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“Chinese Aid to Africa: a Case Study in Rwanda”

Monday, January 30
Walter H. Sangree (University of Rochester)
“Soul Allocation and Patrilineality: Traditional Irigwe (Nigeria) Conjugal and Parenthood Rites”

Monday, February 6
Christa Clarke (Newark Museum of Art)
“Curating a Continent: African Art at the Newark Museum”

Monday, February 13
Victor Manfredi (Boston University)
“Before Wazobia; Ominigbon and polyglot culture in medieval 9ja”

Monday, February 20
Holiday - No seminar

Monday, February 27
Roger Claude Liwanga

Monday, March 5
Houchang E. Chehabi (Boston University)
“The Discreet Relationship: Iran and South Africa in the Apartheid Era”

Monday, March 12
Spring recess

Monday, March 19
Christopher B. M . Mugimu (Makerere University)
“Best practices of incorporating effective pedagogical strategies in HIV/AIDS materials in Teacher Education in Africa”

Monday, March 26
Eyamba G. Bokamba (U. of Illinois @Urbana-Champaign)
“The Geopolitics of the Congo”

Monday, April 2
Daivi Rodima-Taylor (Boston University)
“Money, Growth, and Mutual Help in Tanzania: African Savings and Credit Revisited”

Monday, April 9
Douglas L. Wheeler (University of New Hampshire)
“Rediscovering Lusophone African History, one archive at a time”

Monday, April 16
Holiday - No seminar

Monday, April 23
Katrien Pype (KUL-MIT)
“Risk and Reciprocity in Kinshasa's News World”

Monday, April 30
Jeanne Koopman (Boston University)
“Land Grabs, Family Farms, and Food Security in Senegal”