KENYA’S MAU MAU REBELLION, 1952-60

MASTER READING LIST, 2016

Not all of the titles listed here are available in the Warwick library, but the list is provided in order to give a wider indication of the available literature. It will be essential for those students who choose to write dissertations related to the Special Subject to explore this list, but all students will need to broaden their reading and deepen their understanding from this list before writing any essay for this course.

KEY TEXTS

You may find it useful to purchase at least one of these titles as a reference work. Each surveys the entire period of the rebellion. They are all available in paperback editions:


Essential Bibliographical guide


Secondary works


Lamb, Geoff. *Peasant Politics: Conflict and Development in Murang'a* (Lewes: Julian Friedmann, 1974).


Lewis, Joana. “Daddy wouldn’t buy me a Mau Mau: the British popular press and the demoralization of empire.” In E.S. Atieno Odhiambo and John Lonsdale (eds),...


Osborne, Myles. ‘The rooting out of Mau Mau from the minds of the Kikuyu is a formidable task; propaganda and the Mau Mau war.’ *Journal of African History* 56 (2015), 77-97.


Robertson, Claire. ‘The economic roots of African women’s political participation.’ In Muna Ndulo and Margaret Grieco (eds), *Power, Gender and Social Change in Africa*, 77-93 (Newcastle: Cambridge Scholars Pubs, 2009).


Slaughter, Joseph R. ‘Master plans: designing (national) allegories of urban space and metropolitan subjects for post-colonial Kenya.’ *Research in African Literatures*


Weiner, Martin J. *An Empire on Trial: Race, Murder and Justice Under British Rule* (Cambridge; Cambridge University Press, 2008).


**Memoirs**


**Fiction**


**Official publications (published documents)**


Kenya Gazette. [https://dcr.emd.vt.edu/vital/access/manager/index](https://dcr.emd.vt.edu/vital/access/manager/index)

Official publication with all government notices from the period, including declarations of laws, collective punishments, executions, etc etc.

**Newspaper articles**


**Film, Radio broadcasts & podcasts**


British Pathe. [www.britishpathe.com](http://www.britishpathe.com)

Newsreels on Kenya, and still photographs, from the period 1945 to 1963