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**SEMINAR ON  
POLITICS & CONFLICT IN THE MIDDLE EAST  
Fall 2004**

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**Course Content**

**CONTEXT**

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| 1. Core Concepts & Strategic Legacies | <b>Introduction</b>          |
| 2. Religion & Politics                | <b>Interconnected Logics</b> |
| 3. The Case of Iraq                   | <b>Critical Convergence</b>  |

**CONTINUITY**

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| 4. Arab-Israeli Conflicts    | <b>Roots, Migrations, &amp; State-Building</b> |
| 5. Israel & the Palestinians | <b>Beliefs &amp; Power Differentials</b>       |
| 6. Syria, Lebanon & Jordan   | <b>Diversity &amp; Complexity</b>              |
| 7. Iran & Turkey             | <b>Dangerous Disequilibria</b>                 |

**COMPLEXITY**

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| 8. Saudi Arabia & Gulf | <b>Elusive Gains &amp; Strategic Costs</b>       |
| 9. Egypt & Sudan       | <b>Power &amp; Interdependence</b>               |
| 10. North Africa       | <b>Continuity of Conflicts &amp; Contentions</b> |

**CONVERGENCE**

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| 11. Restructuration    | <b>Context, Continuity, Complexity</b> |
| 12. Future Contentions | <b>Exploring Alternatives</b>          |

## ORGANIZATION

**Course Books:** On order at the MIT Coop

Andersen, Roy R., Robert F. Seibert, Jon G. Wagner, 2004, *Politics and Change in the Middle East: Sources of Conflict and Accommodation, Seventh Edition*, Englewood Cliffs N.J.: Prentice Hall.

Owen, Roger, 2000, *State, Power, and Politics in the Making of the Modern Middle East, Second Edition*, New York: Routledge.

Esposito, John L., Voll, John O. 1996. *Islam and Democracy*, New York: Oxford University Press.

Fromkin, David, 2001. *A Peace to End All Peace*, New York: Henry Holt and Company, LLC.

Smith, Charles D., 2004. *Palestine and the Arab-Israeli Conflict*, Fifth Edition, Boston: Bedford/ St. Martin's Press.

**Other Books:** Selections Assigned are compiled in a Course Reader for each week. Placed on the Course Website.

Baker, Raymond William, 2003, *Islam without Fear: Egypt and the New Islamists*, Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press.

Bickerton, Ian J., Carla L. Klausner, 1998, *A Concise History of the Arab-Israeli Conflict, third edition*, New Jersey: Prentice Hall.

Bill, James, Springborg, Robert, 2000, *Politics in the Middle East, Fifth Edition*, New York: Addison Wesley Longman.

Cobban, Helena, 1984, *The Palestinian Liberation Organisation: People, Power, and Politics*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Cohen, Mihcael J., 1987, *The Origins and Evolution of the Arab-Zionist Conflict*, Berkeley/ Los Angeles: University of California Press.

Cooley, John K., 1999, *Unholy Wars*, London/Sterling, Virginia: Pluto Press.

Du Pasquier, Roger, 1994, *Unveiling Islam*, Cambridge (u.k.): Islamic Texts Society.

- Eaton, Gai, 1994, *Islam and the Destiny of Man*, Cambridge (u.k.): Islamic Texts Society.
- El-Baz, Farouk, R.M. Makharita Eds., 1994, *The Gulf War and the Environment*, Switzerland: Gordon and Breach Science Publishers.
- Elmusa, Sharif S., 1996, *Negotiating Water: Israel and the Palestinians*, Washington D.C.: Institute for Palestinian Studies.
- Elon, Amos, 1981, *The Israelis: Founders and Sons*, New York: Penguin Books.
- Esposito, John L., 1995. *The Islamic Threat: Myth or Reality? (revised ed)* Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Guazzone, Laura Ed., 1997, *The Middle East in Global Change: The Politics and Economics of Interdependence Versus Fragmentation*, New York: St. Martin's Press.
- Hourani, Albert, Philip S. Khoury, & Mary C. Wilson, Eds. 1993, *The Modern Middle East*, Berkeley: University of California Press.
- Hunter, F. Robert, 1993, *The Palestinian Uprising: A War by Other Means Revised and Expanded*, Los Angeles: University of California Press.
- Kandiyoti, Deniz, ed., 1991, *Women, Islam & the State*, Philadelphia: Temple University Press.
- Kegley Jr., Charles W., Gregory Raymond, 1999, *How Nations Make Peace*, New York: St. Martin's / Worth.
- Khalidi, Rashid, 2004 *Resurrecting Empire: Western Footprints and America's Perilous Path in the Middle East*, Boston: Beacon Press
- Khoury, Philip S., Joseph Kostiner, Eds. 1990, *Tribes and State Formation in the Middle East*, Berkeley: University of California Press.
- Lake, Anthony, 1990, *After the Wars: Reconstruction in Afghanistan, Indochina, Central America, Southern Africa, and the Horn of Africa*, New Brunswick (u.s.), Oxford (u.k.): Transaction Publishers.
- Lewis, Bernard, 1993. *Islam and the West*, New York: Oxford University Press.
- Lowi, Miriam R., 1995, *Water and Power: The Politics of a Scarce Resource in the Jordan River Basin*, Cambridge G.B.: Cambridge University Press.
- Marr, Phebe 2004, *The Modern History of Iraq*, Colorado: Westview Press
- Marsot, Afaf Lutfi Al-Sayyid. 1985, *A Short History of Modern Egypt*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Said, Edward W., 1992, *The Question of Palestine*, New York: Vintage Books.

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Said, Edward W., 1979, *Orientalism*, New York: Vintage Books.

Sharabi, Hisham, 1988, *Neopatriarchy, A Theory of Distorted Change in Arab Society*, New York: Oxford University Press.

Usher, Graham, 1995, *Palestine in Crisis: The Struggle for Peace and Political Independence after Oslo*, London: Pluto Press.

Vandewalle, Dirk Ed., 1996, *North Africa: Development and Reform in a Changing Global Economy*, New York: St. Martin's Press.

Vannedwalle, Dirk Ed., 1995, *Qadhafi's Libya 1969 to 1944*, New York: St. Martin's Press.

## **Course Requirements**

Course requirements include (a) written requirement, (b) regular reading of the assigned materials and (c) class participation and discussion

### **Written Requirement**

There are three options for fulfilling the written requirements of the course.

**Option 1**      **Take home final – essay type; three questions; no choice; covering all aspects of the course; open books and notes; full references required etc.**

**Option 2**      **Three short papers – on topics assigned in advance, or selected by the student (approved by the instructor in advance) No more than 10 pages - Fully referenced – from assigned readings or other sources as relevant.**

**Option 3**      **Research paper – Here are the steps: (i) topic and issues identified in a paragraph – reviewed and approved by instructor; (ii) outline – general for sense of coverage – also for approval; (iii) tentative bibliography (also for approval). Roughly 30-40 pages. References etc.**

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September 13, 2004

**(1) Introduction: Core Concepts & Key Issues**

**Required Reading:**

Andersen, Roy R., Robert F. Seibert, Jon G. Wagner, 2004, *Politics and Change in the Middle East: Sources of Conflict and Accommodation, Seventh Edition*, Engelwood Cliffs N.J.: Prentice Hall, Chapters 1 and 8.

Esposito, John L., Voll, John O. 1996. *Islam and Democracy*, New York: Oxford University Press, Introduction and Chapter 1.

Owen, Roger, 2000, *State, Power, and Politics in the Making of the Modern Middle East, Second Edition*, New York: Routledge, Chapter 1.

**Related Reading:**

Hourani, Albert, "Introduction" in Hourani, Albert, Philip S. Khoury, and C. Wilson. Eds. 1993, *The Modern Middle East* Berkeley : California Press, pp. 1-20.

Lewis, Bernard, 1993. *Islam and the West*, New York: Oxford University Press, Chapters 1 and 2.

Said, Edward W. (1979) *Orientalism*. New York: Vintage Books. Preface, and Introduction

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September 20, 2003

**(2) Religion & Politics: Interconnected Logics**

**Required Reading:**

Andersen, Roy R., Robert F. Seibert, Jon G. Wagner, 2004, *Politics and Change in the Middle East: Sources of Conflict and Accommodation, Seventh Edition*, Engelwood Cliffs N.J.: Prentice Hall, Chapters 2, 3, 4, 5, and 8.

Esposito, John L., Voll, John O. 1996. *Islam and Democracy*, New York: Oxford University Press, Chapter 2.

