

COURSE SYLLABUS

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HINE 116
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SOLIS 109

HINE 116

The Middle East in the Age of European Empires (1798-1918)

This course is an introductory survey of the modern history of the Middle East from the end of the eighteenth century to the end of the imperial period and the prelude to nation-states. It examines political and socioeconomic change and thought in the late Ottoman Empire and Qajar Iran from the Napoleonic invasion of Egypt to World War I, the critical period when the seeds of the contemporary Middle East were planted. The striking growth of European economic, political, and cultural influence in the region and the Middle Eastern responses, including sustained efforts to re-structure social, political, and cultural institutions, will constitute the focus of the course. There is no prerequisite for HINE 116.

Required Course Texts:

James L. Gelvin, *The Modern Middle East* (Oxford University Press, 2016) [4th edition]
(Available at the University Bookstore)

Other readings will be available online on TritonEd.

[Also the readings in this syllabus are subject to change throughout the quarter.]

Course Requirements:

Midterm examination (30 %)

Final examination (50 %)

Attendance and participation (20%)

[4 absences = fail the course]

Examinations:

There will be **two** exams in this course. Each will be designed to gauge your grasp of the reading and lecture material. They will generally consist of a variety of objective questions, so if you have attended the lectures consistently, read **and** critically engaged the course material, you can expect to do quite well on these assessments.

Both exams are mandatory in order to pass the course. No exam can be administered before its scheduled date for any reason. Any make-up granted with documentation of a valid excuse will be administered after the scheduled exam date. Make-ups may be given in a different format and include different content.

Reading Assignments:

The true gem of any humanities course is in the readings that instructors assign. Not only will you get more out of the lectures and discussions completing the readings by the dates indicated, but you will also assure yourself a more meaningful engagement with the diverse societies covered in the course.

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Beginnings (1789-1808)

Week One

- 4/3 Introduction to the Middle East and the Long 19th Century
J. Gelvin: 1-9
- 4/5 What Came Before
J. Gelvin: 11-47

Early Reforms (1808-1856)

Week Two

- 4/10 The World of Revolution and Restoration
John P. McKay: A History of World Societies, 722-734
- 4/12 The Eastern Question
J. Gelvin: 47-57
M. E. Yapp: The Making of the Modern Middle East, 59-96

Week Three

- 4/17 Ottoman Political and Social Structure
J. Gelvin: 178-179
Khaled Fahmy: "The Era of Muhammad 'Ali Pasha, 1805-1848," 139-79
- 4/19 Ottoman Economy
J. Gelvin: 69-89; 166-167
R. Owen: "The Economic Consequences of the Age of Reforms," 57-82

Week Four

- 4/24 Culture and Ideology of the *Tanzimat*
J. Gelvin: 167-172
C. Findley: Turkey, Islam, Nationalism, and Modernity, 76-132
- 4/26 ***MIDTERM EXAM***

Economic Integration (1853-1882)

Week Five

- 5/1 The Age of Capital and Crisis
John P. McKay: A History of World Societies, 735-752
- 5/3 European Influence and Islamic Modernism
J. Gelvin: 140-157; 179-182

Week Six

- 5/8 Towards Bankruptcy
R. Owen: "The Ottoman Road to Bankruptcy and the Anatolian Economy," 100-121
- 5/10 Minorities in the Ottoman Empire
M. Göçek: "The Decline of the Ottoman Empire and the Emergence of Greek, Armenian, Turkish, and Arab Nationalisms," 15-56, 65-83

The Return of the Sultan (1876-1908)

Week Seven

- 5/15 The Age of Empire and Nationalism
John P. McKay: A History of World Societies, 767-780
- 5/17 'Reactionary Despotism or Culmination of the Reforms?'
C. Findley: Turkey, Islam, Nationalism, and Modernity, 133-191

Week Eight

- 5/22 Qajar Iran
N. Keddie: Modern Iran, 1-72
- 5/24 European Control of Near Eastern Economies
J. Gelvin: 90-105; 172-177

Week Nine

- 5/29 Society and Culture during the Reign of Abdulhamid II
J. Gelvin: 106-139; 177-178
- 5/31 Opposition to the Hamidian Regime
J. Gelvin: 158-165

Endings (1908-1918)

Week Ten

- 6/5 The Second Constitution
J. Gelvin: 182-185
S. Hanioglu: "The Second Constitutional Period, 1908-1918," 62-111
- 6/7 The Great War
J. Gelvin: 189-204

*****FINAL EXAM: TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 2018 11:30-14:30*****