



## THE MIDDLE EAST INSTITUTE FALL 2023 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](mailto: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
<b>ANTHROPOLOGY</b>					
<a href="#">The Ancient Empires</a>	ANHI GU4001	13434	3	Terence N D'Altroy	MW 11:40am-12:55pm
<a href="#">Islamic Law</a>	ANTH GU4282	10432	3	Brinkley Messick	M 10:10am-12:00pm
<a href="#">Modern State/Colonial Subject</a>	ANME GU6406	12905	3	Mahmood Mamdani	T 12:10pm-2:00pm
<b>ARCHITECTURE</b>					
<a href="#">The Arab City in Film</a>	ARCH A6904	10057	3	Yasser Elsheshtawy	R 11:00am-1:00pm
<b>ART HISTORY</b>					
<a href="#">History, Heritage, Post-Disaster Preserv</a>	AHIS GR8811	12151	4	Zainab Bahrani Zeynep Celik	R 2:10pm-4:00pm
<a href="#">Modernity by Art: Materiality, Imaginati</a>	AHIS GU4581	18297	4	Kirsten L Scheid	R 10:10am-12:00pm
<b>COMPARATIVE LITERATURE</b>					
<a href="#">Arabic Autobiography Global Dimensions</a>	CPME GU4226	10661	4	Muhsin Al-Musawi	W 2:10pm-4:00pm
<a href="#">Biography and Microhistory</a>	CLIT GU4070	13621	3	Konstantia Zanou	M10:10am-12:00pm
<a href="#">Colonialism</a>	CLME GR6020	10662	4	Timothy Mitchell	W 6:10pm-8:00pm
<a href="#">East/West Frametale Narratives</a>	CPLS GR6333	12603	3	Patricia E Grieve	W 2:10pm-4:00pm
<a href="#">Holocaust Literature: Critical Thinking</a>	CLSL GU4012	14134	3	Offer Dynes	W 4:10pm-6:00pm
<a href="#">Mediterranean Humanities I</a>	CPIA GU4499	12526	3	Pier Mattia Tommasino	W 12:10pm-2:00pm
<a href="#">Topics in Contemporary Critical Theory</a>	CLSO GU4700	13462	4	Stathis Gourgouris	M 1:10pm-3:40pm
<b>ENGLISH</b>					
<a href="#">New Classicism</a>	ENGL GR6282	11909	4	Lauren E Robertson	T 12:10pm-2:00pm

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**FRENCH**

[The Politics of Memory, Remembrance, Eth](#) CLFR GU4521 11187 3 Emmanuel Kattan T 2:10pm-4:00pm

**GLOBAL THOUGHT**

[Globalization & the Problems of World Orde](#) CGLT GR6730 14116 3 Yahya K Tajbakhsh W 2:10pm-4:00pm

**HISTORY**

[The Black Sea in History](#) HIST GU4218 10383 4 Catherine Evtuhov M 4:10pm-6:00pm

[Graduate Lecture - History of the Mod Middle East](#) HIST GR6998 14155 4 Rashid I Khalidi TBA

[Margins of Historiography](#) HIST GU4121 10375 4 Zeynep Celik M 2:10pm-4:00pm  
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[Occult in the Muslim Past](#) HIST GU4711 10380 4 Tunc Sen W 10:10am-12:00pm

**ISLAMIC STUDIES**

[Foundation to Islamic Studies](#) ISCS GR5000 18162 4 Kathryn Spellman Poots T 10:10am-12:00pm

**INSTITUTE FOR ISRAEL & JEWISH STUDIES**

[Jewish Histories of the Modern Middle Ea](#) IIJS GU4148 16213 4 TBA W 2:10pm-4:00pm

[Topics in Israeli Cinema](#) IIJS GU4145 10728 3 Stuart J Weinstock W 10:00am-1:45pm

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

[Camera in the Tropics](#) MDES GR6625 10667 4 Debashree Mukherjee R 2:10pm-4:00pm

