

# **MIDDLE EAST STUDIES PROGRAM**

## **WINTER COURSE OFFERINGS**

**2005**

### **MIDDLE EAST STUDIES**

SLN: 8724      SISME 490 A      Spec Topics (5 Cr)      A. ROUYER  
Offered Jointly with SISME 590 A (SLN: 8725) grads only  
Offered Jointly with POL S 331 B (SLN: 7282)

TTh      1:30-3:20      MLR 316

#### **GOV'T AND POLITICS OF THE MIDDLE EAST**

This course introduces students to the politics and contemporary problems facing the Middle East. The course will examine the main patterns of politics and the forces shaping them in the twenty-plus countries that make up the region including Israel and the area governed by the Palestinian Authority. Several countries including Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, and Iran will be singled out for in-depth examination.

SLN: 7832      SISME 560 A      SMNR TURKISH STUDIES (2 Cr)      R. KASABA  
ADD CODE: THO 111  
INSTR PERMISSION REQUIRED

M      4:30-6:20      BLM 305

Middle Eastern historiography, Islamic law, Islamic theology, relations between the Middle East and the world economy, political structures, social movements in the Middle East. A seminar designed for Masters and Ph.D. students working on topics related to Ottoman Empire, Modern Turkey or comparative projects that include these areas. Credit/no credit only.

SLN: 7830      SISME 499 A      UNDERGRAD RESEARCH (Var Cr)      TO BE ARRANGED  
INSTRUCTOR I.D. THO 111

SLN: 7831      SISME 499 B      UNDERGRAD RESEARCH (Var Cr)      TO BE ARRANGED  
INSTRUCTOR I.D. THO 111

SLN: 7835      SISME 600      INDEPENDENT STUDY (Var Cr)      TO BE ARRANGED  
INSTRUCTOR I.D. THO 111

SLN: 7836      SISME 700      MASTERS THESIS (Var Cr)      TO BE ARRANGED  
INSTRUCTOR I.D. THO 111

## **ANTHROPOLOGY**

SLN: 1242      ANTH 323 AA      HUMAN RIGHTS LAW (5 Cr)  
Offered Jointly with LSJ 321 AA (SLN: 5271)  
Other sessions available

A. OSANLOO

MWF      10:30-11:20      EXEC 110  
Th      9:30-10:20      MEB 243

Introduces the complexities of issues surrounding human rights. Examines human rights concerns through critical analyses, taking into account legal, social, economic, and historical variables.

## **ARCHITECTURE**

SLN: 1301      ARCH 442 A      AFRICA MIDDLE EAST SEMINAR (5 Cr)

B. MCLAREN

MTh      10:30-11:50      GLD 100

Advanced introduction to colonial and postcolonial architecture in Africa and the Middle East, beginning with the initial European colonization in the mid-19th century. Provides a historical understanding of the formation of distinctive regional and/or national identities in the architecture of these regions.

## **ARCHEOLOGY**

SLN: 1325      ARCHY 105 AA      WORLD PREHISTORY (5 Cr)  
Other Sections available

A. CLOSE

MWThF      10:30-11:20      KNE 110  
T      8:30-9:20      DEN 317

Prehistoric human ancestors from three million years ago: their spread from Africa and Asia into the Americas, survival during ice ages, development of civilizations. Well-known archaeological finds, e.g., Olduvai Gorge; Neanderthals; Jericho; Egyptian pyramids; Mexican temples; Mesa Verde; Ozette, Washington.

## **ART HISTORY**

SLN: 1425      ART H 202 AA      WEST ART MED & REN (5 Credits)      K. MATHEWS  
Other Sections available  
\$10 additional course fee req'd

MWF      1:30-2:20      KNE 120  
TTh      8:30-9:20      ART 003

Survey of Western Art-Medieval and Renaissance. The arts of the Byzantine Empire, Islam, and Western Christendom through 1520 AD.

SLN: 1467      ART H 452 A      ART, REL, & POLITICS, 300-700 AD (3 Credits)      A. KARTSONIS  
\$10 additional course fee req'd

TTh      10:30-11:50      ART 317

The course will trace the dramatic transformation of the pagan Roman empire to the Christian Byzantine Empire during the Late Antique and Early Christian periods through the artistic and visual culture of the time. Starting with the third century and ending with the beginning of the eighth c. A.D. it will focus primarily on the art of the State and the art of the Church as reflections and witnesses of the political, and religious factors that contributed dynamically to the modification of the institutional structure of the pagan Roman empire, and gave rise to its new identity, the Christian empire of Byzantium that came to represent a new ideal of statehood that prevailed for more than a millennium.

