



THE MIDDLE EAST INSTITUTE FALL 2020 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. For the most up-to-date information on courses students should refer to the Columbia [course directory](#). *Please note for the 2020-2021 academic year it appears that most courses will be offered online; 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
ART HISTORY					
Travel: Art, Architecture, and Mapping Worlds	AHIS G8350	12870	4	Eleonora Pistis	Th 4:10PM-6:00PM
CLASSICS (BARNARD)					
Society & Environment in the Ancient Med	CLCV GU4440*	00757	4	Ellen Morris	M Tu W Th 2:40PM-3:55P M
COMPARATIVE LITERATURE					
Cinematic Cities/Comparative Modernities	GLME G4042*	13148	4	Debashree Mukherjee	Tu 2:10PM-4:00PM
East/west Frametale Narratives	CPLS GR63333	11910	3	Patricia E Grieve	W 2:10PM-4:00PM
Travel Literature in and from the Mediterranean	CLIA W4023*	10122	3	Konstantia Zanou	Th 12:10PM-2:00PM
History					
Manuscripts of the Muslim World	HIST W4743*	12203	4	Tunc Sen	W 10:10AM-12:00PM
Islamic Movements/Middle East	HIST G8701	12202	4	Rashid I Khalidi	Tu 2:10PM-4:00PM
History of the Modern Middle East	HIST G6998	14115	4	Rashid I Khalidi	Tu Th 8:40AM-9:55AM
INSTITUTE FOR THE STUDY OF HUMAN RIGHTS					
Refugees, Forced Migration, And Displacement	HRTS W4230*	11124	3	Lara J Nettelfield	Tu 4:10PM-6:00PM
ISLAMIC CULTURE STUDIES					
Foundation to Islamic Studies	ISCS G5000	15265	4	Kathryn Spellman Poots	Tu 10:10AM-12:00PM
JEWISH STUDIES					
History of Jews in the Islamic World	JWST W4538*	14147	4	Alon Tam	Th 4:10PM-6:00PM
MIDDLE EASTERN, SOUTH ASIAN AND AFRICAN STUDIES					

* Note that course codes at the 4000 level are graduate course that are also open to qualified undergraduates

Colonialism	MDES G6020	21401	4	Timothy Mitchell	Th 10:10AM-12:00PM
Persian Poetry (In Translation)	MDES C4718*	14421	4	Hamid Dabashi	W 10:10AM-12:00PM
Modern & Medieval Islamic Political Thought	MDES G4764*	13389	4	Hamid Dabashi	W 12:10PM-2:00PM
Readings in Sufi Texts	MDES G6236	14320	4	Wael Hallaq	M 4:10PM-6:00PM
Study of Gender and Sexuality in the Arab World	MDES G8280	12553	4	Joseph A Massad	Tu 10:10AM-12:00PM
War Narrative: The Arab World	MDES W4259*	13138	4	Muhsin Al-Musawi	Th 2:10PM-4:00PM
Debates on Capitalism	MDES GU4151*	14420	4	Elleni Zeleke	W 2:10pm-4:00pm
Transregional	MDES C4629*	14314	4	Mana Kia	Th 12:10PM-2:00PM
SIPA					
Geopolitics of Oil and Natural Gas	INAF U6680	15755	3	Natasha Udensiva	Tu 11:00AM-12:50PM
Diplomacy in Practice: The EU and the World	IAIA U6310	20641	3	Pierre Vimont	Th 9:00AM-10:50AM
Security and International Politics of The Persian Gulf	REGN U6660	15858	3	Lawrence G Potter	W 2:10PM-4:00PM
Middle East Conflicts and Global Security	REGN U6719	15859	3	Naomi J Weinberger	Th 6:10PM-8:00PM
Migration & Human Development	INAF U6173	15673	3	Daniel Naujoks	T 4:10pm-6:00pm
RELIGION					
Exploring Sharia: Islamic Law	REGI W4322*	00602	4	Najam I Haider	Tu Th 4:10PM-6:00PM
SOCIOLOGY					
Israeli Society: Special Topics	SOCI G6010	21385	3	Yinon Cohen	M 2:10PM-4:00PM

UNDERGRADUATE LEVEL COURSES

Course Title	Course Code	Call#	Cr	Instructor	Day & Time
ART HISTORY					
Public Monument in The Ancient Near East	AHIS W3101	12527	4	Zainab Bahrani	Th 4:10PM-6:00PM

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CLASSICS (Barnard)

[Archaeology of Crisis](#) CLCV BC3333 00761 4 Ellen Morris M F 2:10PM-4:00PM

**CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF
ETHNICITY AND RACE**

[Post 9/11 Immigration Policies](#) CSER W3490 11309 4 Elizabeth Ouyang Th 10:10AM-12:00PM

[Colonization/Decolonization](#) CSER W3928 12187 4 Manan Ahmed W 10:10AM-12:00PM

COMPARATIVE LITERATURE

[Arabic Prison Writing](#) CLME W3928 13134 3 Muhsin Al-Musawi W 2:10PM-4:00PM

[Arabian Nights Influences](#) CPLT BC3551 00166 4 Hisham Matar M 10:10AM-12:00PM

HISTORY

[Ancient History: Mesopotamia
And Asia Minor](#) HIST W1002 12864 4 Marc Van De Mieroop Tu Th 4:10PM-5:25PM

[History of The Modern Middle
East](#) HIST W2719 12185 4 Rashid I Khalidi Tu Th 8:40AM-9:55AM

[Africa Before Colonialism](#) HSME W2915 12654 4 Mamadou Diouf MW 11:40AM-12:55PM

[The Global Cold War](#) HIST W3490 12059 4 Paul T Chamberlin Tu 2:10PM-4:00PM

**INTER-DEPARTMENT
SEMINAR**

[Nobility/Civility: East/West](#) INSM W3920 12049 4 Jo Ann Cavallo W 4:10PM-6:00PM

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

[Ancient Near Eastern Literature](#) MDES W2399 00554 4 Nathanael P Shelley W 3:30PM-5:20PM

[Contemporary Culture in the Arab
World](#) MDES W3920 12551 3 Joseph A Massad W 10:10AM-12:00PM

[Central Questions in Islamic Law](#) MDES W3923 13493 3 Wael Hallaq Tu 4:10PM-6:00PM

[Colloquium on Major Texts](#) AHUM V1399 11992 4 Elaine Van Dalen F 12:10PM-2:00PM

[Introduction to Islamic Civilization](#) ASCM V2003 12229 4 Matthew L Keegan W 12:10PM-1:00PM

RELIGION (BARNARD)

[Islam](#) RELI V2305 00759 4 Najam I Haider 1:10PM-4:00PM