

Pol. Sci. 121
Government and Politics of the Middle East

Fall 2014 Tuesday-Thursday 2:00-3:20 Pepper Canyon Hall Room 122

Professor Sanford Lakoff

TAs: Konstantin Ash, Liesl Spangler

Office Hour: Tuesday 3:45-4:45 SSB 442. Home telephone 619-296-1039; fax 619-688-1684

E-mail: slakoff@ucsd.edu

Course requirements: mid-term exam (25 percent), final exam (75 percent). **Midterm exam (80 minutes) will cover material in Part I only. Final exam (3 hours) will cover the work of entire course, emphasizing Parts II-IV. Term paper is optional.** Term paper grade will be counted only if it raises the course grade. Course grade would then be composed of midterm (20 percent), paper (40 percent) and final exam (40 percent). Term paper must be on a suggested (see list below) or approved topic, between 2,000 and 2,500 words. **Final deadline for submission of term paper is Dec. 9.** If submitted **by no later than Nov. 25**, it will be returned with comments and a provisional grade **one week later**, and may be revised and resubmitted by the final deadline; the higher of the two grades will count.

Written versions of each week's lectures will be posted, along with other required or optional readings, on the Geisel Library website by Friday or Saturday of the week in which they are scheduled. They are accessible via reserves.ucsd.com. You will need a student network ID and password for access, or, from off campus, a browser configuration. For info on this see <http://www-no.ucsd.edu/documentation/squid/index.html>. If you encounter problems of access, contact the Geisel Library Reserves desk.

Required for purchase: Mary Habeck, *Knowing the Enemy: Jihadist Ideology and the War on Terror* (Yale UP, paperback); Ellen Lust, ed., *The Middle East* (Congressional Quarterly Press, 13th edition only); **recommended:** a subscription to the Monday-Friday editions of *The New York Times* for the ten weeks of the course.

Recommended for Purchase: For prior history of the Arab-Israeli conflict: either Mark Tessler, *A History of the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict* (paperback), or Howard M. Sachar, *A History of Israel* (paperback). For the recent history: Dennis Ross, *The Missing Peace: the Inside Story of the Fight for Middle East Peace*; for the possible resolutions: Asher Susser, *Israel, Jordan, and Palestine: the Two-State Imperative*. For the rise of al Qaeda, Lawrence Wright, *The Looming Tower*. For the "Arab Spring," see Bruce K. Rutherford, *Egypt After Mubarak* (2013 edition with a new introduction, in paperback) and essays from the *Journal of Democracy* in Larry Diamond and Marc F. Plattner, eds., *Democratization and Authoritarianism in the Arab World*.

For Information: CIA, *The World Fact Book* (maps, basic data country by country) – on the internet.

I. Overview, History, and Background

Oct. 2 Lecture 1: Turmoil and Transition: An Overview of the Region

Oct. 7 Lecture 2: The Middle East in Early Modern History

Oct. 9 Lecture 3: The Middle East Since World War I

Oct. 14 Lecture 4: Islam, Islamism, and Jihadism

Oct. 16 Lecture 5: Conflict, Insecurity, and Political Violence in the Region

Oct. 21 Midterm Exam Prep: Class discussion of assigned reading

Reading:

The Middle East, chapters 1-3, 5 (pp. 1-160, 209-245)

Habeck, entire.

Recommended: Introduction to the paperback edition, Rutherford, *Egypt After Mubarak*

optional: Lakoff, "The Reality of Muslim Exceptionalism," *Journal of Democracy* (October 2004), pp. 133-139; Lakoff, "Making Sense of the Senseless: Analyzing the 'War on Terror'" (public lecture)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23, MID-TERM EXAM (on material in Part I)

II. Comparing the Regimes

Oct. 28 Lecture 6: Regime Types and Explanatory Variables

Oct. 30 Lecture 7, 7a: Authoritarian-Dynastic: Saudi Arabia and other Arab Gulf states; Authoritarian-Dictatorial: Syria; Proto-Totalitarian: Iraq under Saddam Hussein, Libya under Qadhafi

Nov. 4 Lecture 8: Authoritarian-Theocratic: Iran (and Sudan for a time, Afghanistan under the Taliban)

Nov. 6 Lecture 9: Semi-Authoritarian Constitutional Monarchies: Jordan, Morocco; Semi-Authoritarian/Republican: Algeria

Nov. 11 Lecture 10: Democratic (1): Turkey, Lebanon (1943-1975)

Nov. 13 Lecture 11: Democratic (2): Israel

Nov. 18 Regimes in Transition: Iraq, Egypt, Tunisia, Libya, Yemen

Reading: *The Middle East* chaps. 4, 9-24 (pp. 143-192, 371-778).

Lakoff, "Power to the People? Prospects for Democracy in the Middle East" (work in progress, on Library web reserve)

III. The Arab/Muslim/Palestinian-Israeli Conflict

Nov. 20 Lecture 13: Zionism as Ideology and Movement

Nov. 25 Lecture 14: Palestine during British Rule under the League of Nations Mandate (1920-1948)

NOV. 25: DEADLINE FOR EARLY SUBMISSION OF OPTIONAL TERM PAPER

Nov. 27 **THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY**

Dec. 2 Lecture 15: From War to War—and Partial Peace (1948-1979)

Dec. 4 Lecture 16: The Rise of Palestinian Arab Nationalism and the Split Between Fatah and Hamas

Dec. 9 Lecture 17: The "Peace Process:" from the Oslo Accords (1993) to the Present

Reading: *The Middle East*, chapter 6 (pp.238-311); optional: Lakoff, "Herzl as an Intellectual" (public lecture)

Recommended: Books by Tessler, Sachar, Quandt, *Peace Process*; Ross; Susser.

DEC. 9 FINAL DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF OPTIONAL TERM PAPER

IV. The U.S. and the Middle East

Dec. 11 Lecture 17 and class discussion: Defining and Pursuing the National Interest: U.S. Policy in the Middle East

Reading: Lakoff, "Leading from Behind: the 'Obama Doctrine' and the Middle East," IINS, *Strategic Survey* (2013); *The Middle East*, chaps. 7-8; optional: Lakoff, "Desert Snowstorm: Revisionism and the Gulf War" (*Journal of Policy History*, 6:2, 1994), pp. 209-231

Suggested Topics for Optional Term Paper (Other topics acceptable with approval)

1. The Two-State Solution: Can It Be Made to Work?

The premise underlying the 1993 Oslo Accords between Israel and the PLO and the later "Road Map" and Annapolis Summit agreement is the creation of a viable Palestinian state in territories on the West Bank of the Jordan River and Gaza, coupled with a permanent agreement on boundaries, the status of refugees, and other issues. What are the major obstacles to the achievement of such a solution? Might an alternative be more feasible?

2. Islam and Democracy

Common to most Middle Eastern Muslim societies, David Pryce-Jones notes, "is the rule of a single power holder around whose ambitions the state has been arranged.... Every Arab state is explicitly Muslim in confession. Nowhere is there participation in the political process corresponding to any conception of representative democracy. No parliament or assembly except by appointment of the power holder, no freedom of expression throughout rigidly

state-controlled media, no opinion polls, nothing except a riot to determine what public opinion might be.” But some Muslim-majority countries (such as Indonesia and Turkey) are democratic to a significant degree and others (Iraq, Egypt, Libya) are undergoing democratization. How might these countries reconcile Islam and democracy – or is that too difficult?

3. Religion and the State

Is a “wall of separation” between religion and politics essential to civil liberty? Discuss in regard to tensions between religion and secular culture in one or two Middle East countries, such as Israel, Turkey, Iran, Saudi Arabia, or Egypt.

4. What Future for Iran?

In view of the dissatisfaction of so many of its people, especially the young and middle class, as evident in the “Green movement,” could Iran’s “Islamic Republicanism” evolve in the direction of western-style democracy, as other authoritarian regimes have? Or does its foundation on religious principles enforced by an entrenched clerical regime united with the Revolutionary Guard militate against a peaceful transition to democracy?

7. Electoral Reform in Israel

Many democracies rely on proportional representation (PR) as an electoral system. In Israel’s case, however, PR has been criticized for encouraging a destabilizing fragmentation and political irresponsibility. Would Israel’s democracy be strengthened or weakened if its reliance on proportional representation were seriously modified or replaced?

8. Islam and the Status of Women

What is the status of women in Islam and in practice in the Islamic countries of the Middle East? Is their status compatible with universal standards of human rights? (You may wish to restrict the number of countries you consider.)

9. “Holy Terror:” “Islamism” and the New “Jihadis”

Various groups of Middle Eastern origin that engage in terrorism—Al Qaeda, Hamas, the Algerian A.I.G., Hezbollah, ISIS, and others—portray themselves as “jihadis,” religious warriors defending Islam and the Muslim *umma* against attacks from “infidels” and corruption by “apostates.” Others who do not engage in terrorism also embrace the doctrine that has been called “Islamism” or “Islamic fundamentalism”—a highly politicized form of Islamic belief. Are these movements using a distorted version of Islamic belief or does their widespread existence point to a “clash of civilizations”—i.e., some deep fundamental antagonism between Islamic and modern non-Islamic values?

10. The Arab Spring and the Prospects for a Democratic Transition

What are the main obstacles to a transition to liberal democracy in Egypt and the other Arab countries in which authoritarian regimes have been overthrown? What measures might be taken to improve the prospects for transition?

Select Bibliography

General

- Anderson, Scott. *Lawrence in Arabia: War, Deceit, Imperial Folly and the Making of the Modern Middle East*
- Baakalini, Aldo, Guilain Denooux, and Robert Springborg. *Legislative Politics in the Arab World*
- Beinen, Joel and Frederic Vairel, eds. *Social Movements, Mobilization, and Contestation in the Middle East and North Africa*
- Brynen, Rex, Baghat Korany, and Paul Noble, eds. *Political Liberalization and Democratization in the Arab World* (vol. I, Theoretical Perspectives; vol. 2, Comparative Experiences)
- Cleveland, William. *A History of the Modern Middle East*
- Freedom House. *Freedom in the Middle East and North Africa* (report on 19 countries)
- Fromkin, David. *A Peace to End All Peace: The Fall of the Ottoman Empire and the Creation of the Modern Middle East*
- Goldschmidt, Arthur, Jr. *A Concise History of the Middle East* (Seventh Edition)
- Harrison, Lawrence and Samuel P. Huntington, eds. *Culture Matters*
- Henry, Clement M. and Robert Springborg, eds. *Globalization and the Politics of Development in the Middle East*
- Hoge, James F., Jr. and Gideon Rose, eds. *How Did This Happen? Terrorism and the New War*
- Hourani, Albert et al., eds. *The Modern Middle East*
- Howard, Philip N. *The Digital Origins of Dictatorship and Democracy: Information Technology and Political Islam*
- Huntington, Samuel P. *The Clash of Civilizations and the Remaking of World Order*
- Irwin, Robert. *Dangerous Knowledge*. (See Said, Orientalism.)

