# **Course literature Middle Eastern and North African Studies I**

Autumn semester 2023

# **Course literature for the module: Middle East: Religions and Early History, 7.5hp**

# **Required Books**

- Cohen, Charles L. *The Abrahamic Religions: A Very Short Introduction*. Oxford University Press, USA, 2020. ISBN-13:978-0190654344
- Berkey, Jonathan P. *The formation of Islam: Religion and society in the Near East, 600–1800.* (Cambridge University Press, 2002).
- Starr, S. Frederick. *Lost Enlightenment: Central Asia's Golden Age from the Arab Conquest to Tamerlane*. Princeton University Press, 2013.

# **Supplementary reading**

- Silverstein, Adam, Guy G. Stroumsa, and Moshe Blidstein, eds. *The Oxford Handbook of the Abrahamic Religions*. OUP Oxford, 2015. ISBN: 9780199697762.
- Foster, Paul. *The Apocryphal Gospels: A very short introduction*. OUP Oxford, 2009. ISBN-13:978-0199236947.

- Bowley, James E., and John C. Reeves. "Rethinking the concept of 'Bible': some theses and proposals." *Henoch* 25, no. 1 (2003): 3-18.
- Chittick, William C. "The spiritual path of love in Ibn al-'Arabi and Rumi." *Mystics Quarterly* 19, no. 1 (1993): 4-16.
- Debié, Muriel. "Christians in the service of the caliph: through the looking glass of communal identities." *Christians and Others in the Umayyad State* (2016): 53-72.
- Donner, Fred M. "Qur'ânicization of religio-political discourse in the Umayyad period." *Revue des Mondes Musulmans et de la Méditerranée* 129 (2011): 79-92.
- Kohlberg, Etan. "From imāmiyya to ithnā-'ashariyya." *Bulletin of the School of Oriental and African Studies* 39, no. 3 (1976): 521-534.
- Luz, Nimrod. "Aspects of Islamization of Space and Society in Mamluk Jerusalem and its Hinterland," *Mamluk Studies Review*, 6 (2002), 133-154.
- Pagels, Elaine H. "What became of God the mother? Conflicting images of God in early Christianity." *Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society* 2, no. 2 (1976): 293-303.
- Reeves, John C. "Jewish pseudepigrapha in Manichaean literature: The influence of the Enochic library." *Tracing the threads: Studies in the vitality of Jewish pseudepigrapha* (1994): 173-203.
- Sizgorich, Thomas. "'Do prophets come with a sword?" Conquest, empire, and historical narrative in the early Islamic world', *American Historical Review* 112.4 (October 2007), 993-1015.
- Wood, Philip. "The idea of freedom in the writings of non-Chalcedonian Christians in the fifth and sixth centuries." *History of European Ideas* 44, no. 6 (2018): 774-794.

# Course literature for the module: Modern Middle Eastern history: 1500-1920, 7.5hp

## **Required Book**

- Baer, Marc David. *The Ottomans: Khans, Caesars, and Caliphs*. Basic Books, 2021. ISBN-10:1541673808
- Kayali, Hasan. *Imperial Resilience: The Great War's End, Ottoman Longevity, and Incidental Nations*. (Univ of California Press, 2021). ISBN: 9780520343702.
- Starr, S. Frederick. Lost Enlightenment: Central Asia's Golden Age from the Arab Conquest to Tamerlane. Princeton University Press, 2013.

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• Newman, Andrew J. *Safavid Iran: rebirth of a Persian empire*. Bloomsbury Publishing, 2012. ISBN-13: 9780857733665.

