SOC 303 – Middle Eastern Studies

Course Description

Offers an integrative approach to cultural and political life in the Middle East. Enables students to understand the political results of Islamic culture and to recognize the diversity of cultures within the Islamic civilization. Examines historically the cultural, political, and military interactions between the Middle East and the West.

Instructional Materials


Course Learning Outcomes

1. Give a brief history of Islam
2. Give a brief history of modern Middle East
3. Identify westernization and modernization cultural resistance to change
4. Explain the role of religion in formation of cultural patterns and legal/political institutions
5. List rise of new religious, political, and social ideas
6. Identify the causes of economic and political decline of the Middle East