

CULTURE of the ARAB WORLD

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A -TERM

NEAR E 496 A (12343)

TTh 10:20-1:30

CDH 125

5 credits

B -TERM

NEAR E 496 B (12344)

TTh 10:20-1:30

DEN 206

5 credits

This course offers a general survey of linguistic, social, and cultural aspects of the modern Arab world. The topics covered in class include the Arabic language, family, the Arab experience in the U.S., Arab American relations, social change, and Arab art and music. The course material explores these topics through lectures and films in addition to discussions based upon the assigned readings and lectures.

Grades are based upon class participation and weekly short essays. There is no final exam. This course is taught in English and has no prerequisites.

A-term and B-term courses may be taken independently or together.

