

01:05:48 Dr. Brian J Yates (he/him/his): Saint Joseph's University in Philly

01:07:37 Sarah W (she/her) History: Hi everyone, joining from Canada ! Simon Fraser University

01:08:01 Christopher Davey: Chris Davey, Binghamton SUNY, upstate NY, USA

01:08:35 Ine-Ryan, Bianna E: Hello! Joining from the Library of Congress, Washington, DC USA

01:09:49 Kristin McKie (she/her): Hello, also joining from Upstate NY, USA from St. Lawrence University. When I try to turn on my video I am getting an error messages saying "You cannot start your video because the host has stopped it." Is there a way to remedy this?

01:10:11 Elizabeth Adesunmbo Omotayo, PhD: Hello everyone! I am Elizabeth and I am joining from Jos, Nigeria.

01:10:28 Kristin McKie (she/her): No problem!

01:11:27 Ine-Ryan, Bianna E: I also cannot unmute my mic. LoC would be happy to speak with you about the resources available

01:13:18 Ine-Ryan, Bianna E: I would be glad to hear from anyone interested: bineryan@loc.gov

01:16:21 Anene Ejikeme: When you want to speak, pls raise your hand and I will unmute you. THANK YOU! Enter your questions and comments in the Q&A if you like.

01:17:09 Dr. Martin: Reacted to "When you want to spe..." with 👍

01:17:56 Bruce, Lehigh U.: I find Keim & Somerville's book "Mistaking Africa" helpful for addressing preconceived notions:  
<https://www.routledge.com/Mistaking-Africa-Misconceptions-and-Inventions/Keim-Somerville/p/book/9780367775971>

01:21:34 Eric M Washington: I hit students hard with the language, especially the word "tribe"

01:22:13 Anene Ejikeme: >>Or one big "jungle" sometimes!

01:24:53 Mojubaolu Okome: Besides the subject matter of the particular course, I try to correct problematic ideas about the size of Africa, the use of perjorative terminologies like "tribe," "natives," "native costumes," etc. But Africans themselves use these terms, making it difficult to gain traction in motivating change in an enduring way.

01:27:01 Khedidja Chergui: Books by Basil Davidson and Cheikh Anta Diop when it comes to teaching African history and culture make a great read. I usually draw on their writings in the form of reading assignments to my students.

01:29:09 Khedidja Chergui: Reacted to "Besides the subject ..." with 👍

01:29:35 donal: Morning everyone greetings from Jamaica: A lot depends on the audience that you are teaching. In the Caribbean where there is a Pan African consciousness mingled with a neocolonial mentality its different from North America

01:30:12 Mojubaolu Okome: I assign students to six groups, based on the conventional five regions and the African Diaspora, which is from 2003, when the AU decided to embrace the Diaspora as a sixth region. Each group is asked to present news \*drawn from reputable news sources, from their region that is relevant to the subject matter of the course, and must show why people who are interested in the subject should care.

01:30:39 MN: Replying to "I hit students hard ..."

Great

01:31:25 Mojubaolu Okome: The relevant news about Africa assignment is done each time the course meets. By the end of the course, students have a more grounded knowledge about, and more interest in Africa

01:31:39 Khedidja Chergui: Reacted to "The relevant news ab..." with 👍

01:31:45 Khedidja Chergui: Reacted to "I hit students hard ..." with 👍

01:32:06 Catey Boyle she/they: Reacted to "I assign students to..." with ❤️

01:33:54 Afia Zakiya: Thank you!

01:35:39 Julian Pecquet: Good morning everyone. I am the US correspondent for The Africa Report, the leading news source on current African business and politics. We are doubling down on our outreach to universities - including attending last week's ASA meeting - not only in terms of subscription rebates but also potentially working with educators on classroom resources. Please feel free to contact me if I can be of any help:

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01:37:39 Khedidja Chergui: Reacted to "Good morning everyon..." with 👍

01:42:18 Afia Zakiya: Thank you Prof Okome for hanging tough!

01:48:57 Bruce Whitehouse, Lehigh U.: Respect and gratitude, Dr Okome: one of my earliest publications was a chapter in your 2012 "West African Migrations" volume. I don't know if I ever thanked you for providing me with that opportunity!

