and Tensions in African Development Discourses

Chair: Chikezirim Nwoke (Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada)

Tegaru Youth Experiences in War: The Building of Solidarity and Resistance. Fisseha Gebremedhin (Queen's University, Kingston, Canada), Thashika Pillay (Queen's University, Kingston, Canada), Ikeoluwapo Baruwa (Queen's University, Kingston, Canada)

Displacement and Migration Patterns in the Aftermath of the Nigeria Floods: A Study of Internally Displaced Persons. Doyinsola Adeleke, Mayomi Ogunrayi

Kasuan Magani Crisis and Inter-Group Relations in Nigeria: A Political Economic Discourse. Nyerohwo Eduvvie (Delta State University, Abraka, Nigeria), Okolieaboh Araka (WSB University, Warsaw, Poland)

Assessing the impact of Negative Democracy and public leadership in Making, Unmaking, and Remaking Africa. Temitope Aderinboye (Ajasin Foundation, Lagos state, Nigeria), Seth Okpabi (Cyprus International University, Nicosia, Cyprus)

Governance and the Anglophone Crisis in Cameroon. Blaise Kfeban (Independent Scholar)

Session 8C: 3:00 pm – 4:20 pm (June 4) | Humanities Wing 216

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Session 8D: 3:00 pm – 4:20 pm (June 4) | Humanities Wing 408

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Passcode: 013334

Intersectionalities in African Studies (II)

Chair: Gideon Umezurike (University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, Canada)

Afro-Queerness and Migration in Helon Habila's Travellers. Chigozirim Nwaosu (University of Surrey, Guildford, United Kingdom)

Tracing Exile and Home in the Narratives of Barni and Domenica in Little Mother. Farah Hasan Ali (Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS), Pakistan)

LGBTQ Community Inclusion and Economic Development in Sub-Saharan Africa. Ndirangu Ngunjiri (University of Nairobi, Nairobi, Kenya), Anthony Kamau, (University of Nairobi, Nairobi, Kenya)

Remaking the Sapphic Landscape: The Impact of Queer Migration on South African Lesbian Communities. Kosiso Chukwu Ifeji (Tulane University, New Orleans, USA)

Session 8E: 3:00 pm – 4:20 pm (June 4) | Humanities Wing 214

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Passcode: 283316

Indigeneity and Decolonisation

Chair: Morgan Ndlovu (University of Johannesburg, Johannesburg, South Africa)

Integrating "I"-Indigenous into "M&E"-monitoring and evaluation in Africa: Cultural insights from Ghana. Evans Sakyi Boadu (University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa)

On Decolonial Indigeneity and Reconstitution of the Decolonial Political in Africa. Morgan Ndlovu (University of Johannesburg, Johannesburg, South Africa)

How Does Academia Resist and Shape Decolonization? Saïkou Oumar Sagnane (University of Bayreuth, Bayreuth, Germany)

Indigenous Leadership and the Bakossi People: A Contextual Reading of Mark 10:35-45. Ngome Paul Mbwoje (Independent Scholar, Kumba, Cameroon)

Session 8F: 3:00 pm – 4:20 pm (June 4) | Humanities Wing 215

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Passcode: 046061

African Research and Higher Educational Landscapes (II)

Chair: Yahaya Halidu (University of Texas at Austin, USA)

Towards Unmaking and Remaking Education: An Appraisal of the Curriculum. Moses Galadima (Plateau State University, Bokkos, Nigeria)

Remaking the Present and Future of Education System of African Countries Through Educational Planning, Policy Framework and Gender Inclusion. Hafsat Ibironke Onasanya (Lagos State University, Nigeria)

Artificial Intelligence Pedagogy and it's Impact on Lecturer Effectiveness in Tertiary Education. Evidence From Nigeria. Elizabeth Ojo (Yaba College of Technology, Nigeria), Moruf Adebakin (Yaba College of Technology, Nigeria)

Session 8G: 3:00 pm – 4:20 pm (June 4) | Bladen Wing 264

Zoom Link:

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Passcode: 502765

Health, Disability, and Inclusion

Chair: Mary Asirifi (MacEwan University, Edmonton, Canada)

“To live or not to live”: The silent voices of stigmatized adolescents with disabilities in Ghana. Mary Asirifi (MacEwan University, Edmonton, Canada), Elizabeth Burgess-Pinto (MacEwan University, Edmonton, Canada), Hellen Gateri (MacEwan University, Edmonton, Canada)

A Different Way of Knowing and Being: Afrocentric Epistemologies and Perspectives of Autism and Neurodevelopmental Disabilities. Safia Abdulle (York University, Toronto, Canada)

Unmaking and Remaking Africa in the Care and Management of Mental Health Conditions - The Legal and Ethical Perspectives. Innocent Ofili (University of Abuja, Abuja, Nigeria)

The Effect of Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) on the Mental Health of Children in IPV Households: Evidence from Ghana. Ami Adjoh-Baliki (Howard University, Washington D.C., USA)

Combating Drug and Substance Abuse Among African Youth: Leveraging Indigenous Knowledge for the Remaking of Africa’s Developmental Trajectory. Beullah Matinhira (University of Zimbabwe, Harare, Zimbabwe)

Session 8H: 3:00 pm – 4:20 pm (June 4) | Highland Hall 421

Zoom Link:

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Passcode: 399637

Decolonising Teaching and Learning (II)

Chair: Joseph Bless Darkwa (University of Calgary, Calgary, Alberta, Canada)

Decolonizing Boys’ Education in Kenya: Implications for Educational Policies and Social Interventions. Willis Oondo (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)

The Deeper Meaning of Poor Education; Loos connection to self. Meseret Ayele (Queens University, Kingston, Canada)

‘He Who Pays the Piper Calls the Tune: Politics and Politicking of Academic Freedom’. Olusegun Olaniyan (Ladoke Akintola University of Technology Ogbomoso, Nigeria)

Africa’s Educational Odyssey: Precolonial Foundations, Colonial Disruptions, and Postcolonial Reforms. Ransom Tanyu Ngenge (Africa Online & Publications Library, Kigali)

Session 8I: 3:00 pm – 4:20 pm (June 4) | Highland Hall 459

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Passcode: 641171

Nutrition, Food Security, & Socioeconomic Development in Africa

Chair: Toby Moorsom (Institute of African Studies, Ottawa, Canada)

Informal Cross-Border Traders and Food Trade during the Global Pandemic in Zimbabwe. Abel Chikanda (McMaster University, Hamilton, Canada)

Hiding in the Shadows: The Growth of the Coconut Sector in the Gold Coast, ca. 1874-1957. Abdul Kuba (University of Mississippi, Oxford, USA)

Ensuring Food Security Through Legal Mechanisms: A Case for Agricultural and Land Use Reforms in Africa. Issa Adedokun (University of Lagos, Nigeria), Temidayo Peter Akeredolu (Afe Babalola University, Ado Ekiti, Nigeria)

Farm Inputs for Adoption of Drought Adaptation Strategies in Addressing Sensitivity of Coffee Yields to Rainfall Variability in Uganda. Catherine Mulinde (Makerere University, Uganda)

