

1	Course title	Arab political Systems and Human Rights
2	Course number	3002710
3	Credit hours (theory, practical)	3 hours
	Contact hours (theory, practical)	3 hours
4	Prerequisites/corequisites	None
5	Program title	Human Rights and Human Development
6	Program code	
7	Awarding institution	The University of Jordan
8	School	Prince Al Hussein bin Abdullah II School of International Studies
9	Department	International Development
10	Level of course	Master's
11	Year of study and semester (s)	
12	Final Qualification	
13	Other department (s) involved in teaching the course	
14	Language of Instruction	English
15	Date of production/revision	

16. Course Coordinator:

Office numbers, office hours, phone numbers, and email addresses should be listed.

17. Other instructors:

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18. Course Description:

The course analyzes structures and processes of Arab political systems and their impact on human rights in the Arab world. It also focuses on the social and cultural context of the political process and explains the causes behind the emergence and development of constitutional rights, concepts, and practices. Emphases are on the analysis of civil, political, economic and cultural rights. Through some case studies, the course analyzes the status quo of human rights in the Arab world and its relation to the political systems.

19. Course aims and outcomes:

C. COURSE OBJECTIVES: The objectives of this course are:

1. To understand structures and political processes of Arab political systems and their impact on human rights in the Arab world
2. To understand legitimacy crises facing Arab regimes.
3. To understand the social and cultural context of the political process and power relationship between the three branches of governments and the impact of that on human rights in the Arab world.
4. To understand the causes behind the emergence and development of constitutional rights, concepts, and practices in the Arab world.
5. To understand the dynamic relationship between politics, human rights, and legitimacy crises.
6. To develop an understanding of human rights issues in the Arab world, particularly in Jordan as representing the monarchical systems and Egypt as representing the republic systems.
7. To help develop skills in writing term papers.
8. To provide practice in oral presentations, and to sharpen the analysis of current events.

20. Topic Outline and Schedule:

Tentative Schedule		
Date	Day	Topic& readings
Sept., 27	Sunday	Introduction & General description of the course, and Arab politics and Human Rights Perspectives.
Oct.,4	Sunday	The Legitimacy Problem in Arab politics. (Hudson: 1-30)
Oct.,11	Sunday	The Elements of Arab Identity. (Hudson: 33-55)
Oct., 18 & Oct., 25	Sunday	Cultural Pluralism in the Arab World. (Hudson: 56-81) Crises of Authority. (Hudson: 82-106)
Nov., 1	Sunday	Modernization and Its Consequences.(Hudson: 126-162)
Nov., 8 & Nov., 15	Sunday	The Modernizing Monarchies. (Hudson: 165-182, 209-229) https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Politics_of_Jordan http://countrystudies.us/jordan/52.htm <u>Midterm Exam</u>
Nov., 22	Sunday	The Republics of the Pan-Arab Core. (Hudson: 230-251) and (389-404)
Nov., 29	Sunday	The Effects of External Forces on Jordan's Process of Democratization (Ali Kassay in Joffe', George ed. :45-62) Liberalization or Democratization? (Ranjit Singh in in Joffe', George ed. : 66-82)
Dec., 6	Sunday	Jordan's Democratic process (Makhadmeh, Dhiyab in Hourani and

		Abu-Rumman eds. : 31-47) Regional and Internal Factors and Their Impact on Jordan's Democratic Process (u'nis in in Hourani and Abu-Rumman eds. : 49-64). Jordan's Political System and Local Factors (Al-Nimri, Jamil in Hourani and Abu-Rumman eds.: 65-72). The Judiciary, Human Rights and Democracy (Sweiss, Suleiman in Hourani and Abu-Rumman eds.: 131-159)
Dec., 13	Sunday	Government and the State in Egypt Today (Ayubi, Nazih in Trippand Owen eds. : 1-18) NegativThe State Against Individual Liberties and Groups (Kienle : 89-130) http://www.123independenceday.com/egypt/political-system.html http://countrystudies.us/egypt/105.htm
Dec., 20	Sunday	Career Week - Guest speakers from NGOs
Dec., 27	Sunday	Paper discussion Term paper Due
Jan., 3	Sunday	Paper discussion Final Exam to be Arranged According to University scheduals

21. Teaching Methods and Assignments:

<p>Development of ILOs is promoted through the following teaching and learning methods:</p> <p>Lectures, classroom discussion, presentation, research, and exams.</p>

22. Evaluation Methods and Course Requirements:

<p>Opportunities to demonstrate achievement of the ILOs are provided through the following assessment methods and requirements:</p> <p>F. GRADING PLAN: Coursework will be weighted as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mid-term exam (20 pts.) 2. Oral presentation (10 pts.) 3. Term paper (20 pts.) 4. Final exam(40 pts.) 5. Attendance and participation (10 pts.) <p>Attendance will be graded as follows:</p> <table style="margin-left: 40px;"> <tr> <td>One and or no absences</td> <td>10 pts.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Two absences</td> <td>8 pts.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Three absences</td> <td>5 pts.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Four or more absences</td> <td>F (failing the course).</td> </tr> </table>	One and or no absences	10 pts.	Two absences	8 pts.	Three absences	5 pts.	Four or more absences	F (failing the course).
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23. Course Policies:**CLASSROOM RULES OF CONDUCT**

Food and beverages are not permitted in the classroom. This includes plate lunches, drinks, candy, etc. whether opened or not.

24. Required equipment: (Facilities, Tools, Labs, Training...)

Computer's Lab

25. References:**E. Required text**

- Hudson, Michael (1977), Arab Politics, The Search For Legitimacy. New Haven and London: Yale University.
- Joffe', George ed. (2002), Jordan in Transition 1900-2000. London: Hurst and Company.
- Horani, Hani and Hussein Abu-Rumman eds.(1996) , The Democratic Process in Jordan, Amman: Al-Urdun Al-Jadid Research Center:..
- Kienle, Eberhard , (2001), A Grand Delusion: Democracy and Economic Reform in Egypt.London and New York: I. B. tauris Publishers.
- Tripp, Charles and Roger Owen eds., (1989), Egypt Under Mubarak. London and New York:Routledge
- <http://www.123independenceday.com/egypt/political-system.html>
- <http://countrystudies.us/egypt/105.htm>
- https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Politics_of_Jordan
- <http://countrystudies.us/jordan/52.htm>

26. Additional information:

Name of Course Coordinator: -----Signature: ----- Date: -----

Head of curriculum committee/Department: ----- Signature: -----

Head of Department: ----- Signature: -----

Head of curriculum committee/Faculty: ----- Signature: -----

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