

Call for Contributions

Title: *The Routledge Handbook of Decolonisation*

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Synopsis of Project

The 21st century can be described as the age of resurgent and insurgent decolonization at a planetary scale. This commissioned Handbook seeks to provide an overview of the topical subject of decolonization/decoloniality, survey of the state of the art of the field of decolonization/decoloniality, cutting edge areas of concern (existential, structural, systemic, institutional, ecological and epistemic), current debates, questions and controversies. It is organised into themes and seeks to draw from an international pool as well as a mix of established academics, emerging scholars, junior scholars and activists. This handbook is curated as a key resource-book on decolonisation/decoloniality with an international appeal that is excessively wide covering all regions of the world, from Africa, Asia (India, Korea, Taiwan, China, Japan) Latin America, the United States, Canada, Europe Australia to the rest of the world. The premise of the proposed Handbook is that of a rich collection of thoughts from a broad spectrum of knowledge traditions on the subject colonisation, colonialism, coloniality as well as decolonisation and decoloniality. The *Routledge Handbook on Decolonization* has three main objectives underpin the Handbook:

- To provide a detailed overview on the meanings and dimensions of decolonization across space and time;
- To map out the different types of the ontologies, epistemologies, methodologies and theories that drive the subject, agenda and study of decolonization;
- To sketch cutting-edge issues that an inquiry into decolonization has reopened for future research avenues and innovative imaginations of the world.

To accommodate as many as possible of the interventions, the submissions must be no more than 5000 words.

Proposed Structure

Introduction: Colonialism/Coloniality and Decolonization/Decoloniality

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Part 1: History and Systems

1. Racism
2. Enslavement
3. Colonialism
4. Settler colonialism
5. Coloniality
6. Heteropatriarchal sexism
7. Racial Capitalism

Part 2: Structures and Institutions

8. Plantation
9. Colony
10. Nation-State
11. Factory/Industry
12. Reservations and Indentureship
13. Prisons
14. Digital/Virtual Space

Part 3: Geographies of Blackness

15. Black Atlantic
16. Black Pacific
17. African Diaspora
18. Global Blackness
19. Black Mediterranean
20. Black Europe

Part 4: Reworlding from the Global South

21. Anticolonial Revolutions
22. Pan-Africanism
23. Third World Project
24. Dewesternization

Part 5: Indigenous People/ First Nations

25. Critique of Paradigm of Discovery
26. Genocides
27. Land
28. Sovereignty
29. Knowledge, language and culture
30. Identity, belonging and citizenship

Part 6: Figures/Theorists of Decolonization

31. Angela Davis, Marcus Garvey, Ngugi wa Thiong'o, Cheikh Anta Diop, Kwame Nkrumah, Steve Biko, Gloria Anzaldua, Amilcar Cabral, Thomas Sankara, Linda Thuwai Smith, Frantz Fanon, Julius Nyerere, Sylvia Wynter, Denise da Silva, Audre Lorde, Toni Morrison, Mahatma Gandhi, Ambedkar, Tom Mboya, Kenneth Kaunda, Enrique Dussel, Anibal Quijano, Cedric Robinson, Maria Lugones, Boaventura de Sousa Santos, Henry Paget, Valentine Y. Mudimbe, Ifi Amadiume, Toyin Falola, Walter D. Mignolo, Lewis R. Gordon, Oyeronke Oyewumi, Molefi Asante, Arturo Escobar, bell hooks, Boaventura des Sousa Santos, Walter Rodney, Theophile Obenga, Samir Amin, Mahmood Mamdani, Samora Machel, Leopold Sedar Senghor, Gamal Abdel Nasser, Bernard Magubane, Archie Mafeje, Claude Ake, Issa G. Shivji, and many others (**we need to recover more indigenous decolonial thinkers and theorists**).

Part 7: Decolonial Schools of Thought

32. Black Radical Tradition
33. Modernity/Coloniality School
34. Africana Existential Philosophy
35. African Decolonization Thought
36. Afrocentricity
37. Caribbean Traditions
38. Subaltern Studies
39. Kemetic Tradition

Part 8: Decolonizing Knowledge

40. De-eurocentrism
41. De-canonization
42. Epistemologies of the South
43. Decolonizing Methodology
44. Decolonizing Pedagogy

Part 9: Decolonial Grammars of Liberation

45. Abolition
46. Indigenization
47. Africanization
48. Decoloniality
49. Subalternity
50. Decolonial Feminism
51. Afro-feminism
52. Nego-feminism

Part 10: Alternative Visions of Life

53. Ubuntu
54. Bon vivir
55. Phachamama
(we are happy to include more)

Part 10: Contemporary Decolonial Social Movements

56. Black Lives Matter Movements
57. Rhodes Must Fall Movements
58. Indigenous People's Movements
59. Feminist Movements
60. Environmental Movements
- 60 LGBTQ+1 Movements

Part 11: Decolonial Horizons

61. Pluriversality
62. Transmodernity
- 63.** Transversity
64. Afrotopia

Competing Titles: So far there is no competing title for this Handbook in terms of its expansiveness of scope and comprehensiveness of issues covered.

Timetable

Nov-December 2022:	Approach contributors
31 April 2023:	Deadline for submission of abstracts
June – July 2023:	Review and acceptance of abstracts and contributors' contracts
30 January 2024:	Contributors' deadline to submit first draft of MS
February 2024 to April 2024:	Review and feedback on received chapters by editors
May-July 2024:	Authors submit revised versions of MS
August-October 2023:	Editors put together the draft Routledge Handbook
30 November 2024:	Submission of the Handbook to the publisher

