COURSE DETAIL

MODERN MIDDLE EAST HISTORY

Country
Taiwan

Host Institution
National Taiwan University

Program(s)
National Taiwan University

UCEAP Course Level
Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)
History

UCEAP Course Number
143

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title
MODERN MIDDLE EAST HISTORY

UCEAP Transcript Title
MODERN MIDDLE EAST

UCEAP Quarter Units
4.50

UCEAP Semester Units
3.00

Course Description

This course examines modern Middle Eastern history from the nineteenth century to the Arab Spring in 2010. The framework study of the region and its peoples is political history. Starting in the early nineteenth century, European states such as France and Britain invaded the region, ushering in a new era. In response to the European threat, Ottoman, Egyptian, and Iranian governments instituted drastic military, economic, and political reforms. Inevitably these reforms also led to social and cultural transformations. World War I disrupted these states and a variety of new states including Iraq, Lebanon, Syria, Turkey and the Gulf emirates emerged from the cataclysm. We will study the efforts of these states, along with those of Egypt and Iran, to achieve independence and find a new political identity and structure for their communities. The end of World War II marked a drastic period of decolonization for Britain and France, and many Middle Eastern states now fully independent, developed military-authoritarian regimes. We will study the dynamics of these regimes, the socio-economic changes they enacted, and socio-religious groups that mobilized in protest. This course then moves toward the twenty-first century to understand the increasing wealth of the region, stagnation, and violence in the region up to the Arab Spring.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
Hist2143

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

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