Fromkin, David, 2001. *A Peace to End All Peace*, New York: Henry Holt and Company, LLC, Chapters 3 and 22.

Owen, Roger, 2000, *State, Power, and Politics in the Making of the Modern Middle East, Second Edition*, New York: Routledge, Chapter 2 and 4 .

Tibi, Bassam, 1986, "Islam and Modern European Ideologies", *International Journal of Middle Eastern Studies*, Vol. 18, pp. 15-29.

Lewis, Bernard, 1993. *Islam and the West*, New York: Oxford University Press, Chapters 9.

**Related Reading:**

Choucri, Nazli. "Demography, Migration and Security in the Middle East", in Guazzone, Laura Ed., 1997, *The Middle East in Global Change: The Politics and Economics of Interdependence Versus Fragmentation*, New York: St. Martin's Press, pp. 95-134.

Joffe, George H., "Disputes Over State Boundaries in the Middle East and North Africa", in Guazzone, Laura Ed., 1997, *The Middle East in Global Change: The Politics and Economics of Interdependence Versus Fragmentation*, New York: St. Martin's Press, pp. 58-93.

Said, Edward W. (1979) *Orientalism*. New York: Vintage Books. Chapter 1

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September 27, 2004

**(3) The Case of Iraq: Critical Convergence**

**Required Reading:**

Andersen, Roy R., Robert F. Seibert, Jon G. Wagner, 2004, *Politics and Change in the Middle East: Sources of Conflict and Accommodation, Seventh Edition*, Engelwood Cliffs N.J.: Prentice Hall, Chapters 6, 9, 10, and 11.

Batatu, Hanna. "Of the Diversity of Iraqis, the Incohesiveness of their Society, and their Progress in the Monarchic Period toward a Consolidated Political Structure, in Hourani, Albert, Philip S. Khoury, & Mary C. Wilson. Eds. 1993, *The Modern Middle East*. Berkeley: California Press, pp. 504-525.

Esposito, John L., 1995. *The Islamic Threat: Myth or Reality? (revised ed)* Oxford: Oxford University Press, Chapter 3.

Fromkin, David, 2001. *A Peace to End All Peace*, New York: Henry Holt and Company, LLC, Chapters 3, 43, 51, and 57.

Marr, Phebe (2004). *The Modern History of Iraq*. Boulder: Westview Press Chapter 1, 2, and 6

Owen, Roger, 2000, *State, Power, and Politics in the Making of the Modern Middle East, Second Edition*, New York: Routledge, Chapter 9 and 11.

**Related Reading:**

Picard, Elizabeth "Arab Military in Politics: From Revolution Plot to Authoritarian State", in Hourani, Albert, Philip S. Khoury, & Mary C. Wilson. Eds. 1993, *The Modern Middle East*. Berkeley: California Press, pp.551-578.

Krasner, Stephen D., "The Middle East and the End of the Cold War", in Guazzone, Laura Ed., 1997, *The Middle East in Global Change: The Politics and Economics of Interdependence Versus Fragmentation*, New York: St. Martin's Press, pp. 201-215.

Lewis, Bernard, 1993. *Islam and the West*, New York: Oxford University Press, Chapters 8.

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October 4, 2004

**(4) Arab-Israeli Conflicts: Roots, Migrations, & State-Building**

**Required Reading:**

Andersen, Roy R., Robert F. Seibert, Jon G. Wagner, 2004, *Politics and Change in the Middle East: Sources of Conflict and Accommodation, Seventh Edition*, Engelwood Cliffs N.J.: Prentice Hall, Chapter 7.

Elon, Amos, 1981, *The Israelis: Founders and Sons*, New York, Penguin Books.

Lewis, Bernard, 1993. *Islam and the West*, New York, Oxford University Press: Chapter 9.

Fromkin, David, 2001. *A Peace to End All Peace*, New York: Henry Holt and Company, LLC, Chapters 24, 28, 32, and 34.

Smith, Charles D., 2004. *Palestine and the Arab-Israeli Conflict*, Fifth Edition, Boston: Bedford/ St. Martin's, Chapter 1, 3, and 7

Shlaim, Avi. 2001. *The Iron Wall: Israel and the Arab World*. New Work: Norton, Chapters 13 and 15.

