

NMP11021 History and Politics of the Modern Middle East and North Africa (online)

Module type	Core (The Middle East in a Global Context) /Option (Comparative Literature, Identities and Cultures of Europe)
Term / hours	Michaelmas / 22
ECTS	10
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Delivery	Online only

Module description

This module explores the processes that shaped the modern Middle East and North Africa from the turn of the 20th century to today through the use of both primary and secondary literature. It seeks to engage with the history of the region from within as it examines themes such as colonialism, nationalism, international relations, social and political movements and the impacts of crisis and war on individuals in the region.

Assessment

Essay 80%

Presentation 20%

Indicative bibliography

Gelvin, James, *The New Middle East*, London: Oxford University Press, 2018.

Kalidi, Anbara S., *Memoirs of an Early Arab Feminist*, trans. by Tarif Khalidi, London, Pluto Press, 2015.

Makdisi, Jean, Said, Teta, *Mother and Me: Three Generations of Arab Women*, New York, Norton, 1999.

Rogan, Eugene, *The Arabs*, 2nd edition, New York, Basic Books, 2012.

Smith, Charles D., *Palestine and the Arab-Israeli Conflict*, 8th ed., New York, MacMillan, 2017.

Additional Declassified Primary Source Material: CIA Declassified Docs:
<https://www.cia.gov/library/readingroom/>; GWU National Security Archive:
<http://nsarchive.gwu.edu/NSAEBB/index.h>.

Learning outcomes

Upon successful completion of this module, students should be able to:

- LO1 Evaluate key historiographical concepts relevant to the study of the region.
- LO2 Identify key trends in Middle Eastern history.
- LO3 Identify key trends in Middle Eastern politics.
- LO4 Explain social and intellectual trends in the region.
- LO5 Critically assess and debate social and intellectual trends in the region.
- LO6 Critically assess the influence of internal and external factors in Middle Eastern societies.
- LO7 Evaluate the impacts of crisis and war on individuals in the region.