

# MDSA 6374 : Seminar in Middle East Studies

This course complements [INST 3363](#) (Regional Study: North Africa and the Middle East) by examining the dynamics, debates, and crises that mark the modern Middle East. Topically it includes women and gender in the Middle East; the economics of oil; water as a scarce and contentious resource; Muslim fundamentalism; the Arab–Israeli conflict; the politics of armament. Topics rotate from semester to semester. It will strengthen methods and analytical capabilities for understanding the complexities of current affairs in this strategic world region.

**Credits** 3

**Course ID**

009199

**Requisites**

MDSA Prerequisites: Admission into the MDSA program.