**Related Reading:**

Bickerton, Ian J., Carla L. Klausner, 1998, *A Concise History of the Arab-Israeli Conflict, third edition*, New Jersey: Prentice Hall, pp. 36-56, 88-109.

Swedenburg, Ted, "The Role of the Palestinian Peasantry in the Great Revolt (1936-1939)", in Hourani, Albert, Philip S. Khoury, & Mary C. Wilson. Eds. 1993, *The Modern Middle East*. Berkeley : California Press, pp. 468-502.

Cohen, Michael J., 1987. *The Origins and Evolution of the Arab-Zionist Conflict*, Berkeley/ Los Angeles: University of California Press, Chapters 1 and 2.

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October 18, 2004

**(5) Israel & the Palestinians: Beliefs & Power Differentials**

**Required Reading:**

Cobban, Helena, 1984, *The Palestinian Liberation Organisation: People, Power, and Politics*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, Chapters 1,4, 5 and 11.

Hunter, F. Robert, 1993, *The Palestinian Uprising: A War by Other Means Revised and Expanded*, Los Angeles: University of California Press, Chapters 2 and 3

Khalidi, Walid, "Thinking the Unthinkable: A Sovereign Palestinian State", *Foreign Affairs*, pp. 695-713.

McDowell, David. "Dilemmas of the Jewish State," in in Hourani, Albert, Philip S. Khoury, & Mary C. Wilson. Eds. 1993, *The Modern Middle East* Berkeley : California Press, pp. 643-662.

Smith, Charles D., 2004. *Palestine and the Arab-Israeli Conflict*, Fifth Edition, Boston: Bedford/ St. Martin's, Chapter 2.

Shlaim, Avi. 2001. *The Iron Wall: Israel and the Arab World*. New York: Norton, Chapters 12.

**Related Reading:**

Elmusa, Sharif S. , 1996, *Negotiating Water: Israel and the Palestinians*, Washington D.C.: Institute for Palestinian Studies.

Usher, Graham, 1995, *Palestine in Crisis: The Struggle for Peace and Political Independence after Oslo*, London: Pluto Press, Chapters 3 and 6.

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October 25, 2004

**(6) Syria, Lebanon & Jordan: Diversity & Complexity**

**Required Reading:**

Cobban, Helena, 1985, "The Shia Community and the Future of Lebanon", *The Muslim World Today*, No. 2, pp. 1-12.

Esposito, John L., 1995. *The Islamic Threat: Myth or Reality? (revised ed)* Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp 140-151.

Fromkin, David, 2001. *A Peace to End All Peace*, New York: Henry Holt and Company, LLC, Chapters 37 and 48.

Lowi, Miriam R., 1995, *Water and Power: The Politics of a Scarce Resource in the Jordan River Basin*, Cambridge G.B.: Cambridge University Press, Chapters 1, 2, 3,5 and 9.

Owen, Roger, 2000, *State, Power, and Politics in the Making of the Modern Middle East, Second Edition*, New York: Routledge, Chapter 8.

Shlaim, Avi. 2001. *The Iron Wall: Israel and the Arab World*. New Work: Norton, Chapter 10.

**Related Readings:**

Smith, Charles D. 2004. *Palestine and the Arab-Israeli Conflict*, Fifth Edition, Boston: Bedford/ St. Martin's, Chapter 9.

Choucri, Nazli, 1997. nvironmental Flash Points in the Middle East and North Africa", *Environmental Flash Points Workshop*, pp. 177-196.

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November 1, 2004

**(7) Iran & Turkey: Dangerous Disequilibria**

**Required Reading:**

Carley, Patricia, 1995, *Turkey's Role in the Middle East*, Washington D.C., Institute of Peace.

Esposito, John L., 1995. *The Islamic Threat: Myth or Reality? (revised ed)* Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp. 103-110.

Esposito, John L., Voll, John O. 1996. *Islam and Democracy*, New York: Oxford University Press, Chapter 3.

Fromkin, David, 2001. *A Peace to End All Peace*, New York: Henry Holt and Company, LLC, Chapters 4, 16, 42, 47, and 52.

Fuller, Graham E., "Turkey and the Middle East Northern Tier", in Guazzone, Laura Ed., 1997, *The Middle East in Global Change: The Politics and Economics of Interdependence Versus Fragmentation*, New York: St. Martin's Press, pp. 43-57.

