Florida Institute of Technology

ADDING A NEW COURSE TO THE CURRICULUM

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SUBJECT HUM Course No. 2233 Credit Hours 3 Term to be added to the file Spring 2008

CLASS HOURS 45 hours LECTURE HOURS LAB HOURS CONTACT HOURS (CEU ONLY)

DEPARTMENT Humanities and Communication Schedule Type Virtual Classroom (H)

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COMPUTER TITLE Restricted to 25 characters, including spaces Modern Middle East

CATALOG TITLE Modern Middle East

CATALOG DESCRIPTION OF COURSE Limited to 350 characters, including spaces

Studies the social, political, religious and economic forces in the modern Middle East. Emphasizes the origin and significance of Islam, developments since World War I, the Arab-Israeli conflict, the importance of religion in the contemporary Middle East and developments in various states in the region.

In addition, you may attach a course syllabus and/or more detailed description.

REQUIREMENTS ☑ Prerequisite HUM 2051 ☐ Corequisite Course Number

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GRADING TO BE ISSUED ☒ A, B, C, D, F ☐ A, B, C, D, F, CEU
☐ CEU ☐ S, U ☐ P, F ☐ Other

ADDITIONAL RESTRICTION For BANNER enforcement, restricted to students enrolled in University Alliance (U)

If this course replaces a course currently offered in BISK, please indicate old course information

SUBJECT Alpha Prefix (e.g., CSE) HTY Course No. (e.g., 1301) 233

APPROVALS: Upon completion of appropriate department approvals, submit form to Chair, Graduate Council, or Chair, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee for approval below and forward to Catalog Director.

Date: 10 Apr 2007

Chair, Graduate Council

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CATALOG DIRECTOR

These changes/additions have been made for the University/Extended Studies Catalog and entered into the BANNER term named above.

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HUM 2233  Modern Middle East
Credit Hours: 3
Prerequisite: CIV I and II.

Course Description
This course provides a survey of the political and social forces that have shaped the Modern Middle East. Both the terms "Modern" and "Middle East" need careful attention: the "modern" in the Middle East and the developing world is not the "modern" of Europe or America, but much later, perhaps as late as the early 19th century.

The Middle East is a political region that is tied together by historical, cultural, and to a large extent, post colonial commonality. Religion is also a crucial factor. For the purposes of this course, the Middle East will consist of the region from Egypt to Oman and from Iran to Turkey.

The course will focus on the importance of this region after WWI as a result of the vast oil reserves that it has. It is not likely that you would have been taking a course on the Modern Middle East had not oil been that region's primary (from Algeria in the West to Saudi Arabia and Iran in the East and Central Asia). Also, you would not have been taking the course had not the Palestine-Israel conflict dominated the news on many occasions.

Objectives:
1. To learn the various histories, cultures, and political traditions of the region;
2. To identify the major figures that have shaped the development of the region in the past century.
3. To master the geography of the region.
4. To recognize the religious differences in the region and to learn about some of the oldest Christian minorities in the world.
5. To understand the role that Western Europe (France and Britain) and the United States (after WWII) have played in the making -- and the unmaking -- of the region.
Course outline:


Week 3. "The Civilization of Islam." Link to one of the many surveys that are now available. This unit serves to bridge the gap between the ninth and the nineteenth century.

Week 4. "Western Imperialism." Chapter 4 in P.


Week 8. "The Economic Setting." Chapter 11 in P.

Week 9. "International Relations in the Contemporary Middle East, 1945-1990." Chapter 12 in P.


Week 11. "International Relations in the Contemporary Middle East, 1945-1990." Chapter 13 in P.


Week 15. "Did 9/11 Change Everything?" Chapter 15 in P.

Week 16. Western Media and the Coverage of the Middle East. Links to examples from the European, American, and al-Jazeera press.

Grading:
3 Book Reports: 30%
2 Film Reports: 20%
Discussion Board: 30%
Quizzes: 20%

Texts:
Leila Ahmed, A Border Passage. ISBN 0-14-029183-0
Rashid Khalidi, Resurrecting Empire. ISBN 0-8070-0235-6

RECENT COURSES TAUGHT
(Sample syllabi)

History of Western Civilization I
Britain and the Mediterranean World, 1578-1727
Moor and Jew in Elizabethan and Jacobean Drama
English Mysticism: Medieval to Early Modern