



The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Syllabus

The Arab-Israeli Conflict: Between War and Peace (1882-2020) - 38022

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HU Credits: 4

Degree/Cycle: 1st degree (Bachelor)

Responsible Department: Islamic & Middle East Stud.

Academic year: 0

Semester: Yearly

Teaching Languages: Hebrew

Campus: Mt. Scopus

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Course/Module description:

The aim of this course is to learn the historical evolution of the Arab-Israeli conflict from the first Zionist Aliyya and until today. The conflict will be studied from the prism of both the Zionist and the Arab/Palestinian perspective. It will not focus only on wars and violence but also on the opportunities to achieve peace.

Course/Module aims:

The aim of this course is to study the history and major patterns of the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Learning outcomes - On successful completion of this module, students should be able to:

The student will analyze and identify the major patterns of behavior and characteristics of the Arab-Israeli conflict; will be able to compare between the various historical cases; assess and explain their importance; make generalizations on the basis of the historical case studies; and criticize the academic literature.

Attendance requirements(%):

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: Lectures and power point presentations

Course/Module Content:

1. Historical introduction: Stages in the conflict.
2. The origins of the modern conflict
3. WWI: Contrasting promises regarding Palestine.
4. The British Mandate
5. The 1948 War
6. The Border Wars and the Suez 1956 war
7. The rise of Fatah and the PLO
8. The 1967 and its consequences
9. The 1973 war and its consequences
10. The Sadat initiative and the Israeli-Egyptian peace
11. The first Lebanese war (1982)
12. The first Palestinian intifada

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13. *The Gulf war, Madrid conference and Oslo agreements*
 14. *Peace with Jordan (1994)*
 15. *Negotiations with Syria (1993-2000)*
 16. *The second Camp David Conference*
 17. *The Arab Peace Initiative (2002)*

Required Reading:

*Most of the reading material will be taken from Benny Morris, *Righteous Victims* (New York: Vintage Books, 2001). In addition, several articles will be given according to the detailed syllabus.*

Additional Reading Material:

Course/Module evaluation:

End of year written/oral examination 0 %

Presentation 0 %

Participation in Tutorials 0 %

Project work 60 %

Assignments 0 %

Reports 40 %

Research project 0 %

Quizzes 0 %

Other 0 %

Additional information: