COURSE DETAIL

MIDDLE EAST URBANISM(S)
Country Egypt
Host Institution American University in Cairo
Program(s) The American University in Cairo
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Urban Studies Near East Studies
UCEAP Course Number 140
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title MIDDLE EAST URBANISM(S)
UCEAP Transcript Title MID E URBANISM(S)
UCEAP Quarter Units 4.50
UCEAP Semester Units 3.00

Course Description

This course introduces urban studies in the Middle East, drawing on textual, visual, and collaborative resources to critically explore contemporary urban life in the region. It situates the region within broader discussions on the global “urban age,” an era where purportedly half of the world’s growing population lives and works in cities. The course explores the structural and everyday forces and actors—states, people, culture, nature, wars, and disasters—that shape and connect cities across the region. It draws on debates and methodologies in urban sociology, political economy, and anthropology. The course blends theory and practice through collaborative, experiential methods such as urban diary writing, visual ethnography, and field visits.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
MEST 4301

Host Institution Course Title
SPECIAL TOPICS IN MIDDLE EAST STUDIES: MIDDLE EAST URBANISM(S)

Host Institution Course Details
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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
Middle East Studies Program

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