## **COMPARATIVE RELIGION**

SLN: 7637      RELIG 212 A      INTRO TO THE QURAN (5 Credits)      T. DEYOUNG

MTWThF: 2:30-3:20      SMI 304

Emphasis on the historical context of the Quran, the history of the text, its collection, organization, and interpretation. In English. Offered: jointly with NEAR E 212.

SLN: 7649      RELIG 590 A      SPEC TOPICS (5 Credits)      S. NOEGEL

TTh      10:30-12:20      MGH 282

**RELIGION IN THE COMMON PERSPECTIVE: ANCIENT COSMOLOGIES**

## **ENGLISH**

SLN: 3689      ENGL 310 A      BIBLE AS LITERATURE (5 Cr)      J. GRIFFITH

MTWThF      8:30-9:20      DEN 304

Introduction to the development of the religious ideas and institutions of ancient Israel, with selected readings from the Old Testament and New Testament. Emphasis on reading The Bible with literary and historical understanding. A rapid study of readings taken from both the Old and New Testaments, focusing mainly on those parts of the Bible with the most "literary" interest—narratives, poems and philosophy.

## **HISTORY**

**SLN: 4476      HIST 161 A      SURV MUSLIM NEAR EAST (5 Credits)      A. IGMEN**

**TThF      9:30-10:50      RAI 121**

Survey course is an introduction to the history of the modern Near East. The main objective of this survey is to familiarize you with the history of modernity in the Near East, which began at the end of the eighteenth century and led to the complicated events of the twenty-first century. The chronological emphasis begins with the Ottoman reforms of the late 1700s, and ends with the emergence of modern nation-states in the 1900s. The survey examines the changes and continuities in Ottoman Empire, Persian and Arab lands; it includes Ottoman Empire and Modern Turkey (Anatolia and the Balkans), and the Arabic, Hebrew and Kurdish speaking regions (Arabian Peninsula, North Africa, Israel, Iraq, Syria, Jordan, and Lebanon), and Iran. The focus is on the following topics: reformism, colonialism, nationalism, and religion in the Ottoman Empire, the development of Arab socialism and capitalism, the world's hunger for oil, the Israeli and Palestinian nationalism, and the emergence of modern Near Eastern leadership, among them, Atatürk of Turkey, Shah of Iran, and Saddam Hussein of Iraq.

**SLN: 4255      HIST 225 A      SILK ROAD (5 Credits)      WAUGH**  
Offered jointly w/SIS 225 A (SLN: 7741)

**MWF      8:00-9:20      SAV 249**

An introduction to the history of cultural and economic interchange across Eurasia from approximately the beginning of the Common Era (CE=Christian Era [AD]) to approximately the beginning of the eighteenth century. The term "Silk Road" commonly designates the East-West overland trade routes, established around the beginning of the Common Era when Chinese silk began to reach the West and falling into disuse primarily because of Europeans' opening of sea routes to the East beginning in the late fifteenth century. The land routes were in fact many, some going north-south; the sea trade in the Indian Ocean was also important but will not be the main focus here. Arguably the patterns of "Silk Road" interactions continued down into modern times. Topics will include the importance of Inner Asian physical geography, the interaction of nomadic and sedentary peoples, the spread of important religions and resulting cultural syncretism, and, of course, the mechanisms and products of trade.

SLN: 4504      HIST 498 F  
ADD CODES: SMI 318  
NO GRADUATE STUDENTS

COLLOQUIUM IN HIST (5 Credits)

A. IGMEN

**To be arranged**

**STALIN'S MUSLIM COMRADES AND ENEMIES**

This senior history seminar examines twentieth century Central Asian history. The purpose of this seminar is to analyze the cultural and social impact of Stalinism in the region and on its people. It examines the expansion of the Bolshevik and Stalinist ideology into Central Asia. The readings include the secondary literature written mostly by scholars outside of Central Asia and some Central Asian primary sources. Although the focus of the course is the social and cultural history of the region, most of the required books provide a political history. The articles in the course package will help us understand the politics of social and cultural change in Central Asia. Given the time constraints of a quarter, the “region” is limited to Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan and Xinjiang of China. Our main goal is to learn about the ways in which the peoples of Central Asia forged their “Soviet” identities through cooperation, resistance and rebellion. We will address such specific topics as ethnic and national identity versus regional and local identity; sedentary life styles versus nomadism; traditional Islam versus Sufism; central socialist ideology versus localized socialism; and Soviet cultural establishment versus local cultural traditions.