Session 8J: 3:00 pm – 4:20 pm (June 4) | Highland Hall 515

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Passcode: 477940

Diseases and Health Outcomes in African History

Chair: Mathew Ayodele (Stanford University, Stanford, California, USA)

“Vaccinated Against Their Will?”: Smallpox Epidemic and the Politics of Control in Southeastern Nigeria, c. 1920s–1950s. Patrick Okpalaeke (York University, Canada), Damilola Adebayo (York University, Canada)

The expansion of the global capitalist system, epidemics and colonial conquest in South African history. Huijie Zhang (Stellenbosch University, Cape Town, South Africa)

Can we finally stop talking about the ARV drug “whoonga”? How urban drug legends are made and persist. Mark Hunter (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)

Economic Evidence of colonial legacy and regional affiliation effects on health policy bargaining power: a cross-sectional study. Iskandar Patrick Abadoma Mounpou (Université de ngoundéré, Ngoundere, Cameroon)

4:30 PM – 7:00 PM (June 4, 2025)
Evening Session Day 2

Canadian Journal of African Studies //
Revue canadienne des études africaines

Annual Christopher Youé Lecture

Speaker:

Professor Philip Zachernuk (Dalhousie University)

Title // Titre

**On the Study of Modern African Intellectual History:
Some Reflections and a Heuristic Gambit**

4:30 PM – 5:30 PM

Venue: Highland Hall Event Centre

Webinar Zoom Link:

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In English only

Annual General Meeting // Assemblée Générale Annuelle

5:40 PM – 7:00 PM

Venue: Highland Hall Event Centre

Zoom Link:

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Snacks will be served

Day 3: Thursday, June 5, 2025

Conference Registration: 8 AM – 2 PM | Highland Hall Event Centre

9:00 AM – 10:20 AM (June 5, 2025)
Session Block 9

Session 9A: 9:00 am – 10:20 am (June 5) | Humanities Wing 305

Zoom Link:

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Paix et Sécurité en Afrique (I)

Chair: Salvator Havyarimana (Université d’Ottawa, Ottawa, Canada)

L’extraction minière artisanale au Burkina Faso : les orpailleurs face au défi de l’insécurité. Jacqueline SOW (UNB, Bobo-Dioulasso, Burkina Faso)

L’Afrique face aux enjeux mondiaux et la revendication de sa place dans l’agenda international. Bienfait Kambale Kambili (Université De Kinshasa, Kinshasa, République Démocratique du Congo)

De l’individu mobile aux migrantes: l’ancrage des étudiantes camerounaises en France. Jean Marie ETOGO ASSENE NKOU (Université de Poitiers, Poitiers, France)

L’institutionnalisation De La Médiation Locale Comme Outil De Gestion Du Risque Sécuritaire Au Cameroun. Didier Julien Awono Ambassa (Université de Yaoundé 2, Yaoundé, Cameroun)

Crise sécuritaire et dynamique d’insertion des personnes déplacées internes dans l’espace urbain au Burkina Faso. Yacouba Cissao (Institut des Sciences des Sociétés, Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso)

Session 9B: 9:00 am – 10:20 am (June 5) | Humanities Wing 308

Zoom Link:

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Passcode: 012418

Rural Healthcare in Colonial and Post-Independence Africa (I)

Organiser & Chair: Adedamola Adetiba (University of Manchester, Manchester, United Kingdom)

Navigating Rurality and Coloniality: A Comparative History of Traditional Birth Attendants in Yorubaland and Brazil in Maternal Healthcare Systems. Ridwan Muhammed (Kansas University, U.S.A, Kansas, USA)

The Impact of Community Pharmacies and Patent Medicine Vendors on the Drug Cost Revolver Initiative in Rural Nigeria: From the Bamako Era to the Present. Titilayo Adeosun (University of Manchester, Manchester, United Kingdom)

Session 9C: 9:00 am – 10:20 am (June 5) | Humanities Wing 402

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Passcode: 308760

Climate Change, Indigenous Governance, and Green Futures (I)

Chair: Lydia Addae-Boahene (Queen's University, Kingston, ON, Canada)

Adaptive Sustainable Management Strategies in African Environments: A Mixed Methods Study. Ajibola Shekoni (Lagos State University, Ojo, Nigeria)

The Impact of Climate Change on Sustainable Agricultural Development and Food Security in Benue State, Nigeria, West Africa. Timothy Igbakula Utile (Benue State University, Makurdi, Nigeria)

Unlocking Africa's Potential: The role of Sustainable Development Goals and Climate Change Mitigation Policies. Malebogo Bakwena (University of Botswana, Gaborone, Botswana)

Climate Change and Decoloniality: Effect of 'Cruel Optimism' in Nigeria. Philip Akoje (Brock University, St Catharines, Canada)

From Liberalization to Revitalization: Implications of the Agricultural Policy Reforms on Smallholder Coffee Farmers in Cameroon from 1990-2020. Jude Chuye Giyoh (University of Antwerp, Antwerp, Belgium)

Session 9D: 9:00 am – 10:20 am (June 5) | Humanities Wing 408

Zoom Link:

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Passcode: 013334

Japa: Nigerian Migration Narratives (I)

Chair: Ugochukwu Okoye (Carleton, Ottawa, Canada)

Japa: A subtle expulsion conspiracy, for the material self-preservation of the Nigerian elite on a nation's commonwealth. Emmanuel Idakwo (Federal University of Lafia, Lafia, Nigeria)

From 'Japa' to Integration: The Remaking of Nigerian Migrant Identities Amid Cultural Dissonance in the UK. Claire Princess Ayeletan (Christ the Redeemer College, Harrow, United Kingdom)

African Youths, Japa Syndrome and its Consequences: The Nigerian Experience. Olawale Bakare Salami (Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye, Nigeria)

Reimagining African Identity: Diasporic Religious Networks and the Dynamics of Cultural Continuity. Zainab Winjobi-Arikewuyo (Florida State University, Florida, USA)

Nigerian migrant musical practices and the (re-)making of Africa. Toyin Ajose (University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria)

Session 9E: 9:00 am – 10:20 am (June 5) | Humanities Wing 214

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Passcode: 283316

New Perspectives on Peace and Conflicts in Africa and the Diaspora (I): Interrogating Migration, Black Feminism, and Pan-Africanism

Chair/Discussant: Akanmu Adebayo (Kennesaw State University, Georgia, USA)

Migration Motivation, Identity, and Inclusion in the U.S. South: A Comparative Decolonial Feminist Study of First-Generation Sub-Saharan African Immigrants. Iye Ogbe (Kennesaw State University)

Accelerating Community in Liberia – Questions of Decolonial Praxis in International Development Assistance. Timo Zwarg (Kennesaw State University)

Relational Development Theory and its Decolonial Epistemology: Walter Rodney and the Pan-African Roots of Dependency and World Systems Theories. Jesse Benjamin (Kennesaw State University)

Flowers of Empire in Mali: Poisoned by Colonialism, Trapped in Neocolonialism. Kadidja Diaby (Kennesaw State University)

