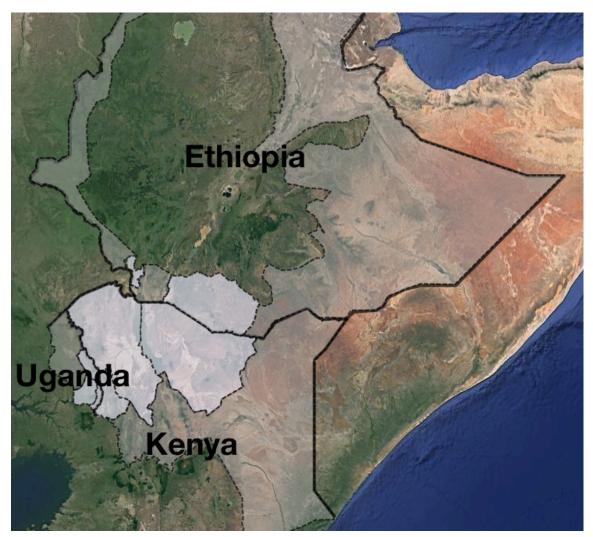
# POLS 227 Africa in World Politics

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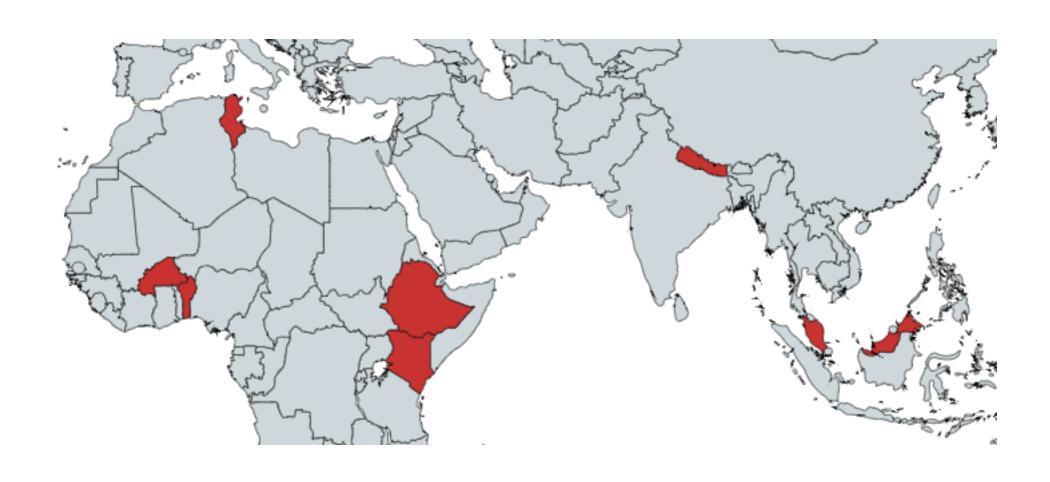
Introduction to the course Populism, inequality, and the value of comparative analysis

# Welcome to POLS 227!

## Political peripheries: the drylands of East Africa and the Horn



## Redistribution of political power



### Rationale for the course



Los Angeles Times

WORLD & NATION

Ethnic violence in Ethiopia has forced nearly 3 million people from their homes



Demonstrators protest the deaths of 23 people in ethnic violence in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, in September 2018. (Maheder Haileselassie Tadese / AFP/Getty Images)

LATEST WORLD-NATION

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Bahamas prime minister says Hurricane Dorian has caused at least five deaths

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Newsletter: In the path of Dorian's destruction

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Pastor's kidnapping underscores threat to migrants returned to Mexican border towns
Sep. 2, 2019

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At this Florida camp, believers can ask for healing or a chat with the dead

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#### Course outline

- Introduction: connections
- Recent trends
- Divide and rule
- Weapons of the weak

## The danger of single stories



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D9Ihs241zeg

## Assignments

<ul> <li>Case study presentation 5%</li> </ul>	$\sqrt{0}$
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- Case study paper 10%
- Research proposal 5%
- Research essay:
  - Initial draft 10%
  - Final draft 10%

### Other assessment

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<ul> <li>Quizzes</li> </ul>	5%
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- Peer review 10%
- Final exam:
  - In-class component 15%
  - Out-of-class component 15%

