

Decolonize Movement – 2016 - 2019

1. The original decolonization movement

The roots go back to **anti colonial independence movements of the 19th and early 20th centuries**. Leaders such as **Mahatma Gandhi, W. E. B. Du Bois, Marcus Garvey, Ho Chi Minh, Kwame Nkrumah, Jomo Kenyatta, and others** contributed to movements seeking independence from European empires.

The intellectual tradition became especially influential after World War II.

2. Aimé Césaire and Frantz Fanon

Two particularly important intellectual figures were **Aimé Césaire** and **Frantz Fanon**.

Aimé Césaire developed the concept of **Négritude** and wrote *Discourse on Colonialism*, originally published in 1950. His work attacked European colonialism and its claims of a “civilizing mission.”

Frantz Fanon became one of the most influential theorists of modern decolonization. His *Black Skin, White Masks* (1952) and *The Wretched of the Earth* (1961) examined colonialism, race, psychology, revolutionary struggle, and the relationship between colonizer and colonized.

Fanon's influence became enormous among later academics and activists.

3. The modern “decolonize” movement

The modern American/Western usage of “decolonize” is considerably newer. It developed through postcolonial studies, critical race scholarship, Indigenous activism, intersectional activism, and academic theories concerning “coloniality” and Western institutions.

There are also specific organizations that use the term. For example, Decolonize This Place emerged in New York in 2016 and was facilitated by the MTL+ Collective, involving artists and activists including Amin Husain and Nitasha Dhillon. ← These are *foreign* “modern colonial” activists.

Anti colonial independence movements → Césaire/Négritude → Fanon → postcolonial theory → Edward Said → decolonial theory → contemporary activist/academic “decolonize” movements.

Understanding:

The movement evolved into a genocidal and Holocaust associated ideology, with the 2019 pandemic serving as a major catalyst for its expansion and acceleration.

Decolonization, in its essence, seeks to “remove a colony” and replace it with another.

They may pretend that it means something else, but it really is the forfeiture of one culture for another. Many “decolonize” leaders are not actually Native American, but rather come from other places around the world. It is being led by a “global movement,” not a native one. It “intersects” and attempts to pretend that it is Native American, and this is precisely what a Trojan horse does. The movements are far too radical and far too harmful to the American people.