Jabar, Faleh and Hosham Dawood, eds. *Tribes and Power: Nationalism and Ethnicity in the Middle East*
 Karsh, Efraim. *Empires of the Sand: The Struggle for Mastery in the Middle East, 1787-1923*.
 Karsh, Efraim. *Rethinking the Middle East*
 Kedourie, Elie. *Democracy and Arab Political Culture*
 Kedourie, Elie. *Politics in the Middle East*
 Kepel, Gilles. *Beyond Terror and Martyrdom: the Future of the Middle East*
 Koonings, Kees and Dirk Kruijt, eds. *Political Armies: The Military and Nation Building in the Age of Democracy* [includes discussion of Turkey and Algeria]
 The Koran (trans. N.J. Dawood; Penguin)
 Kramer, Martin. *Sandstorm*. (See Said, Orientalism.)
 Lakoff, Sanford. *Democracy: History, Theory, Practice*
 Lakoff, Sanford, "Democracy," *Encyclopedia of Nationalism (Volume I)*
 Lakoff, Sanford. *Ten Political Ideas that have Shaped the Modern World*
 Lapidus, Ira. *A History of Islamic Societies*
 Laqueur, Walter and Yonah Alexander, eds. *The Terrorism Reader*
 Laqueur, Walter. *The Age of Terrorism*
 Lewis, Bernard. *The Middle East: 2000 Years of History from the Rise of Christianity to the Present Day*
 Lewis, Bernard. *Notes on a Century: Reflections of a Middle East Historian*
 Lijphart, Arend, *Patterns of Democratic Government*
 Lockman, Zachary. *Contending Visions of the Middle East: The History and Politics of Orientalism*
 Long, David E. and Bernard Reich, eds. *The Government and Politics of the Middle East and North Africa*
 Meriweather, Margaret Lee and Judith E. Tucker. *A Social History of Women and Gender in the Modern Middle East*
 Meyer, Karl E. and Shareen Blair Brysac. *Kingmakers: The Invention of the Modern Middle East*
 Niblock, Tim, and Rodney Wilson, eds. *The Political Economy of the Middle East* (six volumes)
 Norris, Pippa, and Ronald Inglehart. *Rising Tide: Gender Equality and Cultural Change*. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2003.
 Pappé, Ilan. *The Modern Middle East*
 Quandt, William. *The Middle East: Ten Years After Camp David*
 Nisan, Mordechai. *Minorities in the Middle East: A History of Struggle and Self-Expression*
 Richards, Alan and John Waterbury. *A Political Economy of the Middle East*
 Rueschmeyer, Dietrich et al., *Capitalist Development and Democracy*
 Sachar, Howard M. *The Emergence of the Middle East 1914-1924*
 Sadiki, Larb. *Rethinking Arab Democratization*
 Said, Edward. *Orientalism*. (See for counter-views, Kramer, Sandstorm, and Irwin, *Dangerous Knowledge*.)
 Sharabi, Hisham. *Government and Politics of the Middle East in the Twentieth Century*
 Sick, Gary G. and Lawrence G. Potter, eds. *The Persian Gulf at the Millennium: Essays in Politics, Economy, Security, and Religion*
 Tanter, Raymond. *Rogue Regimes: Terrorism and Proliferation*
 Tolan, John, Gilles Veinstein and Henry Laurens. *Europe and the Islamic World: A History*
 Wistrich, Robert. *Anti-Semitism*

Journals

Foreign Affairs; The Middle East Contemporary Survey (annual); Middle East Journal; International Journal of Middle East Studies; Israel Studies; Jerusalem Report; Journal of Democracy; Middle Eastern Studies; Muslim World Journal of Human Rights; The Jerusalem Quarterly; The Journal of Palestinian Studies; Arab Reform Bulletin (available online at www.ceip.org/ArabReform)

Newspapers: *Ha'aretz* (Israel) and the *Jerusalem Post* (Israel) are accessible free via the internet, as are *The Daily Star* (Lebanon) and *al-Ahram Weekly* (Egypt). Selected translations from Arab media are provided on MEMRI.com.

The Arabs

Ajami, Fouad. *The Arab Predicament: Arab Political Thought and Practice Since 1967*
 Ajami, Fouad. *The Dream Palace of the Arabs: A Generation's Odyssey*
 Antonius, George. *The Arab Awakening*
 Dawisha, Adeed. *Arab Nationalism in the Twentieth Century*
 Doumato, Eleanor A. and Marsha P. Pososny, eds. *Women and Globalization in the Arab Middle East*
 Field, Michael. *Inside the Arab World*
 Gelvin, James L. *The Arab Uprisings*
 Hitti, Philip. *The Arabs: A Short History*
 Hourani, Albert. *A History of Arab Peoples*

Hudson, Michael. Arab Politics: The Search for Legitimacy
 Kerr, Malcolm. The Arab Cold War, 1958-1964; A Study of Ideology in Politics
 Khalidi, Rashid. The Origins of Arab Nationalism
 Kimche, David. The Second Arab Awakening
 Laqueur, Walter. The Israel-Arab Reader.
 Lynch, Marc. The Arab Uprising: The Unfinished Revolutions of the Middle East
 Lust, Ellen and Lina Khatib, eds., Taking It to the Streets: Activism, Arab Uprisings, and Democracy
 McMurray, David and Amanda Ufheil-Somers, eds., The Arab Revolts: Dispatches on Militant Democracy in the Middle East
 Merlini, Cesare and Olivier Roy, eds. Arab Society in Revolt
 Polk, William. The Arab World Today
 Pryce-Jones, David. The Closed Circle: An Interpretation of the Arabs
 Rand, Dafna Hochman. Roots of the Arab Spring: Contested Authority and Political Change in the Middle East
 Springborg, Patricia. Western Republicanism and the Oriental Prince
 Tibi, Bassam. Arab Nationalism: Between Islam and the Nation-State (third edition)
 Viorst, Milton. Sandcastles: the Arabs in Search of the Modern World
 Zahlan, A.B. Science, Development, and Sovereignty in the Arab World