- Abou-El-Haj, Rifaat Ali. "The Ottoman Vezir and Paşa Households 1683-1703: A Preliminary Report." *Journal of the American Oriental Society* (1974): 438-447.
- Atçıl, Abdurrahman. "The Safavid threat and juristic authority in the Ottoman Empire during the 16th century." *International Journal of Middle East Studies* 49, no. 2 (2017): 295-314.
- Baltacıoğlu-Brammer, Ayşe. ""Those Heretics Gathering Secretly...": Qizilbash Rituals and Practices in the Ottoman Empire according to Early Modern Sources." *Journal of the Ottoman and Turkish Studies Association* 6, no. 1 (2019): 39-60.
- Blumi, Isa. "Entangled Trajectories: The Interweaving Interests of the Local and the Evolution of Modern Imperialism in the Balkans." *Balkanistika/Blgarska Akademija na Naukite. Institut po Balkanistika.-Sofija* 24 (2011): 25-58.
- Blumi, Isa. "Reorientating European Imperialism: How Ottomanism Went Global." *Die Welt Des Islams* 56, no. 3-4 (2016): 290-316.
- Blumi, Isa. "An Ottoman Story Until the End: Reading Fan Noli's Post-Mediterranean Struggle in America, 1906-1922." *Journal of Balkan and Black Sea Studies* 5 (2020): 121-144.
- Blumi, Isa. "Ottoman Albanians in an Era of Transition: An Engagement with a Fluid Modern World." In *Narrated Empires*, pp. 191-212. Palgrave Macmillan, Cham, 2021.
- Casale, Giancarlo. "The Ottoman administration of the spice trade in the sixteenthcentury Red Sea and Persian Gulf." *Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient* 49, no. 2 (2006): 170-198.
- Casale, Giancarlo. "Global politics in the 1580s: One canal, twenty thousand cannibals, and an Ottoman plot to rule the world." *Journal of World History* (2007): 267-296.
- Demirci, Tuba and Selçuk Akşin Somel. "Women's Bodies, Demography, and Public Health: Abortion Policy and Perspectives in the Ottoman Empire of the Nineteenth Century." *Journal of the History of Sexuality* 17, no. 3 (2008): 377-420.
- De Jong, Fred. "On Peter Gran, Islamic Roots of Capitalism: Egypt, 1760–1840." *International Journal of Middle East Studies* 14, no. 3 (1982): 381-399.
- Eldem, Edhem. "Ottoman financial integration with Europe: foreign loans, the Ottoman Bank and the Ottoman public debt." *European Review* 13, no. 3 (2005): 431-445.

- Fahmy, Khaled. "The anatomy of justice: forensic medicine and criminal law in nineteenth-century Egypt." *Islamic Law and Society* 6, no. 2 (1999): 224-271.
- Gürkan, Emrah Safa. "Mediating Boundaries: Mediterranean Go-Betweens and Cross-Confessional Diplomacy in Constantinople, 1560-1600." *Journal of Early Modern History* 19, no. 2-3 (2015): 107-128.
- Gürkan, Emrah Safa. "His Bailo's Kapudan: Conversion, Tangled Loyalties and Hasan Veneziano between Istanbul and Venice (1588-1591)." *Osmanlı Araştırmaları* 48, no. 48 (2016): 277-319.
- Hadjikyriacou, Antonis. "The Ottomanisation of Cyprus: Towards a spatial imagination beyond the centre-province binary." *Journal of Mediterranean Studies* 25, no. 1 (2016): 83-98.
- Hanedar, Avni Önder, Elmas Yaldız Hanedar, and Mehmet Gökhan Göktan. "Insider trading on Ottoman sovereign default: The Ottoman General Debt Bond at European and İstanbul financial markets." *Finance Research Letters* (2022): 102767.
- Hathaway, Jane. "Rewriting eighteenth-century Ottoman history." *Mediterranean Historical Review* 19, no. 1 (2004): 29-53.
- Hicks, Geoffrey. "Disraeli, Derby and the Suez Canal, 1875: some myths reassessed." *History* 97, no. 326 (2012): 182-203.
- Kayali, Hasan. "Elections and the electoral process in the Ottoman Empire, 1876–1919." *International Journal of Middle East Studies* 27, no. 3 (1995): 265-286.
- Khater, Akram. "'House' to 'Goddess of the House': Gender, Class and Silk in 19th century Mt. Lebanon," *International Journal of Middle East Studies*, (henceforth *IJMES*) 28/3 (1996): 325-348.
- Kondo, Nobuaki. "Conditional Sales and Other Types of Loans in Qajar Iran." *Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient* 64, no. 5-6 (2021): 615-639.
- Krstić, Tijana. "Illuminated by the Light of Islam and the Glory of the Ottoman Sultanate: Self-Narratives of Conversion to Islam in the Age of Confessionalization." *Comparative Studies in Society and History* 51, no. 1 (2009): 35-63.
- Özkan, Dilek. "The Final Phase of the Greek Revolution: Delimitation, Determination and Demarcation of the First Greek Borders in Ottoman Sources." *European Revolutions and the Ottoman Balkans: Nationalism, Violence and Empire in the Long Nineteenth-Century* (2020): 111.
- Rothman, E. Natalie. "Interpreting dragomans: Boundaries and crossings in the early modern Mediterranean." *Comparative Studies in Society and History* 51, no. 4 (2009): 771-800.
- Salzmann, Ariel. "An ancien regime revisited:"privatization" and political economy in the eighteenth-century Ottoman Empire." *Politics & Society* 21, no. 4 (1993): 393-423.
- Salzmann, Ariel. "Migrants in chains: on the enslavement of Muslims in Renaissance and Enlightenment Europe." *Religions* 4, no. 3 (2013): 391-411.
- Yaycioğlu, Ali. "Guarding Traditions and Laws—Disciplining Bodies and Souls: Tradition, science, and religion in the age of Ottoman reform." *Modern Asian Studies* 52, no. 5 (2018): 1542-1603.
- Zarinebaf-Shahr, Fariba. "Economic activities of Safavid women in the shrine-city of Ardabil." *Iranian Studies* 31, no. 2 (1998): 247-261.

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# Course literature for the module: Contemporary Middle Eastern history: 1820-2020, 7.5hp

## **Required Book**

- Blumi, Isa. *Destroying Yemen: What Chaos in Arabia Tells Us about the World* (University of California Press, 2018).
- Adam Mestyan, Modern Arab Kingship: Remaking the Ottoman Political Order in the Interwar Middle East (Princeton University Press, 2023) ISBN: 9780691190976

- Alkorani, Joud. ""Some kind of family": Hijra between people and places." *Contemporary Islam* 15, no. 1 (2021): 17-33.
- Alloul, Jaafar. "Leaving Europe, aspiring access: Racial capital and its spatial discontents among the Euro-Maghrebi minority." *Journal of Immigrant & Refugee Studies* 18, no. 3 (2020): 313-325.
- Achilli, Luigi. "Disengagement from politics: Nationalism, political identity, and the everyday in a Palestinian refugee camp in Jordan." *Critique of anthropology* 34, no. 2 (2014): 234-257.

