

## Course literature

# Politics and Development in the Middle East, 7.5hp

## *Autumn semester 2023*

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### 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.

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- 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.
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- 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.
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- 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.

- 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 British-ruled 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.
- Schwarz, 2008. "The Political Economy of State-Formation in the Arab Middle East: Rentier States, Economic Reform and Democratization," *Review of International Political Economy*, 15(4): 599-621.
- 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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### Suggested Online Archival Resources

Students are asked to consult one or all of the following online sources of primary documents to produce the final paper expected to pass this course:

<https://www.agda.ae/en>

(established by the UAE government, consisting of documents taken from the British Public Records Office)

<https://www.qdl.qa/en>

(established by the government of Qatar, consisting of documents taken from the British Public Records Office and the India Office Records)

<https://history.state.gov/historicaldocuments/kennedy>

(This is for documents produced by the Kennedy Administration)

Other documents produced by the US archives, covering for instance, the events in the Persian Gulf:

<https://history.state.gov/historicaldocuments/frus1961-63v17>

<https://history.state.gov/historicaldocuments/frus1955-57v13>

<https://search.library.wisc.edu/digital/AFRUS>

<http://digicoll.library.wisc.edu/cgi-bin/FRUS/FRUS-idx?type=header&id=FRUS.FRUS1919v02>

Here is a neat example of how the US were concerned with communist/workers influence...in Kuwait, 1955

<https://history.state.gov/historicaldocuments/frus1955-57v13/d114>