Iraq

Al-Khalil, Samir. (pseudonym of Kanan Makiya). Republic of Fear: the Politics of Modern Iraq
 Amnesty International. Iraq: Evidence of Torture
 Arato, Andrew. Constitution Making Under Occupation: The Politics of Imposed Revolution in Iraq
 Baram, Amatzia. Building Toward Crisis: Saddam's Strategy for Survival
 Barnaby, Frank. The Invisible Bomb. The Nuclear Arms Race in the Middle East
 Barzani, Massoud. Mustafa Barzani and the Kurdish Liberation Movement
 Bengio, Ofra. Saddam's Word: Political Discourse in Iraq
 Dawisha, Adeel. "The Long and Winding Road to Iraqi Democracy," *Perspectives on Politics* (Sept. 2010), pp. 877-885
 Farouk-Sluglett, Marion and Peter Sluglett. Iraq Since 1958: From Revolution to Dictatorship
 Jaber, Faleh A. Ayatollahs, Sufis and Ideologies: State, Religion, and Social Movements in Iraq
 Jaber, Faleh A. The Shi'a Movement in Iraq
 Karsh, Ephraim, and Rautsi, Inari. Saddam Hussein: A Political Biography.
 Khadduri, Majid. Independent Iraq: A Study in Iraqi Politics from 1932 to 1958
 Khadduri, Majid. Republican Iraq: A Study in Iraqi Politics Since 1968
 Khadduri, Majid. Socialist Iraq
 Little, David and Donald K. Swearer. Religion and Nationalism in Iraq
 Mackey, Sandra. The Reckoning: Iraq and the Legacy of Saddam Hussein
 Marr, Phoebe. The Modern History of Iraq (Second Edition)
 McDowell, David. A Modern History of the Kurds
 Munson, Peter J. Iraq in Transition: The Legacy of Dictatorship and the Prospects for Democracy
 Nakash, Yitzhak. The Shi'is of Iraq
 O'Ballance, Edgar. The Kurdish Revolt, 1961-1970
 Randal, Jonathan C. After Such Knowledge, What Forgiveness? My Encounters with Kurdistan
 Styan, David. France and Iraq: Oil, Arms and French Policy Making in the Middle East
 Tripp, Charles. A History of Iraq
 Vali, Abbas. Modernity and the Stateless: The Kurdish Question in Iraq

Iran

Ansari, Ali. Iran, Islam, and Democracy: The Politics of Managing Change
 Arjomand, Said Amir. After Khomeini: Iran Under His Successor
 Axworthy, Michael. Revolutionary Iran: A History of the Islamic Republic
 Azimi, Fakhreddin. The Quest for Democracy in Iran: A Century of Struggle Against Authoritarian Rule
 Bakhash, Shaul. The Reign of the Ayatollahs: Iran and the Islamic Revolution
 Bahari, Maziar with Aimee Molly. Then They Came for Me: A Family's Story of Love, Captivity and Survival
 Brumberg, Daniel. Reinventing Khomeini: the Struggle for Reform in Iran
 Buchan, James. Days of God: the Revolution in Iran and its Consequences
 Buchta, Wilfried. Who Rules Iran? The Structure of Power in the Islamic Republic
 Clawson, Patrick et al. Iran Under Khatami: A Political, Economic, and Military Assessment
 De Bellaigue, Christopher M. Patriot of Persia: Muhammad Mossadegh and a Tragic Anglo-American Coup
 Fischer, Michael M.J. Iran; from Religious Dispute to Revolution
 Ganji, Manouchar. Defying the Iranian Revolution: From a Minister of the Shah to a Leader of Resistance
 Gheissari, Ali and Vali Nasr. Democracy in Iran: History and the Quest for Liberty

Heydemann, Steven, and Reinoud Leenders, eds. *Middle East Authoritarianisms: Governance, Contestation, and Regime Resilience in Syria and Iran*

Hiro, Dilip. *The Iranian Labyrinth: Journeys Through Theocratic Iran and its Furies*

Hoveyda, Fereydoun. *The Shah and the Ayatollah: Iranian Mythology and Islamic Revolution*

Kanovsky, Eliyahu. *Iran's Economic Morass: Mismanagement and Decline Under the Islamic Republic*

Katouzian, Homa and Hossein Shahidi, eds. *Iran in the 21st Century: Politics, Economics, and Conflict*

Keddie, Nikki R. *Modern Iran: Roots and Results of Revolution* (available October 2003)

Kinzer, Stephen. *All the Shah's Men: An American Coup and the Roots of Middle East Terror*

Kurzman, Charles. *The Unthinkable Revolution in Iran*

Mackey, Sandra. *The Iranians*

Majd, Hooman. *The Ayatollahs' Democracy: An Iranian Challenge*

Maleki, Abbas. *Iranian Foreign Policy: Past, Present and Future Scenarios*

Milani, Mohsen M. *The Making of Iran's Islamic Revolution* (second edition)

Mirsepasi, Ali. *Political Islam, Iran and the Enlightenment: Philosophies of Hope and Despair*

Moaveni, Azadeh. *Lipstick Jihad*

Mousavian, Seyed Hossein. *The Iranian Nuclear Crisis: A Memoir*

Moin, Baqer. *Khomeini: Life of the Ayatollah*

Mottahadeh, Roy. *The Mantle of the Prophet: Religion and Politics in Iran*

Naipaul, V.S. *Among the Believers: An Islamic Journey*

O'Ballance, Edgar. *Islamic Fundamentalism and Terrorism: The Iranian Connection*

