

RESPONSES TO KONY 2012



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The video launching a campaign to arrest the Joseph Kony, Ugandan leader of the Lord's Resistance Army, has rapidly spread via the Internet. The video and the organization that produced it, Invisible Children, just as quickly came under international scrutiny. Join Professors Peter Leman and Leslie Hadfield, two Africanist scholars at BYU, in a discussion on the situation in Africa and various responses to the Kony 2012 campaign: How have Africans responded? What does this tell us about our perceptions of Africa? What can BYU students do?

Leslie Hadfield has studied South African liberation movements and the history of development in Africa. Hadfield is also a member of a scholarly association that has been raising awareness about responses to the Invisible Children campaign.

Peter Leman specializes in African literature. Leman served an LDS mission in Uganda (1997–99), when the conflict with the Lord's Resistance Army was particularly intense. He has since closely followed and conducted research into the nature and origins of this particular conflict.