

CRP 4700/6700 Issues in African Development

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2 Credit Hours

Thursdays, 2:30–4:00 PM, G08 Uris Hall

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The **Issues in African Development Seminar Series** examines critical concerns in contemporary Africa using a different theme each semester. The seminars provide a forum for participants to explore alternative perspectives and exchange ideas. They are also a focal activity for students and faculty interested in African development.

Students enrolled in the course for credit must attend **10 out of the 12 seminar** discussions. Active participation is encouraged during seminar discussions. Enrolled students must submit a **10-page evaluative paper** of the seminar. Students may discuss questions related to the theme, choosing a topic from among those discussed in the seminar series, or alternatively give a general overview of the series in terms of lessons learned, etc. Specific examples from the seminar presentations are encouraged. The course is a two-credit hour course and is graded S/U.

Schedule of Presentations:

August 31	An Overview of China's Engagement with Africa <i>David Shinn</i> , Adjunct Professor, Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University
September 7	Words Matter: Rhetoric vs. Reality in China-Africa Relations <i>Jessica Achberger</i> , Adjunct Assistant Professor, History, Michigan State University
September 14	The History of China's Involvement in Africa: A Reflection of China's Own Development <i>Jean Kachiga</i> , Assistant Professor, Political Science & International Studies, SUNY Brockport
September 21	Chinese Migrants in Africa: Preliminary Social, Political, and Economic Impacts <i>Yoon Jung Park</i> , Adjunct Professor, African Studies Program, Georgetown University
September 28	Ports and Fish: What China's Ocean Policy Means for African Maritime Security <i>Tabitha Grace Mallory</i> , Affiliate Faculty, Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies, University of Washington
October 12	China-Africa Dispute Settlement: Law, Economics and the Culture of Arbitration <i>Won Kidane</i> , Associate Professor, School of Law, Seattle University
October 19	From Knowledge Transfers to Power Projection: The Impact of Professionalization Training on China-Africa Relations <i>Lina Benabdallah</i> , Assistant Professor, Political Science, Wake Forest University
October 26	Edge of Capital: Chinese Garment Production in South Africa <i>Liang Xu</i> , Assistant Professor, School of International Studies, Peking University
November 2	How African Countries can Capitalize on their Partnerships with China <i>Nama Ouattara</i> , Adjunct Professor, Economics, George Washington University
November 9	Changing Chinese Financing Models for Infrastructure Projects in Africa: Evidence from Kenya and DR Congo <i>Youyi Zhang</i> , Ph.D. Candidate, Government, Cornell University

November 16	Constructing Africa: Chinese Investment, Infrastructure Deficits, and Development <i>Olufunmilayo Arewa, Professor of Law and Anthropology; Director, Center for African Business, Law, & Entrepreneurship, University of California, Irvine School of Law</i>
November 30	Student Panel Reflection and Discussion