Pipes, Daniel. *The Rushdie Affair: the Novel, the Ayatollah, and the West*

Rubin, Michael. *Into the Shadows: Radical Vigilantes in Khatami's Iran*

Samore, Gary, ed. *Iran's Strategic Weapons Programmes: A Net Assessment*

Sciolino, Elaine. *Persian Mirrors: the Elusive Face of Iran*

Shaffer, Brenda. *Partners in Need: The Strategic Relationship of Russia and Iran*

Shirley, Edward. *Know Thine Enemy: A Spy's Journey into Revolutionary Iran*

Soroush, Abdolkarim. *Reason, Freedom, and Democracy in Iran*

Takeyh, Ray. *Guardians of the Revolution: Iran and the World in the Age of the Ayatollahs*

Takeyh, Ray. *Hidden Iran: Paradox and Power in the Islamic Republic*

Wright, Robin. *The Last Great Revolution: Turmoil and Transformation in Iran*

Wright, Robin. *In the Name of God: The Khomeini Decade*

Zahedi, Darloush. *The Iranian Revolution Then and Now: Indicators of Regime Instability*

Islam and Politics

Abu-Amr, Ziad. *Islamic Fundamentalism in the West Bank and Gaza*

Ahmed, Leila. *Women and Gender in Islam: Historical Roots of a Modern Debate*

An-Na'im, Abdullah Ahmed. *Islam and the Secular State: Negotiating the Future of Shar'ia*

Atwan, Abdel Bari. *The Secret History of Al-Qa'ida*

Ayoob, Mohammed. *The Many Faces of Political Islam: Religion and Politics in the Muslim World*

Ayubi, Nazih. *Political Islam: Religion and Politics in the Arab World*

Badrawi, Malak. *Al-Azhar and the Arab World: Moulding the Political and Ideological Consciousness*

Bat Ye'or. *The Dhimmi: Jews and Christians Under Islam*

Bayat, Asef. *Making Islam Democratic*

Beinin, Joel and Joe Stork, eds. *Political Islam*

Benjamin, David and Steven Simon. *The Age of Sacred Terror*

Bennoune, Karima. *Your Fatwa Does Not Apply Here: Untold Stories from the Fight Against Muslim Fundamentalism*

Bergen, Peter L. *Holy War, Inc.: the Secret World of Osama bin Laden*

Bergesen, Albert J., ed. *The Sayyid Qutb Reader: Selected Writings on Politics, Religion and Society*

Black, Antony. *The History of Islamic Political Thought; from the Prophet to the Present*

Bodansky, Yossef. *Bin Laden: The Man Who Declared War on America*

Bodman, Herbert L. and Nayereh E. Tohidi. *Women in Muslim Societies: Diversity Within Unity*

Bonner, Michael. *Jihad in Islamic History*

Bradley, John R. *After the Arab Spring: How Islamists Highjacked The Middle East Revolts*

Brooks, Geraldine. *Nine Parts of Desire: The Hidden Worlds of Islamic Women*

Brown, L. Carl. *Religion and State: The Muslim Approach to Politics*

Burke, Edmund and Ira Lapidus, eds. *Islam, Politics, and Social Movements*

Calvert, John. *Sayyid Qutb and the Origins of Radical Islam*

Cesari, Jacqueline. *When Islam and Democracy Meet*

Ciftci, Sabri. "Modernization, Islam, or Social Capital: What Explains Attitudes toward Democracy in the Muslim World?" *Comparative Political Studies* 43(11):1442-1470.

