COURSE DETAIL

THE WORLD OF ISLAMIC ARCHITECTURE, FROM THE BEGINNINGS TO THE PRESENT DAY

Country

Egypt

Host Institution

American University in Cairo

Program(s)

The American University in Cairo

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Near East Studies Art History Architecture

UCEAP Course Number

105

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

THE WORLD OF ISLAMIC ARCHITECTURE, FROM THE BEGINNINGS TO THE PRESENT DAY

UCEAP Transcript Title

ISLAMIC ARCHITECTR

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

This course is a survey of the architectural output of the Islamic world from from Spain to Indonesia from the 7th century to the present. It presents major examples of religious and secular architecture, including mosques, madrasas, palaces, and caravanserais and offers an insight into different Islamic dynastic styles in their respective geographic territories beginning with the Umayyads in Syria and ending with the contemporary architecture. With the help of visual material and field trips, the course analyzes major monuments with the objective of arriving at an understanding of each dynasty's contribution in the context of the continuous development that nurtured it. The course facilitates enjoyment of Islamic architecture, provides an understanding of how art historians think and argue with one another, and expands visual memory.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

ARIC 2205

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Arab and Islamic Civilizations

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