



THE MIDDLE EAST INSTITUTE FALL 2022 COURSE LIST

The Middle East Institute Course Bulletin is intended to provide a listing of Middle East and North Africa related courses at Columbia University. The following courses fulfill the regional course requirements for the Masters in Islamic Studies, the Middle East Graduate Certificate, and the SIPA Regional Specialization. Further course details may be found by visiting the appropriate department's website.

While we try to include all courses in these categories, some course information is posted or adjusted after the bulletin has been assembled. We will be updating the list as we approach the new semester, however, for the most up-to-date information on courses students should refer to the Columbia [course directory](#). *Please consult the online Directory of Classes for information on course modality.*

For approval of courses not listed, which you believe may fulfill regional requirements, please contact the Middle East Specialization Coordinator, Astrid Benedek, at amb49@columbia.edu.

LANGUAGE COURSES

For information on Arabic, Armenian, Hebrew, Persian or Turkish language courses or other general questions on Middle East languages, please see MEI's website. Placement exams for entrance to language courses beyond the introductory year are held at the beginning of each semester.

GRADUATE LEVEL COURSES

Course Title	Course Code	Call#	Cr	Instructor	Day & Time
ANTHROPOLOGY					
The Ancient Empires	ANHI GU4001	10688	3	Terence N D'Altroy	TR 11:40am-12:55pm
Modern State/Colonial Subject	ANME GU6406	11076	3	Mahmood Mamdani	W 12:10pm-2:00pm
Written Culture	ANTH GU4172	10261	3	Brinkley Messick	M 10:10am - 12:00pm
ARCHITECTURE					
The Arab City in Film	ARCH A6904	12357	3	Yasser Elsheshtawy	R 11:00am - 1:00pm
CLASSICS					
Society & Environment in the Ancient Med	CLAS GU4440	00275	4	Ellen Morris	MW 6:10pm-7:25pm
COMPARATIVE LITERATURE					
Arabic Autobiography Global Dimensions	CPME GU4226	11837	4	Muhsin Al-Musawi	R 2:10pm-4:00pm
Blood/Lust: Early Mod Medit	CPLS GR6454	11607	3	Patricia E Grieve	W 2:10pm-4:00pm
The Maghreb in Transition: Society & Cul	CPFR GU4321	10717	3	Madeleine Dobie	T 2:10pm-4:00pm
Mediterranean Humanities I	CPIA GU4499	15472	3	Pier Mattia Tommasino	W 2:10pm-4:00pm
HISTORY					
Crucibles of Modernity: Urban Space and	HIST GU4213	15477	4	Marcel Garbos	W 12:10pm-2:00pm
Graduate Lecture: History of the Mod Middle East	HIST GR6998	15085	4	Rashid I Khalidi	TBD
Mod Arab Intellectual History	HIST GU4714	13381	4	Marwa Elshakry	W 2:10pm-4:00pm
Reading Orientalism from the Orient	HIST GR8731	11200	4	Zeynep Celik	M 2:10pm-4:00pm
US, Mid East & the Cold War	HIST GR8712	10616	4	Rashid I Khalidi	T 2:10pm-4:00pm

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**INSTITUTE FOR ISRAEL &
JEWISH STUDIES**

[Topics in Israeli Cinema](#) IIJS GU4145 10097 3 Stuart Weinstock T 10:00am-1:45pm

ISLAMIC CULTURE STUDIES

[Foundation to Islamic Studies and
Muslim Societies](#) ISCS GR5000 15476 4 Kathryn Spellman Poots T 10:10am-12:00pm

LAW

[Reading Group on Palestine and the
Law](#) Law L8495 17667 1 Amber Baylor M 1:20pm-2:40pm

**MIDDLE EASTERN, SOUTH
ASIAN AND AFRICAN STUDIES**

[Debates on Capitalism](#) MDES GU4151 11805 4 Elleni Zeleke W 2:10pm-4:00pm

[Familiar and Foreign: Armenians,
Kurds, an](#) MDES GU4942 18297 4 Alison Vacca T 2:10pm-4:00pm

[Forms and Practices of Islamic
Knowledge](#) MDES GR5222 16700 4 Islam Dayeh M 4:10pm-6:00pm

[From Codex to eBook:
Transmission of Tex](#) MDES GU4021 18777 4 Elaine Van Dalen W 10:10am-12:00pm

[Reading Politics and Law in
Classical Arab](#) MDES GR6232 11803 4 Wael Hallaq W 4:10pm-6:00pm

[Stdy Gen/Sexuality-Arab World](#) MDES GR8280 11791 4 Joseph A Massad T 4:10pm-6:00pm

[Theory and Methods I](#) MDES GR5000 10803 4 Mahmood Mamdani T 10:10am-12:00pm

[War, Genocide & Aftermath
Comp Perspectiv](#) MDES GU4357 14887 4 Khatchig Mouradian M 4:10pm-6:00pm

MUSIC

[New Music and Decolonization](#) MUS GR6114 10500 3 George Lewis R 10:10am-12:00pm

POLITICAL SCIENCE

[Global Energy: Security/Geopol](#) POLI GU4814 12759 3 Albert Bininachvili MW 10:10am-11:25am

[Nat Security Strat of Mid East](#) POLI GU4845 12750 4 Charles D Freilich W 6:10pm-8:00pm

RELIGION

[Dreams](#) RELI GU4223 12876 4 Katherine Ewing W 12:10pm-2:00pm

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Islam in Popular Culture	RELI GU4619	00286	4	Najam I Haider	T 4:10pm-6:00pm
Theor-Transmission/Commun Formn	RELI GR9330	00645	4	Rachel McDermott	W 2:10pm-4:00pm
SIPA					
Middle East Conflicts & Global Security	REGN U6719	16547	3	Naomi Weinberger	R 6:10pm-8:00pm
Geopolitics of Oil and Natural Gas	INAF U6680	16644	3	Natasha Udensiva	T 11:00am-12:50pm
Infrastructure Investment and Developmen	INAF U6051	16527	1.5	Joel Moser	M 2:10pm-4:00pm
Modern Urban Terrorism	INAF U6388	16004	3	Mitchell D. Silber	M 6:10pm-8:00pm
Security and International Politics of t	REGN U6660	16710	3	Lawrence G Potter	W 2:10pm-4:00pm
SOCIOLOGY					
Israeli Society: Special Topics	SOCI GR6160	11157	3	Yinon Cohen	R 10:10am-12:00pm

UNDERGRADUATE LEVEL COURSES

Course Title	Course Code	Call#	Cr	Instructor	Day & Time
ANTHROPOLOGY					
The Interpretation of Culture	ANTH UN1002	10256	3	Naor H Ben-Yehoyada	MW 10:10am-11:25am
CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF ETHNICITY AND RACE					
Post 9/11 Immigration Policies	CSER UN3490	13672	4	Elizabeth Ouyang	R 10:10am-12:00pm
Colonization/Decolonization	CSER UN3928	11569	4	Karl Jacoby	T 10:10am-12:00pm
Colonization/Decolonization	CSER UN3928	11570	4	Natasha J Lightfoot	T 2:10PM-4:10PM
CLASSICS AND ANCIENT STUDIES					
Egypt in Classical World	CCIV UN2441	00272	4	Ellen Morris	TR 1:10pm-2:25pm

COMPARATIVE LITERATURE

Arabic Prison Writing	CLME UN3928	11829	3	Muhsin Al-Musawi	W 2:10PM-4:00PM
Staging the Early Mod Mediterr	CPLS UN3454	11066	4	Patricia E Grieve	R 12:10PM-2:00PM

FRENCH

Women Writers of Contemporary Middle Eas	FREN BC3104	00084	3	Melanie Heydari	MW 11:40am-12:55pm
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HISTORY

Anc Hist-Mesopotamia & Asia Minor	HIST UN1002	10642	4	Marc Van de Mieroop	TR 4:10pm-5:25pm
History of The Modern Middle East	HIST UN2719	10614	4	Rashid I Khalidi	TR 10:10AM-11:25AM
The Islamic City	HIST UN3739	11661	4	Zeynep Çelik	M 2:10PM-4:00PM

MIDDLE EASTERN, SOUTH ASIAN AND AFRICAN STUDIES

Ancient Near Eastern Literature	MDES UN2399	00365	4	Nathanael P Shelley	T 3:30PM-5:20PM
Arts of Islam. 700-1000 CE	AHUM UN2800	12553	4	Avinoam Shalem	MW 4:10PM - 5:25PM
Contemp Culture in Arab World	MDES UN3920	11799	3	Joseph A Massad	W 4:10pm-6:00pm
Cntrl Questions in Islamic Law	MDES UN3923	11802	3	Wael Hallaq	T 4:10PM-6:00PM
Colloquium on Major Texts	AHUM UN1399	10804	4	Sarah bin Tyeer	T 4:10PM-6:00PM
Colloquium on Major Texts	AHUM UN1399	00375	4	Nathanael P Shelley	W 1:10PM-3:00PM
Finding Happiness: Readings in Arab-Islam	MDES UN2012	12548	4	Sarah bin Tyeer	TR 11:40am-12:55pm
Game of Thrones: On Epics and Empires	MDES UN1030	10802	4	Hamid Dabashi	TR 10:10AM-11:25AM
Intro to Islamic Civilization	ASCM UN2003	11893	4	Alison Vacca	MW 10:10am-11:25am
South Asia at the Crossroads of Empires	MDES UN2042	10885	3	Isabel Huacuja Alonso	MW 10:10am-11:25am
Theory and Culture	MDES UN3000	10801	4	Debashree Mukherjee	MW 1:10PM-2:25PM

RELIGION (BARNARD)

Islam	RELI UN2305	11623	4	Aziza Shanazarova	MW 4:10pm-5:25pm
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