Kheddi, Nikki R. "Iranian Revolutions in Perspective", in Hourani, Albert, Philip S. Khoury, & Mary C. Wilson. Eds. 1993, *The Modern Middle East*. Berkeley: California Press, pp. 601-624.

Mardin, Serif "Religion and Secularism in Turkey", in Hourani, Albert, Philip S. Khoury, & Mary C. Wilson. Eds. 1993, *The Modern Middle East* Berkeley : California Press, pp. 347-374.

**Related Reading:**

Ismael, Tareq Y., 1982, *Iraq and Iran: Roots of Conflict*, Syracuse, Syracuse University Press, pp. 1-39.

King, R.H.P., Gary Sick, Brian Urquhart, 1987, *United Nations and the Iran – Iraq War*, New York, Ford Foundation.

Owen, Roger, 2000, *State, Power, and Politics in the Making of the Modern Middle East, Second Edition*, New York: Routledge, Chapter 5 and 10.

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November 8, 2004

**(8) Saudi Arabia & the Gulf States: Elusive Gains & Strategic Costs**

**Required Reading:**

Fromkin, David, 2001. *A Peace to End All Peace*, New York: Henry Holt and Company, LLC, Chapters 8.

Gellner, Ernest. "Tribalism and the State in the Middle East", in Khoury, Philip S., Joseph Kostiner, Eds. 1990, *Tribes and State Formation in the Middle East*, Berkeley: University of California Press, pp. 109-126.

Kostiner, Joseph. "Transforming Dualities: Tribe and State Formation in Saudi Arabia", in Khoury, Philip S., Joseph Kostiner, Eds. 1990, *Tribes and State Formation in the Middle East*, Berkeley: University of California Press, pp. 226-251.

Owen, Roger, 2000, *State, Power, and Politics in the Making of the Modern Middle East, Second Edition*, New York: Routledge, Chapter 2.

Tibi, Bassam. "The Simultaneity of Unsimultaneous: Old Tribes and Imposed Nation-States in the Modern Middle East", in Khoury, Philip S., Joseph Kostiner, Eds. 1990, *Tribes and State Formation in the Middle East*, Berkeley: University of California Press, pp. 127-152.

Salame, Ghassan. "Political Power and the Saudi State", in Hourani, Albert, Philip S. Khoury, & Mary C. Wilson. Eds. 1993, *The Modern Middle East*. Berkeley : California Press, pp. 580-600.

**Related Reading:**

El-Baz, Farouk, et. al. "Detection by Satellite Images of Environmental Change due to the Gulf War", in .El-Baz, Farouk and R.M. Makharita Eds., 1994, *the Gulf War and the Environment*, Switzerland: Gordon and Breach Science Publishers, pp. 1-29.

Norton, Augustus Richard, "Political Reform in the Middle East", in Guazzone, Laura Ed., 1997, *The Middle East in Global Change: The Politics and Economics of Interdependence Versus Fragmentation*, New York: St. Martin's Press, pp. 3-22.

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November 15, 2004

**(9) Egypt & Sudan: Power & Interdependence**

**Required Reading:**

Cooley, John K., 1999, *Unholy Wars*, London/Sterling, Virginia: Pluto Press, Chapter 2.

Esposito, John L., 1995. *The Islamic Threat: Myth or Reality? (revised ed)* Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp 77-103.

Esposito, John L., Voll, John O. 1996. *Islam and Democracy*, New York: Oxford University Press, Chapters 4 and 8.

Fromkin, David, 2001. *A Peace to End All Peace*, New York: Henry Holt and Company, LLC, Chapter 44.

Khalidi, Rashid. "Consequences of the Suez Crisis in the Arab World", in Hourani, Albert, Philip S. Khoury, & Mary C. Wilson. Eds. 1993, *The Modern Middle East*. Berkeley: California Press, pp. 536-549.

Marsot, Afaf Lutfi Al-Sayyid. 1985, *A Short History of Modern Egypt*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, Chapters 1, 4, 6, and 7.

Shlaim, Avi. 2001. *The Iron Wall: Israel and the Arab World*. New York: Norton, Chapter 9.

**Related Reading:**

Marsot, Afaf Lutfi Al-Sayyid. 1985, *A Short History of Modern Egypt*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, Chapters 2, 3 and 5.