- Akins, James E. "The oil crisis: this time the wolf is here." *Foreign Affairs* 51, no. 3 (1973): 462-490.
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- Ates, Sabri. "Bones of Contention: Corpse Traffic and Ottoman-Iranian Rivalry in Nineteenth-Century Iraq." *Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa and the Middle East* 30, no. 3 (2010): 512-532.
- Blumi, Isa. "Looking beyond the tribe: abandoning paradigms to write social history in Yemen during World War I." *New Perspectives on Turkey* 22 (2000): 117-143.
- Blumi, Isa. "Imperial Equivocations Britain's Temperamental Mobilization of the Caliphate, 1912-1924." Rivista italiana di storia internazionale 4, no. 1 (2021): 149-173.
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- Davidson, Christopher M. "Arab nationalism and British opposition in Dubai, 1920–66." *Middle Eastern Studies* 43, no. 6 (2007): 879-892.
- Eggert, Jennifer Philippa. "Female fighters and militants during the Lebanese Civil War: Individual profiles, pathways, and motivations." *Studies in Conflict & Terrorism* (2018): 1-30.
- Elyachar, Julia. "Mappings of power: The state, NGOs, and international organizations in the informal economy of Cairo." *Comparative Studies in Society and History* 45, no. 3 (2003): 571-605.
- Fahmy, Khaled. "The police and the people in nineteenth-century Egypt." *Welt Des Islams* 39 (1999): 340-377.
- Fruchter-Ronen, Iris. "Black September: The 1970–71 events and their impact on the formation of Jordanian national identity." *Civil Wars* 10, no. 3 (2008): 244-260.
- Fuccaro, Nelida. "Shaping the urban life of oil in Bahrain:consumerism, leisure, and public communication in Manama and in the oil camps, 1932–1960s." *Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa and the Middle East* 33, no. 1 (2013): 59-74.
- Gasiorowski, Mark J. "US Perceptions of the Communist Threat in Iran during the Mossadegh Era." *Journal of Cold War Studies* 21, no. 3 (2019): 185-221.
- GEK. "Arab Nationalism and 'Nasserism'." *The World Today* (1958): 532-542.
- Hägerdal, Nils. "Ethnic cleansing and the politics of restraint: Violence and coexistence in the Lebanese Civil War." *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 63, no. 1 (2019): 59-84.
- Hanssen, Jens. ""Malhamé–Malfamé": Levantine Elites and Transimperial Networks on the Eve of the Young Turk Revolution." *International Journal of Middle East Studies* 43, no. 1 (2011): 25-48.
- Haugbolle, Sune. "Public and private memory of the Lebanese civil war." *Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa and the Middle East* 25, no. 1 (2005): 191-203.
- Herf, Jeffrey. "The US State Department's Opposition to Zionist Aspirations during the Early Cold War: George F. Kennan and George C. Marshall in 1947–1948." *Journal of Cold War Studies* 23, no. 4 (2021): 153-180.
- Hourani, Najib. "Transnational pathways and politico-economic power: globalisation and the Lebanese civil war." *Geopolitics* 15, no. 2 (2010): 290-311.
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- Ismael, Jacqueline, Shereen Ismael, and Chris Langille. "Post-conflict reconstruction and women in the Muslim world." *Arab Studies Quarterly* 33, no. 1 (2011): 23-43.

- Keelan, Emma Patricia, and Brendan Ciarán Browne. "Problematising resilience: development practice and the case of Palestine." *Development in Practice* 30, no. 4 (2020): 459-471.
- Lorenz, Fredrick Walter. "The "Second Egypt": Cretan Refugees, Agricultural Development, and Frontier Expansion in Ottoman Cyrenaica, 1897–1904." *International Journal of Middle East Studies* 53, no. 1 (2021): 89-105.
- Nagel, Caroline, and Lynn Staeheli. "International donors, NGOs, and the geopolitics of youth citizenship in contemporary Lebanon." *Geopolitics* 20, no. 2 (2015): 223-247.
- Norton, Augustus Richard. "The role of Hezbollah in Lebanese domestic politics." *The International Spectator* 42, no. 4 (2007): 475-491.
- Pascoe, Stephen. "A "Weapon of the Weak" Electric Boycotts in the Arab Levant and the Global Contours of Interwar Anti-Imperialism." *Radical History Review* 2019, no. 134 (2019): 116-141.
- Razzaq Takriti, Abdel. "Colonial Coups and the War on Popular Sovereignty." *The American Historical Review* 124, no. 3 (2019): 878-909.
- Schofield, Richard "The crystallisation of a complex territorial dispute: Britain and the Saudi-Abu Dhabi borderland, 1966–71." *Journal of Arabian Studies* 1, no. 1 (2011): 27-51.
- Sozer, Brendan. "Development of proxy relationships: a case study of the Lebanese Civil War." *Small Wars & Insurgencies* 27, no. 4 (2016): 636-658.
- Takeyh, Ray. "The Iran-Iraq War: A Reassessment." *The Middle East Journal* 64, no. 3 (2010): 365-383.
- Vitalis, Robert. "Black gold, white crude: An essay on American Exceptionalism, hierarchy, and hegemony in the Gulf." *Diplomatic History* 26.2 (2002): 185-213.
- Watts, Sheldon. "From Rapid Change to Stasis: Official Responses to Cholera in British-Ruled India and Egypt: 1860-1921." *Journal of World History*, vol. 12, no. 2, (2001) pp. 321-374.
- Zunes, Stephen. "The US invasion of Iraq: the military side of globalization." *Globalizations* 6, no. 1 (2009): 99-105.