Session 9F: 9:00 am – 10:20 am (June 5) | Humanities Wing 215

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Passcode: 046061

Media, Performance & Afro-Sound

Chair: Glory Okereke (Florida International University, Miami, USA)

Environmental Reflections in Nigerian Popular Music: The Metaphor of "Whiskey". Kolawole Rasheed (University of California, Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz, USA)

Performing "Black Waters": Site and Counterpublics of a Proustian Trans-Atlantic Oddysey. Soji Cole (St. Mary's University, Halifax/NS, Canada)

Fuji Goes Global! Notes on Afropolitan Sonic Spaces and Being Africans in the World. Oladele Ayorinde (Stellenbosch University, Cape Town, South Africa)

"Lyricising" Pan-Africanism: A Critical Analysis of Ghana's Hip-Life Artist Obrafour's song 'Kwame Nkrumah'. Daniel Obeng Acquah (University of Media Arts and Communication, Accra, Ghana)

Melodies of Identity: How Somali Songs Unite and Divide a Nation. Nasra Mohamed (Red Sea Cultural Foundation, Hargeisa, Somalia)

Session 9G: 9:00 am – 10:20 am (June 5) | Bladen Wing 264

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Passcode: 502765

Santé et défis Sanitaires en Afrique

Chair: Michael Akinpelu (University of Regina, Regina, Canada)

La crise de la Covid-19 dans le monde : défis et résilience pour la communauté universitaire en Afrique subsaharienne (ASS). Hafissou SEIDOU (Laboratoire de Recherche sur les Performances et Développement des Organisations (LARPEDO), Cotonou, Benin)

L'Afrique Covid Et Post-Covid : Défaire Et Refaire Un Système De Santé A L'aune Des Logiques Décoloniales. Armand Horace Tieubea Mbame (Université de Yaoundé 2, Cameroon)

La survie de l'Afrique face aux prévisions catastrophistes liées à la Covid-19 : un coup de trop porté aux appareils d'État ? Léopold NGUEUTA NOUFFEUSIE (Université de Maroua, Maroua, Cameroon)

Faire de l'eau le socle d'une Afrique prospère et de paix durable. Hamidou TRAORE (Université Thomas Sankara, Burkina Faso)

L'assurance maladie obligatoire (AMO) au Mali, un instrument de développement social et sanitaire ? Amoussoule DIALLO (Les Afriques dans le monde (LAM), Bordeaux, France)

Session 9H: 9:00 am – 10:20 am (June 5) | Highland Hall 421

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Passcode: 399637

Faire, Défaire, refaire : Défis socioéconomiques et modèle de développement en question (I)

Chair: Fernande NGUEMO YAMENI (Université de Lille, Montigny-le-Bretonneux, France)

« Le chemin de fer du projet Simandou : un levier stratégique du développement durable pour la guinée » Thiero Amirou Diallo (UGLCS-Conakry, Conakry, Guinée // Université de Laval, Quebec, Canada)

Resilience Et Transition Numérique Des Entreprises Informelles En Afrique : Une Etude Comparative Entre Le Ghana Et La Tanzanie. Dominique Sébastien Salla (Université de Ngaoundéré, Ngaoundéré, Cameroon)

Faire et refaire l'Afrique : Le cas de la Banque Continentale Africaine pendant la transition vers l'indépendance. Dolly Katiutia Alima Afoumba (Philipps-universität Marburg, Germany)

Session 9I: 9:00 am – 10:20 am (June 5) | Highland Hall 459

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Passcode: 641171

The Political Economy of ‘Just’ Extractivism and ‘Just’ Transition in Africa (I)

Discussant: J. Andrew Grant

The Political Economy of Energy Transition in Africa: Power, Economic Interest and Governance Conundrums. Phil Faanu (McMaster University), Emmanuel Graham (York University)

Critical Minerals in the Great Lakes: the Geopolitics of Conflict Minerals ‘Due Diligence’. Chris Huggins (University of Ottawa)

Examining Economic Diplomacy in Green and Just Energy Transitions: Insights from Mozambique’s Graphite Sector. Alicja Paulina Krubnik (McMaster University)

Aligning Climate Finance with Impact: An Assessment of Public Bank Funding for High-Impact Mitigation in Africa’s Most Vulnerable Countries. Phil Faanu (McMaster University)

Session 9J: 9:00 am – 10:20 am (June 5) | Highland Hall 515

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Passcode: 477940

Sustainable Development Goals and African Development

Chair: Safia Aidid (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)

Unraveling the Maze of Sustainability Reporting and SDGs: Current Trends and Future Directions in Africa. Prince Gyimah (Akenten Appiah-Menka University of Skills Training and Entrepreneurial Development, Kumasi, Ghana)

Unpacking the Organisation of Competency Transfer Centres (CTCs) in Resource-Constrained Contexts: A Discursive Practice Approach. Elias Osei (Aston University, Birmingham, United Kingdom), Francis Adofo (Aston University, Birmingham, United Kingdom)

Creating A Conducive Environment For Sustainable Regional Integration In Africa: Perspectives From Intergovernmental Authority For Development (IGAD). Freeman Mateko (University of Johannesburg, Gauteng, South Africa)

Climate Change Adaptation and Conflicts in Africa: An Assessment. Stanley Ehiiane (University of Botswana, Gaborone, Botswana), Hlabathi Maapola-Thobejane (University of South Africa, Pretoria, South Africa)

10:30 AM – 11:50 AM (June 5, 2025)
Session Block 10

Session 10A: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 5) | Humanities Wing 305

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Passcode: 461571

Paix et Sécurité en Afrique (II)

Chair: Jean Marie ETOGO ASSENE NKOU (Université de Poitiers, Poitiers, France)

Réarticuler la danse du Kyba dans les sites des PDI, une perspective de résilience face au choc du terrorisme. Bernadette GANSONRE (Université Joseph Ki-Zerbo, Burkina Faso)

Incidences juridiques du défaut de coopération entre la Cour pénale internationale et les États africains. Salvator Havyarimana (Université d'Ottawa, Ottawa, Canada)

Raisonnement juridique et éthique de la responsabilité : normes d'application du droit et réparation des préjudices agropastoraux à Touboro. Arnold Martial ATEBA (Université de Yaoundé, Yaoundé, Cameroun)

Faire et refaire le multilatéralisme africain à partir de l'internationalisation des crises sécuritaires. Mbangue Nkomba Yves Patrick (Université de Yaoundé 2, Soa, Cameroun)

Session 10B: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 5) | Humanities Wing 308

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Passcode: 012418

Rural Healthcare in Colonial and Post-Independence Africa (II)

Organiser & Chair: Adedamola Adetiba (University of Manchester, Manchester, United Kingdom)

Intersecting Epistemologies: Maternal Care, Rural Health Systems, and Biopolitical Dynamics in Colonial Ibadan. Tolulope Esther Fadeyi (University of Manchester, Manchester, United Kingdom)

Expanding Rural Health Frontiers: The Role of Medical Field Units in Ghana's Healthcare Development, 1951–1970. Lucky Tomdi (University of Saskatchewan, Canada, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada)