Smith, Charles D., 2004. *Palestine and the Arab-Israeli Conflict*, Fifth Edition, Boston: Bedford/ St. Martin's, Chapter 8.

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November 22, 2004

**(10) North Africa: Continuity of Conflicts & Contention**

**Required Reading:**

Anderson, Lisa. "Tribe and State: Libyan Anomalies", in Khoury, Philip S., Joseph Kostiner, Eds. 1990, *Tribes and State Formation in the Middle East*, Berkeley: University of California Press, pp. 288-302.

Esposito, John L., 1995. *The Islamic Threat: Myth or Reality? (revised ed)* Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp. 151-187.

Esposito, John L., Voll, John O. 1996. *Islam and Democracy*, New York: Oxford University Press, Chapter 7.

Vanderwalle, Dirk Ed. "The Libyan Jamahiriyya since 1969" in Vannedwalle, Dirk Ed, (1995), *Qadhafi's Libya 1969 to 1944*, New York: St. Martin's Press, Chapter 1.

Vanderwalle, Dirk, Karen Pfeifer, "North Africa as a Region Peripheral Economic Region: Development and Reform", in Vanderwalle, Dirk Ed., 1996, *North Africa: Development and Reform in a Changing Global Economy*, New York: St. Martin's Press, Chapter 1.

White, Gregory W., "The Mexico of Europe? Morocco's Partnership with the European Union", in Vandewalle, Dirk Ed., 1996, *North Africa: Development and Reform in a Changing Global Economy*, New York: St. Martin's Press, Chapter 5.

**Related Reading:**

Badran, Margot, "Competing Agenda: Feminists, Islam and the State in Nineteenth and Twentieth Century Egypt", in Kandiyoti, Deniz, ed., 1991, *Women Islam & the State*, Philadelphia: Temple University Press, Chapters 8 and 9.

Cooley, John K., 1999, *Unholy Wars*, London/Sterling, Virginia: Pluto Press, Chapter 9.

Marr, Phebe (2004). *The Modern History of Iraq*. Boulder: Westview Press Chapter 10

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November 29, 2004

**(11) Restructuration: Context, Continuity, Complexity**

**Required Reading:**

**Esposito, John L., Voll, John O. 1996. *Islam and Democracy*, New York: Oxford University Press, Conclusion.**

**Khalidi, Rashid (2004) *Resurrecting Empire Western Footprints and America's Perilous Path in the Middle East*. Boston, Beacon Press. Introduction, and Chapter 1, 3, 4, and 5**

**Marr, Phebe (2004). *The Modern History of Iraq*. Boulder: Westview Press Chapter 9, 10, 6**

**Said, Edward W., 1979, *Orientalism*, New York: Vintage Books. Introduction, Chapter 2, 3 and pp. 113-123**

**Related Reading:**

**Baker, Raymond W. (2003). *Islam Without Fear*. Cambridge, MA & London, England, Harvard University Press Introduction, Chapter 5 and 6.**

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December 6, 2004

**(12) Future Contentions: Exploring “Alternatives”**

**Required Reading:**

Andersen, Roy R., Robert F. Seibert, Jon G. Wagner, 2004, *Politics and Change in the Middle East: Sources of Conflict and Accommodation, Seventh Edition*, Engelwood Cliffs N.J.: Prentice Hall, Chapters 12, 13, and 14.

Guazzone, Laura, “A Map and Some Hypotheses for the Future of the Middle East”, in Guazzone, Laura Ed., 1997, *The Middle East in Global Change: The Politics and Economics of Interdependence Versus Fragmentation*, New York: St. Martin’s Press, pp. 237-259

Owen, Roger, 2000, *State, Power, and Politics in the Making of the Modern Middle East, Second Edition*, New York: Routledge, Chapters 10 and 11.

**Related Reading:**

Owen, Roger, 2000, *State, Power, and Politics in the Making of the Modern Middle East, Second Edition*, New York: Routledge, Conclusion.

Said, Edward W., 1992, *The Question of Palestine*, New York: Vintage Books, pp. 182-213.

Zureik, Elia, 1988, *Crime, “Justice, and Underdevelopment: The Palestinians under Israeli Control”*, *International Journal of Middle East Studies*, Vol. 20, pp 411-442.