

SOCI 498 Mali Development

Fall 2008 and J-Term 2009

Semester Plan – will be adjusted as needed as semester progresses

Week	Meeting Date	Focus	Readings	Other
1	04 Sept	Immersion in Mali Images		Assessment questionnaires
2	11 Sept	Introduction to Development and Foreign Aid in Africa	Sachs: Introduction and Chp. 3 (Recommended: Mali Poverty Reduction Strategy Paper; Cheru: "Building and Supporting PRSPs in Africa")	Joint meeting Distribute Millennium Goals; Health preparation
3	D/T change Week of 15 Sept	African Cheetahs: A New Paradigm	Calderisi: Introduction Chp. 1 and 12; Ayittey: Chp. 10	Joint meeting;
4	25 Sept	Seed Potatoes and Introducing Agricultural Change	Aissata Thera's Thesis and 3-year Plan	
5	02 Oct	Social Impact Assessment	Handouts	In class construction of SIA
6	D/T change Week of 06 Oct	Mali Overview: French Students' Presentation – and Trip Preparation	Dogon Preparation – look documents posted and begin your own search	Joint meeting Trip Preparation: Visas, International Student IDs
7	16 Oct	The New Paradigm Continued	Easterly: Chp. 1 and 3; Farmer First reading	Joint meeting
8		Dogon Preparation	Dogon Preparation	
	30 Oct tentative	Mali Night – a dinner with all current team members, alumni of the Mali Project and local Malian friends		Sidy Ba will be here
9	D/T change Week of 27 Oct	Dogon Overview: Sociology Students' Presentation – and Trip Preparation		Joint meeting Trip Preparation: Packing, Health and Cultural Prep
10	06 Nov	Questionnaire construction	Handouts	Seek Network Feedback
11	13 Nov	Finalize questionnaire for French Students		
12	20 Nov	Doing Research in rural Mali	Dettwyler – entire book	
13	27 Nov	No class -Thanksgiving		
14	D/T change Week of 01 Dec	Holistic Approaches and Holistic Management – and Trip Preparation	Savory: Chp. 1, 9, and 25	Joint Meeting Finalizing Trip Preparation
15	11 Dec	Finalize Questionnaire & Borko plan		