[Psychoanalysis, Identity, Cult](#) MDES GR8206 10669 4 Joseph A Massad T 4:10pm-6:00pm

[Readings in Sufi Texts](#) MDES GR6236 10671 4 Wael Hallaq W 4:10pm-6:00pm

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<a href="#">Theory and Methods I</a>	MDES GR5000	11046	4	Timothy Mitchell	T 10:10am-12:00pm
<a href="#">War, Genocide &amp; Aftermath Comp Perspectiv</a>	MDES GU4357	10903	4	Khatchig Mouradian	M 4:10pm-6:00pm
<a href="#">Gender, Sexuality, Religion, &amp; Power in India</a>	MDES GU4626	20734	4	Christine H Marrewa Karwoski	T 4:10pm-6:00pm

**MODERN EUROPEAN STUDIES**

<a href="#">Political Violence in 20C. Europe</a>	MEUS GR5001	12307	4	Luca Falciola	R 2:10pm-4:00pm
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**PHILOSOPHY**

<a href="#">Islamic Philosophy</a>	PHIL 4740	14108	3	Souleymane B Diagne	T 4:10pm-6:00pm
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**POLITICAL SCIENCE**

<a href="#">Nat Security Strat of Mid East</a>	POLI GU4845	13540	4	Charles D Freilich	T 10:10am-12:00pm
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**RELIGION**

<a href="#">Sufism</a>	RELI GU4325	12539	4	Aziza Shanazarova	M 6:10pm-8:00pm
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**SOCIOLOGY**

<a href="#">Israel and the Palestinians</a>	SOCI GR4801	10322	3	Yinon Cohen	T 2:10pm-4:00pm
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**SIPA**

<a href="#">Engaging Non-State Armed Groups: Lessons</a>	INAF U6348	17105	1.5	Adam Day	SU 10:00am-5:00pm 10/14 & 10/15
<a href="#">Gender, Conflict and Peacebuilding</a>	INAF U6361	17126	1.5	Sanam Naraghi-Anderlini	S 10:10am-5:00pm 9/9 & 9/16
<a href="#">Geopolitics of Oil and Natural Gas</a>	INAF U6680	17184	3	Natasha Udensiva	T 11:00am-12:50pm
<a href="#">Gulf Economic Statecraft &amp; the Energy Tr</a>	INAF U6324	17096	1.5	Karen E Young	M 2:10pm-4:00pm 9/11 - 10/23
<a href="#">International Humanitarian Law and Inter</a>	INAF U6490	17137	3	Horst Fischer	M 9:00am-10:50am
<a href="#">Middle East Conflicts &amp; Global Security</a>	REGN U6719	18037	3	Naomi Weinberger	R 6:10pm-8:00pm
<a href="#">Migration and Human Development</a>	INAF U6173	18020	3	Daniel Naujoks	T 11:00am-12:50pm

<a href="#">Modern Urban Terrorism</a>	INAF U6388	17123	3	Mitchell D Silber	M 6:10pm-8:00pm
<a href="#">Security and International Politics of t</a>	REGN U6660	17900	3	Lawrence G Potter	W 2:10pm-4:00pm