The Political Economy of Rural Healthcare in Twentieth-Century Nigeria. Adedamola Adetiba (University of Manchester, Manchester, United Kingdom)

Session 10C: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 5) | Humanities Wing 402

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Passcode: 308760

Climate Change, Indigenous Governance, and Green Futures (II)

Chair: Philip Akaje (Brock University, St Catharines, Canada)

Securing ECOWAS's Energy Future with Trade Facilitation and Regional Trade Agreement. ADEYINKA OLURE-BANK (National Open University of Nigeria, Nigeria)

Reimagining Africa's Industrialization Pathways: Decarbonizing Logistics Operations for a Sustainable Nigerian Future. IBRAHEEM FORSON ABDUL-AZEEZ (Lagos State University, Lagos, Nigeria), Olawale Gazal Hammed (Lagos State University, Lagos, Nigeria)

Residents' perspectives on Lephalale's "under-pollution": Industrial expansion, climate crisis, and health in South Africa's "fastest growing city". Allison Goebel (Queen's University, Kingston, ON, Canada), Marc Epprecht (Queen's University, Kingston, ON, Canada), Lydia Addae-Boahene (Queen's University, Kingston, ON, Canada)

The Political Economy of Climate Finance in Developing Countries. Mark Purdon (Université du Québec à Montréal, Montréal, Canada)

Session 10D: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 5) | Humanities Wing 408

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Passcode: 013334

Japa: Nigerian Migration Narratives (II)

Chair: Zainab Winjobi-Arikewuyo (Florida State University, Florida, USA)

Migration and Politics of Negotiated Statehood in Nigeria: Emerging Actors, Networks, and Identities. Ugochukwu Okoye (Carleton, Ottawa, Canada)

African Critical Counternarrative Inquiry: Unmaking and Remaking Africa Through African Migration Narratives. Paul Akpomuje (Queen's University, Kingston, Canada)

Impact of International Migration on Human Resource Development in Kaduna State, Northern Nigeria. Mercy Eghonghon Odudigbo (Nigerian Defence Academy, Kaduna State, Nigeria)

Navigating Temporality. Bifurcated Existence, and Migrants' Subjectivities in Nollywood. Oluwadamilola Ogunmuko (University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, USA)

Session 10E: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 5) | Humanities Wing 214

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Passcode: 283316

**New Perspectives on Peace and Conflicts in Africa and the Diaspora (II):
Role of Governance in Contemporary West Africa**

Chair/Discussant: Jesse Benjamin (Kennesaw State University, Georgia, USA)

From Tension to Tolerance: A Peacebuilding Approach for Yoruba Religious Conflicts in Nigeria. Adeolu Ojedokun (Kennesaw State University)

Human Security and Women's Inclusion: Addressing Barriers to Women's Participation in Conflict Management Processes in Nigeria. Comfort Adzenda (Kennesaw State University)

Governance in Nigeria and the Minority Constitution: An Exercise in Speculative History. Akanmu G. Adebayo (Kennesaw State University)

Transnational Governance and Military Conflict in West Africa: The Role of ECOWAS, 2020-2024. Kingsley Doe (Kennesaw State University)

Unravelling the Threads of Oppression: Neocolonialism and Structural Violence in Mining Communities in Ghana. Bright Bansah (Kennesaw State University)

Session 10F: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 5) | Humanities Wing 215

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Passcode: 046061

Philip Zachernuk's Expanse and the Boundaries of African Intellectual History (II)

Organiser & Chair: Bonny Ibhawoh (McMaster University, Hamilton, Canada)

Presenters:

Chioma Abuba (Dalhousie University, Halifax, Canada)

Mary Owusu (Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada)

Stephen Volz (Kenyon College, Gambier, USA)

Esperanza Brizuela-Garcia (Montclair State University, Montclair, USA)

Oluwatoyin B. Oduntan (Towson University, Towson, Maryland, USA)

David Kort (Aon Canada, Toronto, Canada)

Session 10G: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 5) | Bladen Wing 264

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Passcode: 502765

Roundtable: New Approaches to Understanding Decolonization in Africa

Organiser: Husseina Dinani (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)

Chair: Safia Aidid (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)

Husseina Dinani (University of Toronto Scarborough, Toronto, Canada)

Rose Ndengue (York University, Glendon Campus, Toronto, Canada)

Safia Aidid (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)

Session 10H: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 5) | Highland Hall 421

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Passcode: 399637

Faire, Défaire, refaire : Défis socioéconomiques et modèle de développement en question (II)

Chair: Dolly Katiutia Alima Afoumba (Philipps-universität Marburg, Germany)

Echelles de compréhension et implications au local de la variation des cours mondiaux du cacao dans le contexte ivoirien, 1987-1989. Mangoua Scheid Maurel AHOUNOU (Université de Rennes, France)

Les constructions identitaires dans les projets de développement en Afrique au prisme des capacités et des libertés. Fernande NGUEMO YAMENI (Université de Lille, Montigny-le-Bretoneux, France)

Autonomie et indépendance de l'Entrepreneuriat africain : contribution des modèles entrepreneuriaux de développement à l'aune de la pensée décoloniale. Tite Arnauld Nomo Ndongo (Chercheur indépendant)

Session 10I: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 5) | Highland Hall 459

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Passcode: 641171

The Political Economy of ‘Just’ Extractivism and ‘Just’ Transition in Africa (II)

Chair: Nathan Andrews

Discussant: Chris Huggins

Regulatory Reforms in Ghana's Power Sector and its Economic growth implications. Shafic Suleman (University of Cape Coast, Ghana), Fauzia Tanko (University of Cape Coast, Ghana).

Assessing ESG in Africa's Critical Minerals Sector: Comparative Insights from Ghana and Established Regional Players. Rexford K. Asiama (University of Environment and Sustainable Development, Ghana)

Declining crude oil production with Peak Oil and Energy transition affecting the sustainability of Upstream Petroleum Operations in Ghana. Shafic Suleman (University of Cape Coast, Ghana)

Just Transition and community resistance: A case study of Atlantic Lithium's Ewoyaa Project in Ghana. Sulemana Saaka (McMaster University)

Session 10J: 10:30 am – 11:50 am (June 5) | Highland Hall 515

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Making, Unmaking and Remaking Nigeria: Perspectives from Culture and Critical Pedagogy

Chair: Paul Ugor (University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Canada)

From the Wicked to the Philanthropic City: Affect and Activism in Femi Odugbemi's Giddie Blues. Paul Ushang Ugor (University of Waterloo, Ontario, Canada)

Graduate Unemployment in Nigeria: From "Skill-Acquisition Pedagogy" to Pedagogies of Agency, Awareness, and Resistance. Ejiofor Udu Nwogwu (McMaster University, Hamilton, Canada)

Decoloniality Of the Nigerian Political Language. Ozichukwu Chimezie Ifesie (McMaster University, Hamilton, Canada), Rosemary Nwankasiobi Nwadike (McMaster University, Hamilton, Canada)

Cultural Appropriation: Re-examining the Controversy Surrounding the Adaptation of Achebe's Things Fall Apart. Samuel Chinaza Ikueze (McMaster University, Hamilton, Canada)

