

Readings for Spring 2025

This semester we are reading Walter Rodney's *How Europe Underdeveloped Africa* (originally published 1972; we will read the Verso edition, 2018). We will read the whole book. That is roughly 346 pages (not including the front and end materials). We will do this reading over 13 weeks (the first of the 14 weeks of the course is for a general introductory discussion). So, we will try to average roughly 27 pages per week, which is roughly 4 pages of reading a day, though some weeks will be a little more than that, some a little less.

Week	Pages	To be read by	Content	Pp./day (roughly)
2	1–34	February 21	"1. Some Questions on Development"	5
3	35–57	February 28	"2. To Fifteenth Century" (1/2)	3.5
4	57–84	March 7	"2. To Fifteenth Century" (2/2)	4
5	85–105	March 14	"3. Africa's Contribution to Eur Capitalism, Pre-Colonization"	3
6	106–133	March 21	"4. Eur & Roots of African Underdevelopment to 1885" (1/3)	3.5
7	133–151	March 28	"4. Eur & Roots of African Underdevelopment to 1885" (2/3)	3
8	151–174	April 4	"4. Eur & Roots of African Underdevelopment to 1885" (3/3)	3
9	175–207	April 11	"5. Africa's Contrib to Cap'ist Dev, Colonial Period" (1/2)	4.5
10	207–244	April 18	"5. Africa's Contrib to Cap'ist Dev, Colonial Period" (2/2)	5.5
11	245–270	April 25	"6. Colonialism as Sys for Underdev'ing Africa" (1/4)	3.5
12	270–290	May 2	"6. Colonialism as Sys for Underdev'ing Africa" (2/4)	3
13	290–320	May 9	"6. Colonialism as Sys for Underdev'ing Africa" (3/4)	4.5
14	320–346	May 16	"6. Colonialism as Sys for Underdev'ing Africa" (4/4)	4