01:53:47 Khedidja Chergui: Thank you Prof Okome for being a source of enlightenment to us engaged in African studies as always.

01:56:47 Afia Zakiya: IOL!

01:57:41 Catherine Odari: Reacted to "The relevant news ab..." with 👍

02:00:51 Khedidja Chergui: Thank you for the great talk, Prof Okome!

02:01:26 Eric M Washington: Great job, y'all!!

02:01:36 Afia Zakiya: Thank you Profs Okome and Odari!

02:01:57 Naluwembe Binaisa: Thank you so much Prof Okome for an inspiring presentation as ever particularly the points you make about the need to connect with Africa! I am one of your grateful mentees! 😊

02:02:14 Khedidja Chergui: Reacted to "Thank you Prof Adair..." with 👍

02:02:19 Khedidja Chergui: Reacted to "Thank you so much Pr..." with 👍

02:02:45 Sarah W (she/her) History: Thank you Prof Odari, Prof Okome!!

02:03:41 Catey Boyle she/they: Thank you all so much, fantastic and helpful presentations.

02:03:54 Mojubaolu Okome: @Khedidja Chergui @Naluwembe Binaisa @Afia Zakiya @Bruce Whitehouse, Lehigh U. and other colleagues, Thank you very much for coming, and for your kind words.

02:04:38 Khedidja Chergui: Reacted to "@Khedidja Chergui @N..." with ❤️

02:06:05 Eric M Washington: I've told the same to my students. There's way too much out there on Africa to remain ignorant!

02:08:22 Catherine Odari: Reacted to "Thank you Prof Odari..." with 👍

02:08:38 Catherine Odari: Reacted to "Thank you all so muc..." with 👍

02:08:54 Todd Watkins, Lehigh U.: "Accelerated Development in Sub-Saharan Africa: A Plan for Action," Elliot Berg, 1981

02:08:55 Catherine Odari: Reacted to "@Khedidja Chergui @N..." with 👍

02:09:08 Catherine Odari: Reacted to "I've told the same t..." with 👍

02:09:21 Anene Ejikeme:  
<https://documents1.worldbank.org/curated/en/702471468768312009/pdf/multi-page.pdf>

02:11:33 Anene Ejikeme: A book I highly recommend. I assign it and have also recommended to many of my colleagues to help correct their erroneous ideas about Africa:  
<https://www.afdb.org/pt/news-and-events/africas-odious-debts-how-foreign-loans-and-capital-flight-bled-a-continent-by-leonce-ndikumana-and-james-k-boyce-8483>

02:11:49 Catherine Odari: Reacted to "A book I highly reco..." with ❤️

02:12:06 Anene Ejikeme:  
<https://www.amazon.com/Africas-Odious-Debts-Continent-Arguments/dp/1848134592>

02:12:42 Catherine Odari: Reacted to "https://www.amazon.c..." with ❤️

02:13:35 Afia Zakiya: Yes!

02:13:51 Dr. Martin: Reacted to "I assign students to..." with ❤️

02:13:59 Elizabeth Adesunmbo Omotayo, PhD: Thanks to Prof. Okome and Dr. Odari for their insightful presentations.

02:14:18 Catherine Odari: Reacted to "Thanks to Prof. Okom..." with 👍

02:14:47 Afia Zakiya: Ignorance vs Unwillingness to Learn!

02:15:05 Naluwembe Binaisa: Reacted to "Thanks to Prof. Okom..." with 👍

02:15:14 Naluwembe Binaisa: Reacted to "Ignorance vs Unwilli..." with 👍

02:16:22 Dr. Martin: Reacted to "Thank you so much Pr..." with 🙌

02:18:41 Dr. Brian J Yates (he/him/his): Language is a dialect with an army

02:19:21 Afia Zakiya: To Both presenters: What African scholars inform your work? Do you consider your work part of the decolonizing knowledge and language efforts - e.g., Ngũgĩ wa Thiong'o? How do movies like "The Woman King" help or hinder such efforts?