Youth, Popular Culture and Public Consciousness: Theorizing Resistance in Afrobeat. Oluwadamilola Babatunde (McMaster University, Hamilton, Canada)

**LUNCH BREAK
Highland Hall Event Centre**

12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

**Lunch & Learn
12:10 PM – 1:20 PM**

**From the Classroom to the Decision Desk:
Preparing Faculty for University Administration**

De la salle de classe au bureau de décision : Préparer les enseignants à l'administration universitaire

Location: Highland Hall Event Centre

In-person only -- En personne uniquement

Facilitators

Thomas Tieku (University of Western Ontario, London, Canada) - Chair
Sulaimon Abiodun Olawale Giwa (Memorial University of Newfoundland and Labrador)

Nduka Otiono (Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada)
Alexie Tcheyayap (University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Canada)
Rita Kiki Edozio (University of Massachusetts Boston, Boston, USA)
Immaculate Namukasa (University of Western Ontario, London, Canada)
Antoinette Handley (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)
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Session 11A: 1:30 pm – 2:50 pm (June 5) | Humanities Wing 305

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Paix et Sécurité en Afrique (III)

Chair: Arnold Martial ATEBA (Université de Yaoundé, Yaoundé, Cameroon)

Naviguer entre les "Léviathans": Réflexions sur l'Afrique comme pôle de puissance dans un monde multipolaire émergent. Steve Tametong Nguemo Tsidié (Institut Supérieur de Management Public, Yaoundé, Cameroon)

Une approche hybride de règlement des conflits au Togo : les maisons de justice. KARO Tambalo (Université Senghor, Alexandrie, Egypt)

Entrepreneuriat pour les Étudiants africains en formation à l'étranger. JUGUEL MBALA BADILA (Wuhan JMB Education and Technology Co., Ltd, WUHAN, China)

Les Mouvements Djihadistes Dans Le Sahel Et La Reponse Malienne (2012-2023). Brahma KONE (Université Félix Houphouët-Boigny, Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire)

Session 11B: 1:30 pm – 2:50 pm (June 5) | Humanities Wing 308

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In Pursuit of Better Health for Africans: Utilizing Indigenous Research Methods and Afrocentric Frameworks for Health

Chair: Laura Ann Twagira (Wesleyan University, USA)

Techno-Body Politics and Vaccines in Mali: From Making Marks to Vaccine Guns. Laura Ann Twagira (Wesleyan University, USA)

Promoting Maternal Health in Rural Africa through the use of indigenous research tools: the case of Upper West Region, Ghana.
Elma Rejoice Banyen (Nottingham Trent University, United Kingdom)

Developing A Comprehensive Afrocentric Conceptual Framework for Health innovations in rural Uganda. Michael Obeng Brown (Nottingham Business School, United Kingdom).

Barriers to Mental Health Help-Seeking Among Sub-Saharan Africans in UK: Unveiling Systemic Challenges Through Critical Race Theory and Silences Framework. Last Mafuba (Nottingham Trent University, United Kingdom)

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Roundtable: Overcoming Epidemics: Transnational Black Communities' Response, Recovery, and Resilience

Organiser & Chair: Mohamed Sesay

Participants:

Sylvia Bawa (York University, Toronto, Canada)

Gertrude Mianda (York University, Toronto, Canada)

Ruth Murambadzo (Memorial University, Newfoundland, Canada)

Trixie Akpedonu (York University, Toronto, Canada)

Alhaji Njai (University of Sierra Leone, Freetown, Sierra Leone)

Jeffery Squire (York University, Toronto, Canada)

Damilola Adebayo (York University, Toronto, Canada)

Mohamed Sesay (York University, Toronto, Canada)

Elia Badjo (COSMED Democratic Republic of Congo)

Alice Sedziafa (Government of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada)

Stephen Oola (Amani Institute, Gulu, Uganda)

Session 11D: 1:30 pm – 2:50 pm (June 5) | Humanities Wing 408

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Unconventional Session: Creative Interventions Beyond the Black Atlantic

Host/moderator: Shazia Hafiz Ramji

“Creative Interventions Beyond the Black Atlantic” invites creative responses to the transnational and transhistorical intersections of the Black Atlantic, Mediterranean and Indian Oceans. From Derek Walcott’s classicism, the Shakespearean influences on Zong!, and the Afrasian storytelling of M.G. Vassanji and Yvonne Adhiambo Owuor, how do the intimacies of continents and cultures challenge us to rethink and reimagine canonical tropes? Which knowledges come to the fore when dominant discourses of the Black Atlantic are in conversation with broader contexts? “Creative Interventions Beyond the Black Atlantic” seeks challenging, interdisciplinary creative responses that extend beyond national borders and contemporary temporalities.

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Military Rule, Militarism, Warfare and Postwar Life in Africa

Organisers: Taiwo Bello (Oklahoma State University, USA), Waliu Ismaila (Utah Valley University) for the ***African Military Studies Association (AMSA)***

“Sir, may I know if I am not a Government Man Again?”: War-Disabled Veterans of World War II and Postwar Trauma in Nigeria, 1945-1965. Waliu Ismaila (Utah Valley University, USA)

Social Perceptions of Combat Stress and Trauma among Nigerian Soldiers in the Boko Haram Conflict. Temitope Oluwafisayo Ajala (Stellenbosch University, South Africa)

Physical and Psychological Effects of the Second World War on Northern Rhodesian Servicemen. Alfred Tembo (University of Zambia)

Legalizing Punishments: Military Rule and Criminal Prosecution in Twentieth-Century Nigeria. Taiwo Bello (Oklahoma State University, USA)

The geopolitical rivalry and militarization of the Horn of Africa. Yeshtila W Bekele (Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia)

Session 11F: 1:30 pm – 2:50 pm (June 5) | Humanities Wing 215

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Thinking Contemporary Africa: State, Society, and History

Chair: Zubairu Wai, University of Toronto

Okada and Pragia Mobility: Aspirations and Marginalisation of Informal Transport Workers in Ghana. Amidu Mutaru (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)

The Politics of Collective Action: A Comparative Study of the Lakou in Haiti, US & Canada. Magdalee Brunache (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)

Theory and Practice of Burkinabè Revolution. Chuka Ejekam (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)

Women in Peacebuilding: Somali Women's Efforts and Contribution for Peace in Somalia. Sureya Ali (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)

Clerical Influence and Religious Endorsement: The Role of Religious Leaders in Shaping Electoral Politics in Nigeria. Michael Oluwatobiloba Ajayi (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)

Session 11G: 1:30 pm – 2:50 pm (June 5) | Bladen Wing 264

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Reflections on African Migratory and Diasporic Experiences (I)

Chair: Fatoumata Kane (York University, Toronto, Canada)

Spirited Mobilities: Migration Desires and the Embodiment of Migrant Identities in Ghana. James Kwateng-Yeboah (Saint Mary's University, Halifax, Canada)

Globalization And Digital Media Technology Influence on Migratory Decisions. Glory Okereke (Florida International University, Miami, USA)

Session 11H: 1:30 pm – 2:50 pm (June 5) | Highland Hall 421

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Visual Culture and Research-Creation in African History

Organiser: Alison MacAulay (University of Toronto Mississauga, Canada)

Writing women back into Rwandan history: Reflections on a graphic novel approach. Erin Jessee (University of Glasgow)

Embodying Power: Visual Narratives and Cultural Continuity in Buganda's Queen Mothership. Nakanyike Musisi (University of Toronto, Canada)

Re-visioning the Mau Mau Rebellion: Collaboration and Research Creation in the Making of African Historical Knowledge. Julie MacArthur (University of Toronto), Zippy Kimundu, (Independent Filmmaker)

Filmmaker and/as Historian: Rwandan documentarians and their archives. Alison MacAulay (University of Toronto Mississauga, Canada), Shema Deve (Independent Filmmaker)

Session 11I: 1:30 pm – 2:50 pm (June 5) | Highland Hall 459

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The Political Economy of ‘Just’ Extractivism and ‘Just’ Transition in Africa (III)

Chair: Emmanuel Graham

Discussant: Alicja Paulina Krubnik

“I Like Adventure!” Stories Of Women in High-Income Earning Positions Along the Critical Mineral Supply Chain in Rwanda. Allison Furniss (University of Cape Town)

Will Ghana’s lithium mine-induced resettlement also impoverish farmers? Alhassan Atta-Quayson (UEW, Ghana)

The Just Energy Transition for Whom? Agential Constructivist Analyses of the Governance and Geopolitics of Private Security, Taxation, and New Technologies in Africa’s Critical Minerals Sector. J. Andrew Grant (Queen’s University), Mokshda Kaul (Arizona State University), Benjamin Ofosu-Atuahene (Queen’s University), Olusola Ogunnubi (Queen’s University), Badriyya Yusuf (Queen’s University)

What are the Capacity Gaps in West Africa’s Clean Energy Sector? Capturing cross-national variation through a Survey Approach. John P. Hayes (University of Calgary)

Decarbonization of the mining sector: Just Extraction and Just Transition. Rose Mayembe (RSK Group Tanzania)

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Phambili Lubuntu: Reflections on Remaking African Studies, African Diaspora Studies, and Black Studies

Co-Chairs: Federica De Sisto (Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada) & Sarah George (Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada)

In the Spirit of Rodney: Jaku Konbit’s Sankofa African History Courses, Kilombismo, and Community Controlled Educational Spaces. Clyde Ledbetter Jr. (Cheyney University)

Towards Decolonization: Migrated Kenyan Archives. Joy Karinge (Carleton University)

Feared and Venerated: The Narrative of Winnie Mandela in South Africa. Sandiswa Lerato Kobe (University of South Africa)

Local Community Engagement in the Decolonization of African Studies: A Critical Analysis. Adenike Mercy Olaoye (Thomas Adewumi University)

Regionification in the post-2000 Zimbabwean Politically induced Economic Crisis in Short Writings from Bulawayo I, II and III. Nhlanhla Sibanda (Zimbabwe Open University)

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African ‘Herstory’ Reimagined: Tales of Ghanaian Matriarchs

Chair: David Damtar (University of Oxford, Oxford, United Kingdom)

The Girl from Pepease. Cynthia Kwakyewah (York University, Toronto, Canada)

Rocky Days and Redeeming Times in Sefwi Wiawso. Sylvester Andam (Washington State University, Washington, USA)

Building a Fortune by the Sea. Naa Mensah (University of Oxford, Oxford, United Kingdom)

Flourishing after the Drought: Reflections of a West African Griotte. Thomas Amanquandor (University of Oslo, Oslo, Norway)

Session 12B: 3:00 pm – 4:20 pm (June 5) | Humanities Wing 308

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Les défis de l'orpaillage en Afrique de l'Ouest : gouvernance, insécurité, et l'autonomisation féminine

Organiser & Chair: Laura Ann Twagira (Wesleyan University, USA)

Orpaillage Au Mali : Les Defis De Gouvernance Territoriale Du Sous-Secteur. Sékou Camara (l’Institut des Sciences Humaines (ISH), Bamako, Mali)

L'extraction minière artisanale au Burkina Faso : les orpailleurs face au défi de l'insécurité. Jacqueline SOW (l’Université Nazi BONI (UNB) de Bobo-Dioulasso, Bobo-Dioulasso, Burkina Faso)

Session 12C: 3:00 pm – 4:20 pm (June 5) | Humanities Wing 402

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The Infrastructure of Extractivism in Africa

Chair: Patrick Okpalaekwe (York University, Toronto, Canada)

British Mining Interests, Diseases, and the Question of Medical Infrastructure in and around Enugu Coalfields and Environs, c.1915 – c.1950s. Patrick Okpalaekwe (York University, Toronto, Canada)

British Erosion Campaign and Indigenous Resistance, 1938-1945. Nwachukwu Uzoamaka (Indiana University, Bloomington, USA)

'From Here to the Produce Zone, In-between is No Man's Land': Colonial Rail Transport Disarticulation and the Ghost Town Phenomenon. Alex Ameachi Ugwuwa (Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka, Nigeria)

Comparative analysis of Chinese mining activities in Ghana and the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) Abdou Rahim Lema (Universite de Montreal, Montreal, Canada)

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Roundtable: East African Contributions, Criticisms and Necessary Interventions in the Making of Black Studies in Canada

Sam Tecle (Toronto Metropolitan University, Toronto, Canada)

Alpha Abebe (McMaster University, Hamilton, Canada)

Ola Mohammed (York University, Toronto, Canada)

Nadiya Nur Ali (Trent University, Peterborough, Canada)

Session 12E: 3:00 pm – 4:20 pm (June 5) | Humanities Wing 214

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Business, Supply Chain, and Local Industry

Chair: Samuel Ojo Oloruntoba (Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada)

Blockchain Technology: A Catalyst for Supply Chain Transparency for Africa Development. Hammed Olawale Gazal (Lagos State University, Lagos, Nigeria)

Building resilient and agile family-owned businesses in Nigeria: the role of innovation and strategic performance in business sustainability. Moruf Adebakin (Yaba College of Technology, Yaba, Nigeria), Elizabeth Ojo (Yaba College of Technology, Yaba, Nigeria)

Reframing the grammar of economics: Indigenous knowledge and economic transformation in Africa. Solomon Akinboye (University of Lagos, Akoka Lagos, Nigeria), Samuel Ojo Oloruntoba (Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada)

"ISE ALAJAPA O LAAGO": Understanding the nuances of work-life balance among female itinerant traders (alajapa) in Saki, Oyo State, Nigeria. Victoria Olujimi (University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria)

Unlocking Africa's Potential: The Role of Young Innovators and Entrepreneurs. Oluwatobi Adeolu (University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria)

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African Agency, Governance, And (Under-)Development

Chair: Olusola Ogunnubi (Queen's University, Kingston, Canada)

Leadership and governance in Africa. Abdulrasheed Bawa (Economic and Financial Crimes Commission, Abuja, Nigeria), Bello Umar (Economic and Financial Crimes Commission, Abuja, Nigeria)