Cook, Michael. *The Koran: A Very Short Introduction*

Cook, Michael and Patricia Crone. Hagarism: The Making of the Islamic World
 Croft, Stuart, Securitizing Islam: Identity and the Search for Security
 Coulson, Noel J. A History of Islamic Law
 Crone, Patricia. God's Rule-- Government and Islam
 Crone, Patricia. Slaves on Horses: the Evolution of the Islamic Polity.
 Davidson, Lawrence. Islamic Fundamentalism (includes "Primary Documents")
 Delong-Bas, Natana. Wahhabi Islam: From Revival and Reform to Global Jihad
 Donner, Fred. Muhammed and the Believers
 Duran, Khalid. Children of Abraham: An Introduction to Islam for Jews
 El Fadl, Khaled Abou. Rebellions and Violence in Islamic Law
 El Fadl, Khaled Abou. Speaking in God's Name: Islamic Law, Authority and Women
 El Fadl, Khaled Abou, et al. The Place of Tolerance in Islam
 Encyclopedia of Islam
 Entelis, John,ed. Islam, Democracy, and the State in North Africa
 Esposito, John. What Everybody Needs to Know About Islam
 Esposito, John L. The Islamic Threat: Myth or Reality?
 Esposito, John L. Political Islam: Revolution, Radicalism or Reform?
 Esposito, John L. Unholy War: Terror in the Name of Islam
 Esposito, John L. and Dalia Mogahed. Who Speaks for Islam? What a Billion Muslims Really Think
 Ferdinand, Klaus and Mehdi Mozafarri. Islam: State and Society
 Feldman, Noah. After Jihad: America and the Struggle for Islamic Democracy
 Feldman, Noah. The Fall and Rise of the Islamic State
 Fischer, Michael M.J. and Mehdi Abedi. Debating Muslims: Cultural Dialogues in Postmodernity and Tradition
 Freedom House, Women's Rights in the Middle East and North Africa
 Friedman, Isaiah. British Miscalculations: The Rise of Muslim Nationalism 1918-1925
 Fuller, Graham E. The Future of Political Islam
 Fuller, Graham E. and Rend Rahim Francke, The Arab Shi'a: the Forgotten Muslims
 Gellner, Ernest. Muslim Society
 Gerber, Haim. The Social Origins of the Modern Middle East
 Gerges, Fawaz A. The Far Enemy: Why Jihad Went Global
 Gregorian, Vartan: Islam: A Mosaic, Not a Monolith
 Haddad, Yvonne Yazbeck and Barbara F. Stowasser, eds. Islamic Law and the Challenges of Modernity
 Hafez, Mohammed M. Why Muslims Rebel: Repression and Resistance in the Islamic World
 Hafez, Mohammed M. Suicide Bombers in Iraq: The Strategy and Ideology of Martyrdom
 Halliday, Fred. Islam and the Myth of Confrontation
 Halliday, Fred. Nation and religion in the Middle East
 Halm, Heinz. Shi'ism
 Hamdi, Mohamed E. The Making of an Islamic Political Leader: Conversations with Hasan al-Turabi
 Hamdi, Mohamed E. The Politicization of Islam: A Case Study of Tunisia
 Hamid, Shadi. Temptations of Power: Islamists and Illiberal Democracy in the Middle East
 Henry, Clement and Rodney Wilson, eds.. The Politics of Islamic Finance
 Hiro, Dilip. War Without End: The Rise of Islamist Terrorism and Global Response
 Hollanmd, Tom. In the Shadow of the Sword: The Birth of Islam and the Rise of the Global Arab Empire
 Huband, Mark. Warriors of the Prophet: the Struggle for Islam
 Hunter, Shireen. The Future of Islam and the West: Clash of Civilizations or Peaceful Coexistence?
 Hunter, Shireen and Huma Malik,eds. Modernization, Democracy, and Islam
 Kandiyoti, Deniz, ed. Women, Islam and the State
 Karsh, Efraim. Islamic Imperialism: A History
 Keddie, Nikki. Women in the Middle East: Past and Present
 Keddie, Nikki R. and Beth Baron, eds. Women and Gender in Middle Easter History: Shifting Boundaries
 Kelsay, John. Arguing the Just War in Islam
 Kepel, Gilles. Jihad: The Trail of Political Islam
 Kepel, Gilles. The War for Muslim Minds
 Kepel, Gilles, and Jean-Pierre Milelle, eds. Al Qaeda in its Own Words
 Kramer, Martin, ed. Shi'sm, Resistance, and Revolution
 Kurzman, Charles, ed. Liberal Islam
 Lewis, Bernard. The Political Language of Islam.
 Lewis, Bernard. Faith and Power: Religion and Politics in the Middle East
 Lewis, Bernard. Islam: From the Prophet Muhammad to the Capture of Constantinople.
 Mahmood, Saba. Polityics of Piety: the Islamic Revival and the Feministg Subject
 Marsden, Peter. War and Religion in Afghanistan

Mayer, Ann Elizabeth. *Islam and Human Rights: Tradition and Politics*
 Meddeb, Abdelwahab. *The Malady of Islam*
 Mernissi, Fatima. *Beyond the Veil*
 Mernissi, Fatima. *Islam and Democracy*
 Mernissi, Fatima. *The Veil and the Male Elite: A Feminist Interpretation of Women's Rights in Islam*
 Mernissi, Fatima. *Dreams of Trespass: Tales of a Harem Girlhood*
 Mernissi, Fatima. *Islam and Democracy: Fear of the Modern World*
 Milton-Edwards, Beverley. *Islamic Politics in Palestine*
 Milton-Edwards, Beverly. *Islamic Fundamentalism Since 1945*
 Mitchell, Richard. *The Society of the Muslim Brothers*.
 Moghadam, Valentine M. *Modernizing Women: Gender and Social Change in the Middle East*
 Momen, Moojan. *An Introduction to Shi'i Islam*
 Munson, Henry Jr. *Islam and Revolution in the Middle East*
 Murden, Simon W. *Islam, the Middle East, and the New Global Hegemony*
 Naipaul, V.S. *Among the Believers*
 Naipaul, V.S. *Beyond Belief: Excursions Among the Converted Peoples*
 Nakash, Yitzhak. *Reaching for Power: The Shi'a in the Modern Arab World*
 Nojumi, Nematollah. *The Rise of the Taliban in Afghanistan*
 Norton, Anne. *On the Muslim Question*
 Noyon, Jennifer. *Islam, Politics, and Pluralism: Theory and Practice in Turkey, Jordan, Tunisia, and Algeria*
 Oliver, Anne Marie and Paul F. Steinberg. *The Road to Martyrs' Square: A Journey into the World of the Suicide Bomber*
 Pipes, Daniel. *In the Path of God: Islam and Political Power*
 Pipes, Daniel. *Militant Islam Reaches America*
 Qutb, Sayyid. *Milestones*
 Rahman, Fazlur. *Islam*
 Rashid, Ahmed. *Taliban: Militant Islam, Oil, and Fundamentalism in Central Asia*
 Roy, Olivier. *The Failure of Political Islam*
 Roy, Olivier. *Globalized Islam: The Search for a New Ummah*
 Rubin, Barnett. *The Fragmentation of Afghanistan*
 Ruthven, Malise. *A Fury for God: the Muslim Attack on America*
 Ruthven, Malise. *Encounters with Islam*.
 Schacht, Joseph and C. E. Bosworth, Eds. *The Legacy of Islam*
 Schwartz, Stephen. *The Two Faces of Islam: the House of Sa'ud from Tradition to Terror*
 Shadid, Anthony. *Legacy of the Prophet: Despots, Democrats, and the New Politics of Islam*
 Sidahmed, Abdel Salem and Anoushiravan Ehteshami. *Islamic Fundamentalism*
 Sivan, Emmanuel. *Radical Islam*
 Spencer, Robert. *Islam Unveiled: Disturbing Questions About the World's Fastest Growing Faith*
 Takeyh, Ray, and Nikolas K. Gvosdev. *The Receding Shadow of the Prophet: The Rise and Fall of Political Islam*
 Tessler, Mark. "Islam and Democracy in the Middle East," *Comparative Politics* 34 (2), 2002: 33-54.
 Tibi, Bassam. *Islam Between Culture and Politics [a call for reform]*
 Tibi, Bassam. *The Challenge of Fundamentalism: Political Islam and the New World Disorder*
 Timmerman, Kenneth. *Preachers of Hate: Islam and the War on America*
 Toubia, Nahid, ed. *Women in the Muslim World*
 Tugal, Cihan. *Passive Revolution: Absorbing the Islamic Challenge to Capitalism*
 Turam, Berna. *Between Islam and the State: the Politics of Engagement*
 Viorst, Milton. *In the Shadow of the Prophet: The Struggle for the Soul of Islam*
 Vatikiotis, P.J. *Islam and the State*
 Wickham, Carrie Rosefsky. *The Muslim Brotherhood: Evolution of an Islamist Movement*
 Wiktorowicz, Quintan, ed. *Islamic Activism: A Social Movement Theory Approach*
 Wright, Robin. *Sacred Rage: the Crusade of Modern Islam*

