



***Southeastern Regional Seminar in African Studies (SERSAS)
Fall 2012 Meeting, 19-20 October***

Armstrong Atlantic State University, Savannah, Georgia, USA

Co-Hosted by Georgia Southern University, Statesboro

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*All Events: University Hall 157, Armstrong Atlantic State University
(University Hall is Building 14 on the map)*

Conference Registration and SERSAS Dues: \$20 @ Conference

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SERSAS Home Page: <http://www.ecu.edu/african/sersas/homepage.htm>

Friday, 19 October 2012

7:00 p.m.: Welcome Reception: Comments from Dr. Daniel Skidmore-Hess, Interim Chair, Department of Criminal Justice, Social and Political Science, Armstrong Atlantic State University

Saturday, 20 October, 2012

8:00-8:30: Coffee and Mingling

8:30-8:45: Introductions and Welcome: Dr. Daniel Skidmore-Hess, Interim Chair, Department of Criminal Justice, Social and Political Science, Armstrong Atlantic State University

8:45-10:30: **Session I, Human Rights and Resistance**

Chair: Joshua Azriel, Kennesaw State University

"The Effectiveness of the South Africa Human Rights Commission in Resolving Hate Speech Controversies," Joshua Azriel, Kennesaw State University

"Political and Human Rights of Nigerian Journalists," Farooq Kperogi, Kennesaw State University

"The Effectiveness of Gacaca Courts in Post-Genocide Rwanda," Birthe Reimers, Kennesaw State University

"Going Beyond Consensus: African Human and Peoples Rights Charter Practice," Makda Maru, Kennesaw State University

Discussant: George Clay Kieh, Jr., University of West Georgia

10:30-10:45: Break

10:45-12:15: **Session II, Children, Women, Resistance and the Mines**

Chair: Anta Sane, Howard University

"Masista, Motherhood and Modalities of Resistance in Zanzibar and Tanzania, 1860-present," Andreana Prichard, University of Oklahoma

"Women, Clothing and Politics in Senegal in the 1940s and 1950s," Dior Konaté, South Carolina State University

"The Ongoing Quest for Gender Mainstreaming in Senegalese Politics: Myth or Reality?" Anta Sane, Howard University

Discussant: Cathy Skidmore-Hess, Georgia Southern University

12:15-1:15: Lunch and Business Meeting

1:15-3:45: Session III, Africa, America and Resistance Across the Atlantic World

Panel Chair: Ken Wilburn, East Carolina University

"The Asylum-Migration Nexus: Can Motivations Shape the Concept of Coercion? The Sudanese Transit Case," José da Cruz, Armstrong Atlantic State University and Ester Serra Mingot, University of Stavanger, Norway

**"Nuclear Cooperation between Apartheid South Africa and America,"
Javan Frazier, Middle Georgia College**

**"Social Movements, Resistance and the Crisis of Underdevelopment in Liberia,"
George Klay Kieh, Jr., University of West Georgia**

**"Invoking Bhabha to Reveal Resistance in the African Colonial Architecture of
Ghana," Courtney Micots, Elon University**

Discussant: Lyn Graybill, Independent Scholar

3:45-4:00 Break

**4:00-5:00: Roundtable Discussion, Social Justice in Africa:
New lessons from Old Tactics in the Case of Lonmin in South Africa**

Panelists:

Lyn Grabill, Independent Scholar

George Klay Kieh, Jr., University of West Georgia

Aran MacKinnon, Georgia College

Cathy Skidmore-Hess, Georgia Southern University

Ken Wilburn, East Carolina University