

COURSE DETAIL

THE MIDDLE EAST SINCE THE DAWN OF ITS HISTORY

Country

France

Host Institution

Institut d'Etudes Politiques (Sciences Po)

Program(s)

Sciences Po Paris

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Near East Studies History

UCEAP Course Number

124

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

THE MIDDLE EAST SINCE THE DAWN OF ITS HISTORY

UCEAP Transcript Title

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UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

This course focuses on the ancient history of the Middle East as a textbook case illustrating the transition from prehistory to history, via the establishment of a centralized power served by a powerful administration, an influential religion, a codified practice of writing, and subtle economic and diplomatic networks. It investigates the unifying factors behind the extension of the geographical contours of this cultural area, what memories classical antiquity retained of this distant East, and the discoveries it made. The course examines this abundant premise, at the crossroads of political, cultural, religious, and artistic sources, to shed light on a few fundamentals with parallels to our own times that should be considered with as much curiosity as caution.

Language(s) of Instruction

French

Host Institution Course Number

CHUM 25F37

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Host Institution Campus

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Seminar

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