**INTERNATIONAL STUDIES**

SLN: 7746      SIS 406 A      POLITICAL ISLAM (5 Cr)  
Offered jointly with POL S 432 A (SLN: 7306)

C. ROBINSON

MW      2:30-4:20      MEB 248

Focusing on recent analysis of Muslim civil society and the Islamic public sphere, this course examines political Islam as a phenomenon produced at the intersection of universalistic and particularistic political cultures and in the spaces between political, religious, and social authority. The first part of the course examines the terms of analysis that social scientists employ to discuss ‘political Islam’ and ‘Islamic fundamentalism’. Students will examine the relationship between different forms of authority in Muslim societies and categories of Islamic political movements. The second part of the course will focus on anthropological case studies from South Asia, South East Asia, and the Middle East and examine how different publics produce moral judgments about political practices.

SLN: 8797      SIS 301 A      WAR (5 Credits)  
Offered jointly with SOC 301 (SLN: 8796)

P. SOVEREL

MW      3:30-5:20      THO 119  
W      6:00-8:20      THO 101 (REQUIRED FILMS WED EVENINGS)

Origins and conduct of war; readings from anthropology, political science, economics, and history, as well as novels and some recent works on the arms-control controversy. Modern forms of warfare, including guerrilla war, world war, and nuclear war. WAR is a survey course about organized human conflict. You will draw on works by historians, participants, practitioners (uniformed and civilian) and philosophers on the nature, causes, conduct and moral/ethical implications of the use of directed violence for political purpose. The course addresses several inter-connected themes: -war and society; -war and technology; -war and individuals. Offered: jointly with SOC 301.

SLN: 7768    SIS 522 A                      ETHNICITY & NATLISM (3Credits)                      R. KASABA

Th                      3:30-5:20                      CMU 243

Focus on ethnic group relations and nationalism viewed from a broad, comparative, interdisciplinary perspective. Emphasis is heavily cross-cultural, and the geographical coverage world-wide.

### **MUSIC**

SLN: 6085    MUSAP 589                      WORLD MUSIC LAB (2-3Credits)                      H. OMOUMI

Contact instructor for Add Code

**A PER QUARTER MUSAP FEE OF \$105.00**

All students enrolled in an applied course (MUSAP 300 Level and above)  
must also be registered in a music Ensemble (MUSAP 300 Level and above)

MUSIC OF IRAN: VOICE & NAI                      TO BE ARRANGED

### **POLITICAL SCIENCE**

SLN: 7276                      POL S 331 AA                      MID EAST IN AFRICA (5 Credits)                      E. GOLDBERG

Other Sessions available

MWF                      10:30-11:20                      HCK 132  
TTh                      9:30-10:20                      THO 135

This course is about the emergence of republics and the persistence of monarchies in the Arab world. We will focus on a particular region, the so-called Arab East and the Arabian peninsula, to provide us with comparative cases. Specifically we will examine the historical experience of Iraq, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, and Iran to try to explain political development in the region.

SLN: 7282    POL S 331 B    GOVERN & POLITICS OF THE MID EAST (5 Credits)    A. ROUYER

TTh                      1:30-3:20                      TBA

This course introduces students to the politics and contemporary problems facing the Middle East. The course will examine the main patterns of politics and the forces shaping them in the twenty-plus countries that make up the region including Israel and the area governed by the Palestinian Authority. Several countries including Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, and Iran will be singled out for in-depth examination.

SLN: 7301                      POL S 407 AA                      INTERNATIONAL CONFLICT (5 Credits)                      J. MERCER

Other Sessions available

MW                      9:00-10:20                      THO 101  
TTh                      8:30-9:20                      MGH 248

This course introduces students to the major theoretical approaches to international relations—Realism, Liberalism, and Marxism—and uses these approaches to address a variety of issues. For example, we will discuss the rise of the modern state system, the origins of WWI, the Cold War, the Gulf Wars, terrorism, genocide in Rwanda, free trade, North-South relations, the environment, and human rights. The principle aims of the course are to demonstrate how theory influences our explanations; to familiarize students with

some important issues in international politics; and most important, to help students evaluate contemporary issues in international politics.

**SLN: 7306 POL S 432 A POLITICAL ISLAM (5 Credits) C. ROBINSON**  
Offered with SIS 406 A (SLN: 7746)

**MW 2:30-4:20 MEB 248**

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## **NEAR EASTERN COURSES IN ENGLISH**

**(for Information Call Near East Dept. - 543-6033)**

**SLN: 6351 NEAR E 212 A INTRO TO THE QURAN (5 Credits) T. DEYOUNG**  
Offered jointly with RELIG 212 A (SLN: 7637)

**MTWThF 2:30-3:20 SMI 304**

Emphasis on the historical context of the Quran, the history of the text, its collection, organization, and interpretation. In English.

