Department of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies



Syllabus

Date of approval:

for course at advanced level

Revolutions in the Middle East: Practices and Paradigms Revolutioner i Mellanöstern: Praktik och Paradigm

7.5 ECTS credits

Credits

7.5 Higher Education

Course code: ABMREV Valid from: Spring 2019

Department Department of Asian and Middle Eastern studies

Main field: Mellanösterns språk och kulturer

Specialisation: A1N - Second cycle, has only first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

2018-10-31

Decision

This syllabus was developed by the Board of the Faculty of Humanities 2018-10-31 and adopted by the Board of the Department of Asian-, Middle Eastern and Turkish Studies 2018-10-31.

Prerequisites and special admittance requirements

Bachelor's degree in humanities, social sciences or law, including a bachelor's thesis comprising a minimum of 15 ECTS, and English 6.

Course structure

Examination codeNameHigher Education CreditsME01Revolutions in the Middle East: Practices and Paradigms7.5

Course content

This course offers both a thematic and a chronological approach to revolutions in the Middle East and North Africa from the beginning of the 20th century until today. The purpose of the course is to go beyond the commonplace descriptions of the recent revolutions as exceptions in the history of the region.

Learning outcomes

In order to pass the course, students are expected to be able to:

- Show knowledge of the theory of revolutions, social movements and social non-movements
- Show knowledge of revolutionary events in the region
- Discuss critically the various definitions of revolutionary events in the Middle East and North Africa
- Perform an analysis of a revolutionary event in the region and/or its different definitions using relevant theory.

Education

Instruction is given in the form of lectures and seminars. The language of instruction is English. Attendance at all teaching sessions is obligatory.

For more detailed information, please refer to the course description. The course description will be made available at least one month before the course starts.

Forms of examination

a) The course is examined on the basis of written assignments in the form of essay assignments. The

principles for weighting individual course assignments are described in the grading criteria. The language of examination is English. For more detailed information, please refer to the course description. The course description will be made available at least one month before the course starts.

b) Grades will be set according to a seven point scale related to the learning objectives of the course:

A = Excellent

B= Very good

C = Good

D = Satisfactory

E = Adequate

Fx = Inadequate

F = Totally Inadequate.

- c) Students will be informed of the written grading criteria when the course starts. Once set, the grading criteria related to the learning objectives of the course are binding.
- d) In order to pass the course, students must receive a grade of E or higher, alternatively a passed grade, on all examination assignments and meet the attendance requirement of 80%. Under special circumstances, the examiner may, after consulting with the coordinating teacher, grant the student an exemption from the obligation to participate in certain mandatory course elements. The student can then be assigned a compensatory assignment.

Students submitting the exam late, can only receive the grades C-F.

- e) At least two examination opportunities should be offered for each occasion the course is given. At least one examination opportunity should be offered during a semester when the course is not given. Students who receive the grade Fx or F twice by the same examiner are entitled to have another examiner appointed for the next examination, unless there are special reasons to the contrary. Such requests should be made to the department board. Students who receive the grade E or higher may not retake the examination to attain a higher grade.
- f. This course does not include any opportunities to complete a supplementary assignment in order to convert the grade Fx into a passing grade.

Interim

When the syllabus is discontinued, students have the right to be examined according to this syllabus once per semester during a transition period of three semesters.

Limitations

This course may not be included in a degree together with a course, taken in Sweden or elsewhere, of identical or partially similar content.

Required reading

For up-to-date information about required reading, please refer to the department website at www.su.se/asia. The current reading list will be made available at least two months before the course starts.