**UNDERGRADUATE LEVEL COURSES**

Course Title	Course Code	Call#	Cr	Instructor	Day & Time
<b>ANTHROPOLOGY</b>					
<a href="#">Archaeol Before the Bible</a>	ANTH UN3007	10098	3	Brian Boyd	TR 10:10am-11:25am
<a href="#">The Interpretation of Culture</a>	ANTH UN1002	10097	3	Naor H Ben-Yehoyada	MW 10:10am-11:25am
<b>ARCHITECTURE</b>					
<a href="#">Life Beyond Emergency: Domesticities of</a>	ARCH UN2530	00628	3	Anooradha I Siddiqui	TR 1:10pm-2:25pm
<b>CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF ETHNICITY AND RACE</b>					
<a href="#">Colonization/Decolonization</a>	CSER UN3928	10928	4	Manan Ahmed	T 2:10pm-4:00pm
<a href="#">Muslim Roots/Routes in the Americas</a>	CSER UN3971	10950	4	Bahia Munem	T 12:10pm-2:00pm
<a href="#">Post 9/11 Immigration Policies</a>	CSER UN3490	10952	4	Elizabeth Ouyang	R 10:10am-12:00pm
<b>CLASSICS AND ANCIENT STUDIES</b>					
<a href="#">Archaeology of Crisis: The Collapse of T</a>	CCIV BC3333	00289	3	Ellen Morris	TR 1:10pm-2:25pm
<b>COMPARATIVE LITERATURE</b>					
<a href="#">Arabic Literature as World Literature</a>	CLME UN3221	10663	4	Sarah Bin Tyeer	M 4:10pm-6:00pm
<a href="#">Arabic Prison Writing</a>	CLME UN3928	10660	3	Muhsin Al-Musawi	R 2:10pm-4:00pm
<a href="#">East/West Frametale Narratives</a>	CPLS UN3333	12611	4	Patricia E Grieve	R 12:10pm-2:00pm
<a href="#">The Ways of Ilm': Scholarly Traditions in the Classical Islamic World (700-1300)</a>	CLME GU4210	20666	4	Elaine Van Dalen	M 12:10pm-2:00pm

**FRENCH**

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[Women Writers of Contemporary Middle Eas](#) FREN BC3104 00223 3 Melanie Heydari TR 11:40am-12:55pm

**HISTORY**

[Anarchism: A Global History](#) HIST BC3692 00190 4 Jose Moya T 10:10am-12:00pm

[E Medit in the Late Bronze Age](#) HIST UN3930 10357 4 Marc Van de Mieroop R 4:10pm-6:00pm

[The Mughal Memoirs](#) HIST UN3803 13847 4 Manan Ahmed T 10:10am-12:00pm

[World Migration](#) HIST BC2980 00185 3 Jose Moya TR 8:40am-9:55am

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

[Ancient Near Eastern Literature](#) MDES UN2399 00811 4 Nathanael P Shelley T 4:10pm-6:00pm

[Contemp Culture in Arab World](#) MDES UN3920 10668 3 Joseph A Massad W 4:10pm-6:00pm

[Cntrl Questions in Islamic Law](#) MDES UN3923 10670 3 Wael Hallaq T 4:10pm-6:00pm

[Colloquium on Major Texts \(section 001\)](#) AHUM UN1399 00676 4 Matthew L Keegan W 2:10pm-4:00pm

[Colloquium on Major Texts \(section 002\)](#) AHUM UN1399 13236 4 Sarah Bin Tyeer T 4:10pm-6:00pm

[Game of Thrones: On Epics and Empires](#) MDES UN1030 10438 4 Hamid Dabashi TR 10:10AM-11:25AM

[Getting Crusaded](#) ACME BC2000 00747 4 Matthew L Keegan TR 1:10pm-2:25pm

[History of the Mod Middle East](#) MDES UN2719 10378 4 Rashid I Khalidi TR 10:10am-11:25am

[Intro to Armenian Studies](#) MDES UN3335 13154 3 Alison Vacca T 10:10am-12:00pm

[Intro to Islamic Civilization](#) ASCM UN2003 10437 4 Alison Vacca MW 10:10am-11:25am

[Theory and Culture](#) MDES UN3000 10666 4 Debashree Mukherjee MW 11:40am-12:55pm

**MUSIC**

[World Music Ensemble - Arabic](#) MUS UN1551 11850 1 Taoufik Ben-Amor R 6:00pm-8:00pm

**RELIGION**

[Muslims in Diaspora](#) RELI UN3407 13818 4 Ebadur Rahman MW 4:10pm-5:25pm

[Quran](#) RELI UN3314 00297 4 Najam I Haider TR 1:10pm-2:25pm