**SLN: 6352 NEAR E 221A DIGITAL EGYPT (3 Credits) S. NOEGEL**

**TTh 1:30-2:50 GUG 224**

Uses technology to explore themes surrounding the study of Egypt, from ancient times through the early Islamic period. Intended as a broad interdisciplinary introduction to Egypt's history and cultural legacy.

**SLN: 6353 NEAR E 325 A MOD HEBR LIT in ENGL (3 Credits) N. SOKOLOFF**  
Offered jointly with SISJE 490 A (SLN: 7820)

**MWF 11:30-12:20 DEN 213**

This survey of modern Hebrew literature and its major developments in the past 100 years includes selections of fiction and poetry by a range of authors from Europe, Israel and the U.S. even though more and more of this writing has become available in English in recent years, few American readers have appreciated the distinctiveness of modern Hebrew literature. This course aims to illuminate some of the factors that make this literature unusual and fascinating: the polyglot contexts that have had formative impact on literary expression in Hebrew; the longevity of Hebrew itself - a language that has been in continuous literary use over millennia; and the dramatic historical circumstances and ideological forces that fostered the revival of the language and shaped Hebrew literary endeavors up through current times.

SLN: 6355      NEAR E 496 A      RABBINIC ORAL TRAD LIT (3 Credits)      M. JAFFEE

MW      11:30-1:20      THO 215  
MEETS AT THE KAREN MAYERS GAMORAN  
FAMILY CENTER FOR JEWISH LIFE,  
4745 17TH AVE NE

SLN: 6357      NEAR E 596      SPEC STUDIES: INTRO UZBEK LIT(3 Cr)      I. CIRTAUTAS  
OFFERED JOINTLY WITH TKIC 455 A (SLN: 8564)

MW 9:00-10:20      PAR 322

Readings from selected Uzbek writers.

SLN: 6356      NEAR E 498      SENIOR ESSAY (5 Credits)      TO BE ARRANGED  
Instructor ID Den 229

SLN: 6354      NEAR E 490      SUPERVISED STUDY (Var Credits)      TO BE ARRANGED  
Instructor ID Den 229

SLN: 6357      NEAR E 499      UNDERGRAD RESEARCH (Var Cr)      TO BE ARRANGED  
Instructor ID Den 229

SLN: 6358      NEAR E 600 A      INDEPNDNT STDY/RSCH (Var Cr)      TO BE ARRANGED  
Grads only      Instructor ID Den 229

## NEAR EASTERN LANGUAGE COURSES

(for Information Call Near East Dept. - 543-6033)

### ARABIC

PLEASE CONTACT SHANNON QUINN AT NEAREAST@U.WASHINGTON.EDU FOR AN ENTRY CODE

SLN:1269      ARAB 412 A      Elem Arabic (5 Cr)      Elkhafaifi      MTWThF 12:30-1:20  
PAR 313

SLN:1270      ARAB 412 B      Elem Arabic (5 Cr)      Aburezeq      MTWThF 1:30-2:20  
DEN 205

SLN:1271      ARAB 412 C      Elem Arabic (5 Cr)      Jahshan      MTWThF 1:30-2:20  
PAR 212

Study of grammar, with oral and written drill and reading of simple texts.

SLN:1272      ARAB 422 A      Intermed Arabic (5 Cr)      Elkhafaifi      MTWThF 11:30-12:20  
PLEASE CONTACT NEAREAST@U.WASHINGTON.EDU FOR AN ENTRY CODE      DEN 313

Reading of selected texts in standard Arabic, with continuing emphasis on grammar and syntax.

SLN:1273      ARAB 432 A      Advanced Arabic (5 Cr)      Elkhafaifi      TWTh 1:30-2:50  
PLEASE CONTACT NEAREAST@U.WASHINGTON.EDU FOR AN ENTRY CODE      LOW 222

Focus on Arabic at the advanced level through in-depth examination of grammar, reading of selected texts, and brief surveys of some major reference materials

SLN:1274      ARAB 490      Supervised Study (Var Cr)      TO BE ARRANGED  
Instructor ID Den 229



SLN:1275	ARAB 499	Undergrad Research (Var Cr)	TO BE ARRANGED Instructor ID Den 229
SLN:1276 Grads only	ARAB 600	Independent Research (Var Cr)	TO BE ARRANGED Instructor ID Den 229

### HEBREW

SLN:4448	HEBR 412 A	Elem Mod Hebrew (5 Cr)	N. Sokoloff	MTWThF 9:30-10:20 DEN 213
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Modern Israeli Hebrew. Core vocabulary, grammar, conversational text, and oral and written communication. Excerpts from modern Hebrew prose and poetry. (Cannot be taken for credit if 401 taken.) Prerequisite: HEBR 411.

