Politics, Climate and Football in the Middle East and Northern Africa

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Short description:
The course presents and analyzes Middle Eastern political activity in unofficial spheres through four sections: environment, capital markets, sports, and social media. It is a unique course which combines theoretical and practical aspects of different concepts. By focusing on the mentioned concepts with an emphasis on Arabic, Turkish, and Persian-speaking regions the course will reveal the human dimension of the Middle East. Thus, the course provides an understanding of how unofficial politics is conducted in the Middle East, with social action.

Assessment*:
Final Paper: 70% (2000-3000 words (8-12 pages)
Mid Term Paper: 19% (1000 words – 4 pages)
Attendance: Obligatory - 11%

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Attendance is mandatory. Students are permitted a maximum of three absences without penalty. Any additional absences will affect the final grade and may result in failure of the course.

Academic conduct:
Plagiarism is taken extremely seriously. Any instance of academic misconduct which includes: submitting someone else’s work as your own; failure to accurately cite sources; taking words from another source without using quotation marks; submission of work for which you have previously received credit; working in a group for individual assignments; using unauthorized materials in an exam and sharing your work with other students, will result in failure of the assignment and will likely lead to further disciplinary measures.

* Please note that if distance learning is required, the assessment procedure, modes of assessment and weightings may be changed.