

## COURSE DETAIL

### ISLAM, POLITICS, AND THE MIDDLE EAST

**Country**

Italy

**Host Institution**

University of Commerce Luigi Bocconi

**Program(s)**

Bocconi University

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Political Science Near East Studies History

**UCEAP Course Number**

113

**UCEAP Course Suffix****UCEAP Official Title**

ISLAM, POLITICS, AND THE MIDDLE EAST

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

ISLAM POL MIDL EAST

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

6.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

4.00

## Course Description

This course introduces students to the politics of the Middle East and North Africa (MENA), with a particular focus on regional dynamics related to religion, authoritarianism, foreign intervention, and popular politics. The first half of the course provides the main historical, social, and economic features underpinning current politics in MENA by examining historical state formation, authoritarian governance, and political economy in the region. In so doing, the course equips students with the main analytical tools needed to comprehend and critically analyze the course of current political developments, which the second half of the course addresses. Students learn about the trajectory of the Arab Spring, the rise and decline of Islamist political movements, and ongoing struggles with civil wars and terrorism, among other topics. The course requires students have basic knowledge of theories and concepts of political science to participate in the course.

### Language(s) of Instruction

English

### Host Institution Course Number

30534

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### Host Institution Campus

Bocconi University

### Host Institution Faculty

### Host Institution Degree

### Host Institution Department

Social and Political Sciences

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