The Challenges and Opportunities for Zambian CSOs and NGOs in the Post-SDGs Era. Darren Watson (Manchester Metropolitan University, Manchester, United Kingdom)

Reclaiming Agency: The Role of Africa's Home-Grown Solutions in Peacebuilding. Peace Mukazi Ndekezi (Saint Paul University, Ottawa, Canada)

Insecurity and Institutional Trust in the Context of a Coup d'État: The Case of Mali. Mamadou Abdoulaye Diallo (Consortium pour la Recherche Economique et Sociale (CRES)), Dakar, Senegal)

Building economic independence for all Africans, industrialisation the key in the Ghanaian economy. Emmanuel Appau (University of Cologne, Cologne, Germany)

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Reflections on African Migratory and Diasporic Experiences (II)

Chair: James Kwateng-Yeboah (Saint Mary's University, Halifax, Canada)

Stereotypy: Laughing at Stereotypes - How African Comedians Turn the Tables on Hollywood. KJ Tommy (York University, Toronto, Canada)

Navigating Complex Waves: The Socio-Political and Economic Dynamics Charting the Course of Senegalese Fishermen's Migration. Fatoumata Kane (York University, Toronto, Canada)

Qualitative analysis of the drivers of immigration policies of Ghana from 1909 to 2024. Frank Ayisi (Ghana Immigration Service, Accra, Ghana)

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Forging Towards Inclusive Entrepreneurship And Informal Sector Employment For Women With Family Care Responsibilities In Africa

Organiser: Zitha Mokomane (University of Pretoria, Pretoria, South Africa)

Participants:

Zitha Mokomane (University of Pretoria, Pretoria, South Africa)

Konjit Hailu Gudeta (Addis Ababa University, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia)

Pfarelo Matsila (University of Pretoria, Pretoria, South Africa)

Kwaku Abrefa Busia (Lingnan University, Hong Kong, Hong Kong)

Raymong Mutura (Strathmore University, Nairobi, Kenya)

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The Political Economy of 'Just' Extractivism and 'Just' Transition in Africa (IV)

Chair: Emmanuel Graham

A participatory framework to promote systems thinking and facilitate the management of mineral-active regions. Alaoma Alozie (Imperial College London, UK/Oxford Business College).

Global Norm Diffusion and Environmental Governance: A Comparative Analysis of Mining Regulations in Ghana and Nigeria under the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative. Benjamin Ofosu-Atuahene (Queen's University), Mirriam Mensah (Dalhousie University)

Turbidity is the symptom, not the disease: The nexus between Sites of Extraction and Anti-Galamsey Social Movements in Ghana. Racheal Wallace (Carleton University)

"Gold mining is now transmuting from 'Cash-Cow' into Electioneering Machine": Navigating the Changing Materialities of Gold in Ghana. Augustine Gyan (University of Bayreuth, Germany)

Session 12J: 3:00 pm – 4:20 pm (June 5) | Highland Hall 515

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Entrepreneurship, Microfinance, and the Informal Economy

Chair: Sampson Adese (York University, Toronto, Canada)

The Digital Microfinance Model: Modern way of alleviating poverty. Francis Nyonzo (Michigan State University, East Lansing, USA)

An Exploratory study on Black entrepreneurs in the city of Ottawa, Canada. Odile Raphaelle Nguenda Djeuta (Chercheur Indépendant, NGAOUNDERE, Cameroon)

Rethinking Youth Entrepreneurship and Skills Development as a Panacea to Building Sustainable Economy in Africa. Olayinka Gabriel (Anchor University, Ayobo Lagos, Nigeria), Babatunde Sunmola (Petroleum Training Institute (PTI), Effurun, Delta State, Nigeria)

Building Bridges: Empowering Black Youth through Social Capital and Networking. Cecilia Bukutu (Concordia University of Edmonton, Edmonton, Canada), Viola Manokore (NorQuest College, Edmonton, Canada)

4:30 PM – 6:30 PM (June 5, 2025)
Evening Session Day 3

Keynote Lecture
Conférence d'ouverture

Keynote Speaker // Orateur principal
Professor Ato Quayson (Stanford University)

Title // Titre

Africa and Its Diverse Diasporas: Engagement or Alienation?

In English, but attendees can ask questions in French // En anglais mais les participants peuvent poser des questions en français

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By registration/invitation only

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Conference Registration 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM

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Session 13A: 9:30 am – 10:50 am (June 6) | Humanities Wing 305

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Multidisciplinary Perspectives on African Futures

Chair: Glory Okereke (Florida International University, Miami, USA)

Theorizing African Agency in The Governance of Emerging Technologies. Olusola Ogunnubi (Queen's University, Kingston, Canada)

Creating Policy Space for Emerging Economies in Africa: Decolonization of Existing IP System. Sileshi Hirko (York University, Toronto, Canada)

The Case for Critical Nuclear Humanities. Jo-Ansie van Wyk (University of South Africa, Pretoria, South Africa)

Accelerating Digitalization and Technological Innovation as Keys to Boosting Economic Growth in Africa. Ndirangu Ngunjiri (University of Nairobi, Nairobi, Kenya), Anthony Kamau (University of Nairobi, Nairobi, Kenya)

Understanding parenting practices in the post-conflict era through engagement of local stakeholders in participatory process: occupational community development. Emmanuel Biracyaza (University of Montreal, Montreal, Canada)

Session 13B: 9:30 am – 10:50 am (June 6) | Humanities Wing 308

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Decolonisation, Reforms & Historical Memory

Chair: Paul Akpomuje (Queen's University, Kingston, Canada)

Rethinking Prisons: Decolonization, Abolition, and Liberation in 20th-Century Africa. Katherine Bruce-Lockhart (University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Canada)

Fort Jesus: The Prison World of Mombasa (1895–1958) and Beyond. Amed Galo Lopez (University of California, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, USA)

African Indigenous Knowledge, African Medicinal Systems, and Decoloniality: An Epistemic Decolonisation. Sodiq Babalola Ogundimu (Lagos State University, Nigeria)

Impacts of English as the Dominant Language in Early Childhood Education and Care Centers in Yoruba Speaking States, Nigeria. Oluyemisi Majebi (University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria)

Unmaking Epistemic and Structural Challenges to Remake Ontologies of Continental Africa. Sampson Adese (York University, Toronto, Canada)

Session 13C: 9:30 am – 10:50 am (June 6) | Humanities Wing 402

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Foreign Ideas, Aids, and Socioeconomic Transformation in Africa

Chair: Damilola Adebayo (York University, Canada)

The Driving Forces of Western Development and the Remaking of African Development in the 21st Century. Muassua David (McGill University, Montreal, Canada)

Shifting Paradigms: ECOWAS Decision-Making in Evolving Regional Dynamics. Jakub Zbýtovský (University of Hradec Králové, Hradec Králové, Czech Republic)

The Political Economy of Conditionality in Foreign Aid: Impacts on Governance and Peace in Sub-Saharan Africa. Mark Opoku Amankwa (Edith Cowan University, Perth, Australia)