SLN:4449	HEBR 415 A	Elem Biblical Hebrew (5 Cr)	MW 9:30-11:20 SAV 211
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Continues the inductive introduction to the biblical Hebrew language begun in HEBR 414. Moves beyond the textbook and into select portions of the Hebrew Bible. Prerequisite: HEBR 331 or HEBR 414.

SLN:4450	HEBR 422 A	Interm Mod Hebrew (5 Cr)	MTWThF 10:30-11:20 DEN 213
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Readings of selected texts in modern Hebrew with continuing emphasis on grammar, syntax, composition, and conversation. Prerequisite: HEBR 421.

SLN:4251	HEBR 490	Supervised Study (Var Cr)	TO BE ARRANGED Instructor ID Den 229
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SLN:4252	HEBR 499	Undergrad Research (Var Cr)	TO BE ARRANGED Instructor ID Den 229
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SLN:4253 Grads only	HEBR 600	Independent Study/Research (Var Cr)	TO BE ARRANGED Instructor ID Den 229
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### PERSIAN

SLN:7355	PRSAN 412 A	Elem Persian (5 Cr)	J. Sazegar-Mek	MTWThF 9:30-10:20 MEB 235
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Conversation, pronunciation, and graded reading. Persian alphabet and basic sentence constructions. Offers rudimentary conversational and reading ability with a vocabulary of about two thousand words. Prerequisite: PRSAN 411.

SLN:7356	PRSAN 422 A	Intermed Persian (5 Cr)	J. Sazegar-Mek	MTWThF 10:30-11:20 LOW 117
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Reading of simple texts with emphasis on reading and writing, conversation skills, grammar, and syntax. Builds a vocabulary of standard Persian in preparation for advanced reading and comprehension of literary texts. Prerequisite: PRSAN 421.

SLN:7357	PRSAN 490	SUPERVISED STUDY (Var Cr)	TO BE ARRANGED Instructor ID Den 229
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SLN:7358	PRSAN 499	UNDERGRAD RESEARCH (Var Cr)	TO BE ARRANGED Instructor ID Den 229
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SLN:7359 Grads only	PRSAN 600	INDEPNDNT STDY/RSCH (Var Cr)	TO BE ARRANGED Instructor ID Den 229
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## UZBEK

**SLN:8563    TKIC 412 A    ELEM UZBEK (5 Cr)    Cirtautas    TTh 8:00-10:20  
SAV 144**

Introduction to the modern written and spoken language. Cannot be taken for credit if 401 taken.

**SLN:8564    TKIC 455 A    INTRO UZBEK LIT(3 Cr)    Cirtautas    MW 9:00-10:20  
PAR 322**

Readings from selected Uzbek writers.

**SLN: 8565    TKIC 490    SUPERVISED STUDY (Var Cr)    TO BE ARRANGED  
Instructor ID Den 229**

**SLN: 8566    TKIC 499    UNDERGRAD RESEARCH (Var Cr)    TO BE ARRANGED  
Instructor ID Den 229**

**SLN: 8567    TKIC 600    INDEPNDNT STDY/RSCH (Var Cr)    TO BE ARRANGED  
Grads only    Instructor ID Den 229**

## TURKISH

**SLN:8568    TKISH 412 A    ELEM TURKISH (5 Cr)    E. Andac    MTWThF 9:30-10:20  
MGH 287**

Introduction to modern Turkish. Pronunciation and conversation, grammar and composition, graded reading. Latin characters used throughout. (Cannot be taken for credit if TKISH 401 is taken.) Prerequisite: TKISH 411

**SLN:8569    TKISH 422 A    INTERMED TURKISH (5 Cr)    E. Andac    MTWThF 10:30-11:20  
MGH 293**

Introduction to modern Turkish literature. Prerequisite: TKISH 421

**SLN:8570    TKISH 490    SUPERVISED STUDY (Var Cr)    TO BE ARRANGED  
Instructor ID Den 229**

**SLN:8571    TKISH 499    UNDERGRAD RESEARCH (Var Cr)    TO BE ARRANGED  
Instructor ID Den 229**

**SLN:8572    TKISH 600    INDEPNDNT STDY/RSCH (Var Cr)    TO BE ARRANGED  
Grads only    Instructor ID Den 229**