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# **Course literature for the module: Politics and Development in the Middle East, 7.5hp**

## **Required Books**

- Stenberg, Leif. *Poet and Businessman: Abd Al-Aziz Al-Babtain and the Formation of Modern Kuwait*. Gingko Library (University of Chicago Press), 2022.
- Beinin, Joel, Bassam Haddad, and Sherene Seikaly, eds. *A Critical Political Economy of the Middle East and North Africa*. (Stanford University Press, 2020). Paperback ISBN: 9781503614475

## Supplementary Books (Students Need to Reference One for Final Paper)

- Barnes, Jessica. *Staple Security: Bread and Wheat in Egypt* (Duke University Press, 2022) ISBN-10:1503630102
- Martinez, José Ciro. *States of Subsistence: The Politics of Bread in Contemporary Jordan* (Stanford University Press, 2022). ISBN-13 :978-1503631328
- Yahaya, Nurfadzilah. *Fluid Jurisdictions: Colonial Law and Arabs in Southeast Asia*. Cornell University Press, 2020.

- Bush, R. 2004. "Poverty and Neo-Liberal Bias in MENA." *Development and Change*, 35(4): 673-695.
- Cammett, Melani and Sukriti Issar. "Bricks and mortar clientelism: sectarianism and the logics of welfare allocation in Lebanon." *World Politics* 62, no. 3 (2010): 381-421.
- Casale, Giancarlo. "The Ottoman administration of the spice trade in the sixteenthcentury Red Sea and Persian Gulf." *Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient* 49, no. 2 (2006): 170-198.
- Chalcraft, John. "Migration and Popular Protest in the Arabian Peninsula and the Gulf in the 1950s and 1960s." *International Labor and Working-Class History* 79, no. 1 (2011): 28-47.
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- Kuran, T. 2004. "Why the Middle East is Economically Underdeveloped: Historical Mechanisms if Institutional Stagnation." *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, 18(3): 71–90.
- Lockman, Zachary. "Railway workers and relational history: Arabs and Jews in Britishruled Palestine." *Comparative Studies in Society and History* 35, no. 3 (1993): 601-627
- Lockman, Zachary. "Land, labor and the logic of Zionism: A critical engagement with Gershon Shafir." *Settler Colonial Studies* 2, no. 1 (2012): 9-38.
- Mitchell, T. 1999a. "No Factories, No Problems: The Logic of Neoliberalism in Egypt." *Review of African Political Economy*, 26(82): 455-468.
- Mitchell, T. 1999b. "Dreamland: The Neoliberalism of Your Desires." *Middle East Report*, 28-33
- Schofield, Richard "The crystallisation of a complex territorial dispute: Britain and the Saudi-Abu Dhabi borderland, 1966–71." *Journal of Arabian Studies* 1, no. 1 (2011): 27-51.
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- Stacher, J. and Marshall. S. 2012. "Egypt's Generals and Transnational Capital" *MERIP* 262.
- Takriti, A. (2020). Afterword. The Arab Left: From Rumbling Ocean to Revolutionary Gulf. In L. Guirguis (Ed.), *The Arab Lefts: Histories and Legacies, 1950s–1970s* (pp. 259-282). Edinburgh University Press.
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