

FLAGSHIP FACULTY-LED STUDY ABROAD PROGRAM

NAIROBI AND MOMBASA KENYA

Department of World Languages and Cultures

COURSE INFORMATION

Course Title: SWAH 890 Study Abroad: Language in National Development in Kenya

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Course Description: The course is offered in English with an introduction to Swahili. Language in National Development is an important course that investigates Africa's linguistic situation. It investigates multilingualism in Africa and the impact of colonialism and colonial policies on Africa's indigenous languages. It further investigates the important role that language plays in bringing about national development. Questions such as what the legitimate languages of African people and what languages are valorized are asked. Students will be expected to investigate the languages that are used in different domains such as the economy, education, judiciary, healthcare, agriculture, informal sector, etc. to make a case for the local languages. Because of the importance of youths in Africa, students will be expected to observe and interact with young people to understand their linguistic choices and their role in national development.



FACULTY LEAD BIO



DR. LEONARD MUAKA

Dr. Leonard Muaka is an accomplished linguist, researcher, academic leader, professor of Swahili and experienced study abroad leader. His research focuses on African languages, language acquisition, youth languages, and sociolinguistics in general.

PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

| Number of Credit Hours | Enrollment Cap | <u>Total Program Fee</u> | Program Fees | Course Restrictions | Teaching Schedule |
|------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|---|------------------------------------|---|
| 3 | 10 | \$4,317 | Non Refundable Deposit: \$600 Program Fee: \$3,717 | Approval from instructor required. | 2:10pm 3:30pm T Locke Hall 304 F2F Lecture |