02:20:00 Mojubaolu Okome: About family, I have this paper: "Making Do: Personal Reflections on Transnational Yorùbá Motherhood in the 20th and 21st Centuries"  
[https://www.researchgate.net/publication/281838090\\_Making\\_Do\\_Personal\\_Reflections\\_on\\_Transnational\\_Yoruba\\_Motherhood\\_in\\_the\\_20th\\_and\\_21st\\_Centuries](https://www.researchgate.net/publication/281838090_Making_Do_Personal_Reflections_on_Transnational_Yoruba_Motherhood_in_the_20th_and_21st_Centuries)

02:23:51 Anene Ejikeme: For anyone who teaches, Things Fall Apart, I highly recommend pairing it with this "response" from Adichie:  
<https://www.newyorker.com/magazine/2008/06/23/the-headstrong-historian>

02:27:19 Catherine Odari: Nwando Achebe

02:28:03 Catherine Odari: Nakanyike Musisi

02:28:24 Naluwembe Binaisa: Reacted to "Nakanyike Musisi" with 👍

02:28:44 Naluwembe Binaisa: Reacted to "Nwando Achebe" with 👍

02:28:49 Afia Zakiya: Thank you both!

02:29:24 Anene Ejikeme: Prof Oyewumi: you arrive after your work was just mentioned!

02:30:34 Oyeronke Oyewumi: Sorry I am just coming because my dept. had a Zoom job talk that I had to attend

02:30:47 Anene Ejikeme: Reacted to "Sorry I am just comi..." with 👍  
 02:30:50 Catherine Odari: Reacted to "Sorry I am just comi..." with 👍  
 02:31:06 Afia Zakiya: Indeed Ayi Kwei Armah's writings are invaluable as historical novels to inform our teaching!  
 02:33:05 Khedidja Chergui: Reacted to "For anyone who teach..." with 👍  
 02:34:27 Anene Ejikeme: You can start your video now. I think  
 02:34:28 Anene Ejikeme: Pls try  
 02:36:40 Mojubaolu Okome: Replying to "Indeed Ayi Kwei Arma..."

Yes. Ayi Kwei Armah is brilliant! I've consumed all or almost all of his writings, I've even used The Beautiful Ones Are Not Yet Born in my teaching

02:37:22 Khedidja Chergui: The scholarly writings of Basil Davidson, Cheikh Anta Diop, Frantz Fanon, Steve Biko, and Gayatri Spivak (espeially her thoughts on what she calls 'epistemic violence'), add to the non-fictional works of Wole Soyinka, are very good sources to draw on when teaching African history.

02:37:32 Mojubaolu Okome: Replying to "Nakanyike Musisi"

I use Nakanyike's work in my African Women and Feminism course. She's brilliant, and also a friend.

02:37:57 Khedidja Chergui: Reacted to "I use Nakanyike's wo..." with 👍  
 02:38:42 marykinyanjui: If you are interested in hearing about teaching and research and publishing in an African university, I am available. marykinyanjui@yahoo.com  
 02:38:49 Mojubaolu Okome: Replying to "The scholarly writin..."

Yes! I've used these scholars and more in my teaching

02:39:28 Khedidja Chergui: Reacted to "Yes! I've used these..." with 🙌  
 02:40:30 Catherine Odari: Reacted to "I use Nakanyike's wo..." with 👍  
 02:40:36 Eric M Washington: I've experienced a vibrant youth culture in Liberia  
 02:41:21 Afia Zakiya: Telling our own stories - yes! Very important!  
 02:45:22 Dr. Martin: Reacted to "Telling our own stor..." with 👍  
 02:46:20 Eric M Washington: I end my Africa and the World class on this issue, and invite my students to problem-solve  
 02:47:01 Catherine Odari: Reacted to "I end my Africa and ..." with 👍  
 02:47:43 Afia Zakiya: How has the education of Africans about Africa on the continent progressed? Or has it and who controls the narratives? My experience recently as a Fulbright in Uganda revealed a continuing lack of knowledge by young people about their own country and other African countries. What efforts are addressing intra-inter continental knowledge on and about Africa?  
 02:47:48 Mojubaolu Okome: Replying to "I end my Africa and ..."

