

# 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**

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**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

## Host Institution Course Title

LE PROCHE ORIENT À L'AUBE DE SON HISTOIRE

## Host Institution Course Details

<https://syllabus.sciencespo.fr/fr/?202320/245901>

## Host Institution Campus

## Host Institution Faculty

## Host Institution Degree

Seminar

## Host Institution Department

Humanities

## Course Last Reviewed

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