

ANTH 253 Peoples and Cultures of Africa – Spring 2004

Lecture Hall 3

MWF 9:40-10:40

Instructor: Distinguished Professor Michael M Horowitz

Textbooks:

Beinart, William and Joann McGregor, eds.

Social History and African Environments

2003 James Currey, Oxford (also Ohio University Press, paper)

Devereux, Stephen and Simon Maxwell, eds.

Food Security in Sub-Saharan Africa

2001 Institute of Development Studies, London

Fratkin, Elliott

Ariaal Pastoralists of Kenya: Surviving Drought and Development in Africa's Arid Lands

1998 Allyn and Bacon, Boston

Koenig, Dolores, Tieman Diarra, and Moussa Sow

Innovation and Individuality in African Development: Changing Production Strategies in Rural Mali

1998 University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Leonard, David K. and Scott Strauss

Africa's Stalled Development: International Causes and Cures

2003 Lynne Rienner, Boulder, CO

Note: Students are expected to attend all classes. Examinations are cumulative, with an emphasis on the materials since the preceding examination.

Calendar (subject to modification during the semester)

1. Wed. July 21

Read: Beinart and McGregor, ***Social History and African Environments***

2. Fri. July 23

Video: ***The Wodaabe***

3. Mon. July 26

4. Wed. July 28

5. Fri. July 30

6. Mon. Feb. 2

Video: *In Search of Cool Ground: The Mursi*

7. Wed. Feb. 4

8. Fri. Feb. 6

9. Mon. Feb. 9

Read: Devereux and Maxwell, *Food Security in Sub-Saharan Africa*

10. Wed. Feb. 11

11. Fri. Feb. 13

Video: *In Search of Cool Ground: The Migrants*

12. Mon. Feb. 16

13. Wed. Feb. 18

14. Fri. Feb. 20 **First Examination 25% of Final Grade**

15. Mon. Feb. 23

16. Wed. Feb 25

17. Fri. Feb. 27

18. Mon. Mar. 1

Read: Fratkin, *Ariaal Pastoralists of Kenya*

19. Wed. Mar. 3

Video: *Masai Women*

20. Fri. Mar. 5

21. Mon. Mar. 8

22. Wed. Mar. 10

23. Mon. Mar. 15

24. Wed. Mar. 17

25. Fri. Mar. 19

26. Mon. Mar. 22

27. Wed. Mar. 24

28. Fri. Mar. 26 **Second Examination – 35% of Final Grade**

29. Mon. Mar. 29

Read: Koenig, et al, *Innovation and Individuality in African Development*

30. Wed. Mar. 31

31. Fri. Apr. 2

32. Wed. Apr. 14

33. Fri. Apr. 16

- Videos: *A Plague Upon the Land: West Africa*
 Defeating River Blindness in West Africa
34. Mon. Apr. 19
35. Wed. Apr. 21
36. Fri. Apr. 23
37. Mon. Apr. 26
 Read: Leonard and Strauss, *Africa's Stalled Development*
38. Wed. Apr. 28
 Video: *Large Dams and Small People*
39. Fri. Apr. 30
40. Mon. May 3
41. Wed. May 5
42. Fri. May 7

Final Examination date to be set by the Registrar – 40% of final grade.