

# COURSE DETAIL

## THE CREATION OF THE CONTEMPORARY MIDDLE EAST

**Country**

France

**Host Institution**

Institut d'Etudes Politiques (Sciences Po)

**Program(s)**

Sciences Po Paris

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Political Science

**UCEAP Course Number**

142

**UCEAP Course Suffix**

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**UCEAP Official Title**

THE CREATION OF THE CONTEMPORARY MIDDLE EAST

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

CREATN MIDDLE EAST

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

4.50

**UCEAP Semester Units**

3.00

### **Course Description**

This course introduces students to the historic elements explaining the state of the Middle Eastern countries as they are today. The decline of the Ottoman Empire in the nineteenth century, European imperialism, the affirmation of a local elite and the First World War resulted in the creation of the states of the Middle East, some of which were placed under French and British mandates during the San Remo Conference in 1920. These mandates have built the contemporary Middle East with its various political, social, and societal components. The period of independence confirmed the structural obstacles faced by these states and that largely explain the current conflicts in the region. This course presents the main actors—both local and international—and how they interacted with each other to create the structures and basis of the regional states that are still defining the current governmental and societal characteristics.

### **Language(s) of Instruction**

English

### **Host Institution Course Number**

DAFF25A20

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### **Host Institution Course Details**

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### **Host Institution Campus**

English Seminar

### **Host Institution Faculty**

### **Host Institution Degree**

### **Host Institution Department**

International Relations

**Course Last Reviewed**

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