



POLITICS AND SOCIETY IN THE MIDDLE EAST

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COURSE OVERVIEW

- Credits: 4 ECTS
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COURSE SCHEDULE

- September 17: Introduction. scope of the course, organization of the course, and course requirements
- September 24: Middle East: the basic terminology, geography, demography
- October 1: History of Middle East before 1945
- October 8: Arab-Israeli Conflict I
- October 15: Reading week – no class
- October 22: Arab-Israeli conflict II
- October 29: Midterm exam

COURSE SCHEDULE

- November 5: Iran: From Western Ally to Islamic Republic
- November 12: Political Development of Lebanon and Syria
- November 19: Post Cold War Conflicts in the Middle East
- November 26: EU and the Mediterranean region
- December 3: Documentary movie – screening followed by a discussion
- December 10: Final exam

COURSE ACTIVITIES

- Midterm: October 29, 3 open questions, 30 points
- Final Exam: December 10, 5 open questions, 50 points
- Essay: deadline November 30, 20 points

ESSAY

- Topic: Personal portrait of one leading Middle East individual
- The purpose of the essay is to engage with the respected authors in the field, and provide a critical assessment of the perspectives presented in the articles. The students are expected to integrate the readings in a thoughtful way, not just summarize them. Be sure to reference the readings properly. The papers should be up to 6 (1.5-spaced) pages.
- Length: 6 pages (1 page = 1,800 letters)
- Deadline: November 30, midnight (Submit it to “Odevzdávárna” application in university information system).

GRADES

- A 92 - 100
- B 84 - 91
- C 76 - 83
- D 68 - 75
- E 60 - 67
- F less than 60 points



- Bahrain
- Cyprus
- Egypt
- Iran
- Iraq
- Israel
- Jordan
- Kuwait
- Lebanon
- Oman
- Qatar
- Saudi Arabia
- Syria
- Turkey
- UAE
- Yemen

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