Israel and Zionism

Arian, Asher (Alan), and Michael Shamir, eds. *The Elections in Israel* (1996)
 Arian, Asher and Michael Shamir, eds. *The Elections in Israel* (1999)
 Arian, Asher. *The Second Republic: Politics in Israel*
 Avineri, Shlomo. *The Making of Modern Zionism: The Intellectual Origins of the Jewish State*
 Avishai, Bernard. *The Tragedy of Zionism: Revolution and Democracy in the Land of Israel*
 Begin, Menachem. *The Revolt*
 Ben-Eliezer, Uri. *The Making of Israeli Militarism*
 Ben-Gurion, David. *Israel: A Personal History*
 Ben-Porat, Guy. *Between State and Synagogue: The Secularization of Contemporary Israel*

Benvenisti, Meron. Sacred Landscape: The Buried History of the Holy Land Since 1948
 Cohen, Avner. Israel and the Bomb
 Danon, Danny. Israel: the Will to Survive
 Dowty, Alan. The Jewish State: A Century Later
 Bligh, Alexander, ed. The Israeli Palestinians
 Eban, Abba. My Country; the Story of Modern Israel
 Eban, Abba. Personal Witness: Israel Through My Eyes
 Efron, Noah J. Real Jews: Secular vs. Ultra-Orthodox and the Struggle for Jewish Identity in Israel
 Elath, Eliyahu. Zionism at the UN
 Evron, Boas. Jewish State or Israeli Nation?
 Freilich, Charles D. Zion's Dilemma: How Israel Makes National Security Policy
 Gilbert, Martin. Israel: A History
 Gilbert, Martin. Exile and Return
 Goldberg, David J. To The Promised Land: A History of Zionist Thought
 Gordis, Daniel. The Promise of Israel: Why its Seemingly Greatest Weakness is Actually its Greatest Strength
 Gordis, Daniel. Menachem Begin
 Goldscheider, Calvin. Israel's Changing Society: Population, Ethnicity, and Development (Second Edition)
 Gorenberg, Gershom. The Unmaking of Israel
 Grossman, David. Sleeping on a Wire: Conversations with Palestinians in Israel
 Grossman, David. Death as a Way of Life: Israel Ten Years After Oslo
 Halpern, Ben. The Idea of the Jewish State
 Hazan, Reuven Y., and Moshe Maor. Parties, Politics, and Cleavages: Israel in Comparative and Theoretical Perspective (Israel Affairs, VI, 2, Winter 1999). Includes an essay by Arend Lijphart and others comparing Israel to other "Consensual" and "Majoritarian" Democracies
 Hazony, Yoram. The Jewish State: The Struggle for Israel's Soul.
 Herzl, Theodor. The Jewish State
 Hertzberg, Arthur, ed.. The Zionist Idea: A Historical Analysis and Reader
 Korn, Dani, ed. Public Policy in Israel.
 Kretzmer, David. The Legal Status of the Arabs in Israel
 Kretzmer, David. The Occupation of Justice: The Supreme Court of Israel and the Occupied Territories
 Jones, Clive and Emma C. Murphy. Israel: Challenges to Identity, Democracy and the State
 Laqueur, Walter. A History of Zionism
 Mahler, Gregory S. Politics and Government in Israel
 O'Brien, Conor Cruise. The Siege: The Saga of Israel and Zionism
 Peretz, Don and Gideon Doron. The Government and Politics of Israel (3rd ed. 1997)
 Reinhartz, Jehuda. Chaim Weizmann: The Making of a Zionist Leader
 Rodgers, Peter. Herzl's Nightmare: One Land, Two Peoples
 Sachar, Howard M. A History of Israel
 Safran, Nadav. Israel, the Embattled Ally
 Schneer, Jonathan. The Balfour Declaration: The Origins of the Arab-Israeli Conflict
 Segal, Jerome M. et al. Negotiating Jerusalem
 Shafir, Gershon. The New Israel: Peacemaking and Liberalization
 Shafir, Gershon, and Yoav Peled. Being Israeli: The Dynamics of Multiple Citizenship
 Shafir, Gershon and Yoav Peled. The New Israel: Peacemaking and Liberalization
 Sharkansky, Ira. Ambiguity, Coping, and Governing: Israeli Experience in Politics, Religion, and Policymaking
 Sharkansky, Ira. The Political Economy of Israel
 Sharkansky, Ira. Rituals of Conflict: Religion, Politics, and Public Policy in Israel
 Shimoni, Gideon. The Zionist Ideology
 Silberstein, Laurence J., ed. The Postzionism Debates
 Spiro, Melford. Kibbutz: Venture in Utopia
 Stein, Leonard. The Balfour Declaration
 Sykes, Christopher. Crossroads to Israel 1917-1948.
 Syrkin, Marie. Golda Meir: Woman With a Cause
 Taub, Gadi. The Settlers: and the Struggle over the Meaning of Zionism
 Tyler, Patrick. Fortress Israel: The Inside Story of the Military Elite Who Run the Country – and Why They Can't Make Peace
 Weizmann, Chaim. Trial and Error
 Wheatcroft, Geoffrey. The Controversy of Zion: Jewish Nationalism, the Jewish State and the Unresolved Jewish Dilemma

