



Short Syllabus



Course Title

Narratives, Ideologies, Social Media: The Israeli Palestinian Conflict Online

Lecturer

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Short Description

We all know today that the medium is the message. In a diachronic perspective, social media have their unique effect on the reception of messages, grounded in ideologies and conveying narratives. From Occupy Wall Street to the Arab Spring, there is no way we can understand these movements for political change without the effect of the smartphone. In this course, we will examine the Israeli Palestinian conflict as it flares online on social media. We will study the various colliding ideologies and narratives that underpin this tragic conflict and then we will examine their presence in popular expression on social media, from Facebook, to Twitter, to Tiktok.

Final grade components

Minor assignments:

One response paper (10%)

Oral presentations for extra credit (optional)

Midterm:

In class Midterm (15%)

Final requirement:

Take-home paper, 5-6 pages (1250-1500 words, double spaced) (65%)

Participation:

(10%)

Attendance

Attendance is mandatory. Students are permitted a maximum of three unauthorized 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.*



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Final assignment

Exam dates and submission deadlines are published on the Liberal Arts website. Courses with a final exam also have a second make-up exam. Students requiring an extension for a final paper must submit an Academic Committee Request Form to the Liberal Arts office in advance of the deadline. Late papers will be subject to a point deduction.*

Additional requirements

* See Liberal Arts academic handbook for further details