AFRICAN CIVILIZATIONS

BROADCAST TITLE: Africa
COURSE NUMBER: ICS 548VA
CREDIT HOURS: 3 Undergraduate or Graduate Credit Hours
DESCRIPTION: Examines the African legacy and its contributions to the world, as well as the slave trade, colonial domination and issues facing the continent today.
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TUITION AND FEES: Undergraduate: $315.00
Graduate: $333.00
ORIENTATIONS/LECTURE RESEARCH PAPER DUE: GSU: Friday, May 11 at 5:30 p.m. OR Saturday, May 12 at 10 a.m.
Friday, August 10th, 2001 at 5:30 p.m.
TEXT AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE: African Civilizations Course Packet, Governors State University Printshop
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VIDEOTAPES: Eight one-hour tapes.

VIEWING: • GSU Library
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OFFICE HOURS: No set hours, however, can email at lbrock@igc.org or call (773) 881-1656

COURSE DESCRIPTION

If archaeologists are correct, we are all African by heritage. Why do they say that? Some of the oldest human remains known to us today have been found in Africa.

This television course, called Africa, examines all of our history. Renowned historian Basil Davidson narrates this wonderful journey through Africa's ancient, feudal, and recent past by giving the viewer both a sense of history and a critical analysis of that history. Since the era of modern slavery, Africa has been seen as the "dark" continent. This series illustrates that the African peoples - past and present - are vibrant and have made many contributions to global culture.

There are three parts to this course. Students are required to participate in all three: 1) watch the series, 2) read four books and turn in book reports and 3) write a research paper. The goal of this course is to give the students different ways of knowing Africa while at the same time sharpening their analytical skills. The hope is that they will not only gain a deeper understanding of the African past but a better ability to understand contemporary African issues.

STUDENT EVALUATION

1) Four Book Reports 50% of grade
2) Research Paper 50% of grade