Wow! Me too. I do this in all the courses I teach because Africa does have problems, but so do the US, EU, UK, France, etc, etc.

02:48:50 Dr. Martin: Replying to "I end my Africa and ..."

How do you do this? How do they respond?

- 02:49:03 Eric M Washington: Reacted to "Wow! Me too. I do th..." with 👍
- 02:49:03 Khedidja Chergui: I gotta go for another engagement. I thank you all and especially Profs Okome and Odari, for the great interventions. Hoping to be part of a similar event again. Have a great day!
- 02:49:12 Dr. Martin: Reacted to "I gotta go for anoth..." with 👍
- 02:49:28 Esther O. Ajayi-Lowo: Reacted to "Wow! Me too. I do th..." with 👍
- 02:49:34 Dr. Martin: Reacted to "How has the educatio..." with 👍
- 02:50:53 Eric M Washington: Replying to "I end my Africa and ..."

I present the dual narratives of Africa Rising and Africa Pessimism. Then, get into a specific issues/problems regarding HIV, genocide, etc. They would have read about this. I'm asking them to apply what they've read

- 02:53:35 Eric M Washington: Yes, yes!! I and a partner in Liberia brought African American students together with Liberian students virtually, and then I brought the African American students to Liberia!! It was a great time and project.
- 02:54:19 Dr. Martin: Reacted to "Yes, yes!! I and a p..." with 👍
- 02:54:20 Mojubaolu Okome: Replying to "How has the educatio..."

There are tremendous challenges because the African academy has been greatly decimated due to neoliberally-imposed gross underfunding and the brain drain. Also, there's a hegemonic relationship between the global north and the rest of the world. The global north's control over financial and other resources gives them the upper hand, and they use this power to maintain control, including shaping the narratives and structures. There are efforts by some institutions. CODESRIA comes to mind. I love Lagos Studies Association so much that I became a lifetime member. Great work going on there. However, the need is vast and the resources are few.

- 02:55:04 Dr. Martin: Replying to "Yes, yes!! I and a p..."
- Would like to know how you've done this kind of trip with students
- 02:55:28 Eric M Washington: Replying to "Yes, yes!! I and a p..."

I would love to share. Hit me up-eric.washington@calvin.edu

- 02:57:46 Dr. Martin: Replying to "Yes, yes!! I and a p..."
- Thanks

- 02:59:30 Naluwembe Binaisa: Thank you so much Dr Odari and Prof Okome, for your contributions and answers, thought-provoking and inspiring.
- 02:59:38 Eric M Washington: The brain and talent drain began in 1444!!
- 02:59:44 Afia Zakiya: Yes! That's the question for me! See my question above--
- 02:59:54 Catherine Odari: Reacted to "Thank you so much Dr..." with 👍
- 03:01:12 Afia Zakiya: What is the role of our scholarship in contributing to larger structural change in Africa!??!
- 03:01:49 Afia Zakiya: It is OUR classic!
- 03:02:23 Afia Zakiya: Ase'
- 03:02:30 Esther O. Ajayi-Lowo: I have to administer another final exam now. Thank you so

much for the presentation and interventions. Thanks everyone!

03:04:51 Afia Zakiya: Wahala!

03:05:06 Eric M Washington: Truth, truth, truth

03:06:33 Afia Zakiya: @Eric M Washington yes, Truth Truth Truth!

03:07:10 Afia Zakiya: Thank you all for this. Signing off for another meeting! I Look forward to the recording!

03:08:49 Christopher Davey: Thanks everyone!

03:08:50 Dr. Martin: Thank you so much

03:09:00 Eric M Washington: Very good!!

03:09:09 Olayinka: Thank you!

03:09:10 Ine-Ryan, Bianna E: Thank you very much! Great

03:09:18 ntd5172: Thank you

03:09:37 Dr. Martin: When and where will the recoding be shared?

03:10:05 Eric M Washington: This will be an annual thing for us!!

03:10:49 Remi Alapo: Thank you

03:10:57 Remi Alapo: Sorry time zone

03:11:09 Remi Alapo: remialapo@aol.com