

COURSE DETAIL

SOCIAL MOVEMENTS AND COLLECTIVE ACTION IN THE MIDDLE EAST

Country

United Kingdom - Scotland

Host Institution

University of Edinburgh

Program(s)

University of Edinburgh

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Political Science Near East Studies

UCEAP Course Number

117

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

SOCIAL MOVEMENTS AND COLLECTIVE ACTION IN THE MIDDLE EAST

UCEAP Transcript Title

SOC MOVMTS MID EAST

UCEAP Quarter Units

8.00

UCEAP Semester Units

5.30

Course Description

The course examines the role of contentious politics in the politics and international relations of the Middle East. It explores how movements of people challenge, reinforce, and create new centers of authority in the region. Students assess the literature on contentious politics and use examples from the Middle East to engage with broader debates. Themes covered include social movements and geopolitics; globalization and regionalization; the sociopolitical role of intellectuals; religion and gender-based mobilization; sectarianism; and the notion of public (and counter-public) spheres. Students examine a range of case studies, such as Arab anti-colonial movements and their legacies; trajectories of Palestinian and Kurdish struggles for statehood; the Israeli settler movement; the Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions (BDS) movement; secular and Islamic feminist movements in Egypt and Iran; popular uprisings in Egypt from 2011 to 2013; and sectarian mobilizations in Iraq and Syria.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

PLIT10128

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Host Institution Campus

Edinburgh

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Politics

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