Foreign Aids and Underdevelopment of Africa: The Nigeria-Ghana Experience. Alexander Dike (Igbinedion University, Okada, Nigeria)

Session 13D: 9:30 am – 10:50 am (June 6) | Humanities Wing 408

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Elections and Political Transitions

Chair: Magdalee Brunache (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)

Rethinking international election observation in an age of Western bias, improved technology, and where electoral disputes begin with the Outcome announcement. Albert Omulo (University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa)

Political Parties as Gate Keepers to female representation in Political Decision Making: the case of the Botswana Democratic Party. Keneilwe Mooketsane (University of Botswana, Botswana)

The Onset of Political Instability During Democratic Regime Transitions in Africa: Post-2018 Ethiopia. Zerihun Kinate (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)

Session 13E: 9:30 am – 10:50 am (June 6) | Humanities Wing 214

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Multilateral Institutions, Western Powers, and Development in Africa

Chair: Freeman Mateko (University of Johannesburg, Gauteng, South Africa)

Beyond the AU: Regionalism, International Relations (IR), and Institutional Continuity in Africa. Denis Dogah (University Canada West, Vancouver, Canada)

Africa's Social Play in Great Power Politics: Analyzing Alignment Preferences Towards the United States, Russia, and China. Mariem Hamdy (University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada)

Rethinking the 'International': Contextualizing Pan-Africanism as an IR Theory in a Changing Global (Dis)Order. Samuel Oloruntoba (Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada), Zainab Olaitan (Queen's University, Kingston, Canada)

Economic Growth in Zimbabwe After the 2017 Coup: A Kaldorian Approach. Dhibhora Mufandaedza (University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa)

Session 13F: 9:30 am – 10:50 am (June 6) | Humanities Wing 215

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Creative Arts as a Tool of Cultural Resistance & Reshaping in Africa

Chair: Ojo Oluranti (Anchor University, Lagos, Nigeria)

From Afrobeats to Worldbeats: Promoting Nigerian Music and Culture in the Global Space. Oluranti Ojo (University of Abuja, Abuja, Nigeria), Abayomi Saibu (ANCHOR UNIVERSITY, LAGOS, Nigeria)

Echoes of Resistance: Afrobeat as a Cultural and Intellectual Force in Afro-Atlantic Socio-Political Struggles. Samson Fagbounlu (University at Buffalo, Buffalo, New York, USA)

Afrofuturism: Afrobeats Music, Africa's Image, and the Politics of Remaking. Adesoji Babalola (Queen's University, Kingston, Canada)

Session 13G: 9:30 am – 10:50 am (June 6) | Bladen Wing 264

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Conflict, Social Identity, and Political Tensions

Chair: Damilola Odekunle (University of Lagos, Nigeria)

The Trajectories to the Remaking of Africa. Jim Unah (University of Lagos, Nigeria)

The Nexus of Peace and Resource Management: Recommendations for Socio-Cultural Approaches to Conflict Resolution in Africa. Nadia Nartey (Kennesaw State University, Georgia, USA)

Navigating a Renewed Civic Space in a Conflict-Affected Society: Experiences of Ethiopian Civic Actors. Leulseged Girma (Independent Researcher), Franklin Oduro (Carleton University, Canada)

Barriers in the Unmaking of Youth Civic Engagement: Group Narratives within Regime Change and Civil War in Ethiopia. Mesele Mengsteab (Addis Ababa University, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia)

The Effect of Climate Change on Migration Intentions in Ghana, A Study of the Pusiga District. Akua Nyamekye Darko (University of Ghana, Accra, Ghana)

Discarding the Violence-for-Violence Approach to Internal Armed Conflict in Africa: The Nigerian Experience. Dolapo Olutayo (Lead City University, Ibadan, Nigeria)

Session 13H: 9:30 am – 10:50 am (June 6) | Highland Hall 421

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Religion and Identity in Africa

Chair: Adrian M. Deese (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, USA)

Faith, Spirituality, and Human Survival in the Nigerian Precarious Violent Scapes. Feyisayo Akindoyin (University of Calgary, Calgary, Canada)

African Christian Nationalism: A Typology. Siphiwe Dube (University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa)

Revisiting African Indigenous Forgiveness and Reconciliation Rituals in the Conflict Resolution Mechanisms. Valentine Banfegha Ngalim (University of Bamenda, Bamenda, Cameroon), Mathew Ngoran (University of Bamenda, Bamenda, Cameroon)

Africans Solving Africa's Problems: Harnessing the Multifaceted Knowledge of Academia, Religion, Culture, and Indigenous Approaches. Peter White (Stellenbosch University, Stellenbosch, South Africa)

Session 13I: 9:30 am – 10:50 am (June 6) | Highland Hall 459

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Language, Culture, and Society in Everyday Life

Chair: Ozichukwu Chimezie Ifesie (McMaster University, Hamilton, Canada)

Language Shift in Nigeria: Language Club as a Panacea for the Yoruba Language Revitalization and Preservation in Multilingual Societies. Adebola Felicia Ajetomobi (Federal College of Education Yola, Nigeria)

Localizing Decolonization of Education: Linguistic justice for the Maay language speakers in Somalia. Tirsit Yetbarek Seme (Somaliland Centre for African Studies, Hargeysa, Somalia)

A Discursive Analysis of Trash Talks and Defensive Responses on Nigerian Social Media Platforms. Vivian Ejiaso (York University, Toronto, Canada)

A Pragmatic Analysis of Selected Print Media Reports on Insurgency in Nigerian Newspapers. Aliyu Uthman Abdulkadir (KWARA STATE UNIVERSITY, MALETE, Nigeria)

Session 13J: 9:30 am – 10:50 am (June 6) | Highland Hall 515

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Feminist Epistemologies

Chair: Rose Ndengue (York University, Glendon, Toronto, Canada)

Feminisation of IDP Settlements in Nigeria; Advocating a Gender-based Approach for the Protection of the Health Rights of Displaced Women. Ijeoma Anozie (Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, Abuja, Nigeria)

Sex Strike: An Implosion into Radical Feminism in Africa. Genevieve Egbunno (University of California Merced, USA)

Is My Hair a Feminist Too? Sarah Akomoh (Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Carbondale, Illinois, USA)

Articulating an African Feminist Epistemology: Exploring the necessity of distinction and independence. Amarachi Chukwu (York University, Toronto, Canada)

Tales of an African Woman Toward Scholarship. Ernestina Wiafe (Kansas State University, Manhattan, USA)

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM (June 6, 2025)

Session Block 14

SPECIAL PANEL

African Studies in Canadian Universities: Challenges and Prospects

Facilitators

Sylvia Bawa (York University, Toronto, Canada) - Chair

Alpha Abebe (McMaster University, Hamilton, Canada)

Nathan Andrews (McMaster University, Hamilton, Canada)

Paul Ugor (University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Canada)

Nduka Otiono (Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada)

Mohamed Sesay (York University, Toronto, Canada)

Khalid Medani (McGill University, Montréal, Canada)

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En anglais, mais les participants peuvent poser des questions en français.

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12:30 PM – 1:30 PM

