

## *The Hebrew University of Jerusalem*

### *Syllabus*

## *Saudi Arabia: From Tribal Monarchy to Regional Power - 38065*

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*HU Credits:* 2

*Degree/Cycle:* 1st degree (Bachelor)

*Responsible Department:* Islamic & Middle East Stud.

*Academic year:* 0

*Semester:* 2nd Semester

*Teaching Languages:* Hebrew

*Campus:* Mt. Scopus

*Course/Module Coordinator:* Dr. Shaul Yanai

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*Coordinator Office Hours:*

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Teaching Staff:

Dr. Shaul Yanai

Course/Module description:

The course examines the modern history, politics and discourses of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia during the 20th century to the day.

Course/Module aims:

A better understanding of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and its influence on the Middle East.

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

Home examination and  
To write a project work on one of the course topics.

Attendance requirements(%):

80%

Teaching arrangement and method of instruction: Seminar

Course/Module Content:

The formation of Saudi Arabia in the 20th century; Religious and State affairs; Regional Conflicts; The impacts of the Iranian Revolution; Neo-Wahabism; The Arab Spring and the struggle for regional hegemony

Required Reading:

Joseph Kostiner, *The Making of Saudi Arabia: From Chieftancy to Monarchical State 1916-1936*.

Madawi Al-Rasheed , *DIVINE POLITICS RECONSIDERED SAUDI ISLAMISTS ON PEACEFUL REVOLUTION*

Additional Reading Material:

P.S. Khoury and J. Kostiner (eds.) *Tribe and State Formation in the Middle East*.

Roel Meijer and Paul Aarts (editors), *SAUDI ARABIA BETWEEN CONSERVATISM, ACCOMMODATION AND REFORM*

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Course/Module evaluation:

End of year written/oral examination 100 %

Presentation 0 %

Participation in Tutorials 0 %

Project work 0 %

Assignments 0 %

Reports 0 %

Research project 0 %

Quizzes 0 %

Other 0 %

Additional information: