

THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN
Department of History

Semester II Year 1981-82

<u>COURSE NO.</u>	<u>COURSE TITLE</u>	<u>INSTRUCTOR</u>
139	The Middle East in the Twentieth Century	Karpat

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course deals with the breakdown of the Ottoman state, the partition of the Middle East after World War I between France and England and the mandate system established there. It places special emphasis on the emergence of nationalist movements, the establishment of independent statehood as well as the changes in the social and political regimes, that is: abolishment of monarchies and adoption of a variety of radical social and political ideologies. The course covers in depth the emergence of Israel as a state and the Arab-Israeli conflicts and wars since 1948. It covers also Egypt, Syria, Jordan, Turkey, Iraq, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia and Iran. It devotes attention to the revolution in Iran, the regime of Khomeini and its possible effects

LECTURES

reliance on both lectures and discussion

WRITTEN ASSIGNMENTS and EXAMINATIONS

no formal paper: one mid-term and one final exam

GRADING SYSTEM

A-F

REQUIRED READINGS

2 texts assignments by page given out in class