Palestinian Arabs

Abu-Amr, Ziad. Islamic Fundamentalism in the West Bank and Gaza
 Aburish, Said K. Arafat

Amiry, Suad. Sharon and My Mother-in-Law: Ramallah Diaries
 Bowker, Robert. Palestinian Refugees: Mythology, Identity, and the Search for Peace
 Bucaille, Laetitia. Growing Up Palestinian: Israeli Occupation and the Intifada Generation
 Cobban, Helena. The Palestine Liberation Organization
 Cobham, David and Nu'man Kanafani. The Economics of Palestine: Economic Policy and Institutional Reform for a Viable Palestine
 Dumper, Michael, ed. Palestinian Refugee Repatriation: Global Perspectives
 Farsoun, Samih and Christina E. Zacharia. Palestine and the Palestinians
 Farsoun, Samih. Culture and Customs of the Palestinians
 Frisch, Hillel. Countdown to Statehood: Palestinian State Formation in the West Bank and Gaza
 Gompert, David et al. Building a Successful Palestinian State
 Hart, Alan. Arafat; A Political Biography
 Hass, Amira. Drinking the Sea at Gaza: Days and Nights in a Land Under Siege
 Hatina, Meir. Islam and Salvation in Palestine: The Islamic Jihad Movement
 Hilterman, Joost. Behind the Intifada: Labor and Women's Movements in the Occupied Territories
 Hroub, Khaled. Hamas
 Karsh, Ephraim. Palestine Betrayed
 Khalidi, Rashid. Palestinian Identity: the Construction of Modern National Consciousness
 Khan, Mushtaq Husai. State Formation in Palestine: Viability and Governance During a Social Transformation
 Lesch, Anne Mosely. Arab Politics in Palestine 1917-39
 Lesch, Anne Mosely. Transition to Palestinian Self-Government
 Louer, Laurence. To Be An Arab in Israel
 Mandel, Neville. The Arabs and Zionism before World War I
 Massad, Joseph. The Persistence of the Palestinian Question: Essays on Zionism and the Palestinians
 Mattar, Philip. Mufti of Jerusalem: Al Hajj Amin al-Hussayni and the Palestine National Movement
 Mattar, Philip, ed. Encyclopedia of the Palestinians
 Mishal, Shaul and Abraham Sela. The Palestinian Hamas: Vision, Violence and Coexistence
 Nassar, Jamal R. and Roger Heacock, eds. Intifada: Palestine at the Crossroads
 Nasser, Riad M. Palestinian Identity in Jordan and Israel
 Nusseibeh, Sari. What is a Palestinian State Worth?
 Parsons, Nigel Craig. The Politics of the Palestinian Authority: From Oslo to Al-Aqsa
 Porath, Yehoshuah. The Emergence of the Palestinian-Arab Nationalist Movement 1919-1929
 Porath, Yehoshua. The Palestinian Arab National Movement 1929-1939
 Quandt, William B., Fuad Jabber, and Ann Mosely Lesch, The Politics of Palestinian Nationalism
 RAND Corporation Palestinian State Study Team. Building a Successful Palestinian State; The Arc: A Formal Structure for a Palestinian State; Helping a Palestinian State: Key Findings; Strengthening the Palestinian Health System; Building a Successful Palestinian State: Security
 Robinson, Glenn E. Building a Palestinian State: The Incomplete Revolution
 Rubenberg, Cheryl A. The Palestinians: In Search of a Just Peace
 Rubin, Barry. The Transformation of Palestinian Politics: From Revolution to State-Building.
 Saigh, Yezid. Armed Struggle and the Search for State: The Palestinian National Movement, 1949-1993
 Schenker, David. Palestinian Governance and Democracy: An Appraisal of the Legislative Council

Egypt

Abdo, Geneive. No God But God: Egypt and the Triumph of Islam
 Abul-Magd, Zeinab. Imagined Empires: A History of Revolt in Egypt
 Al-Sadat, Anwar. In Search of Identity; Revolt on the Nile
 Amin, Galal. Whatever Happened to the Egyptian Revolution?
 Ansari, Hamied: Egypt: the Stalled Society
 Baker, Raymond W. Sadat and After: Struggles for Egypt's Political Soul
 Cook, Steven A. The Struggle for Egypt: From Nasser to Tahrir Square
 Fahmy, Ninette S. The Politics of Egypt: State-Society Relationship
 Goldschmidt, Arthur Jr. Modern Egypt: The Formation of a Nation-State
 Heikal, Mohamed. Autumn of Fury: the Assassination of Sadat
 Ibrahim, Saad Eddin. Egypt, Islam and Democracy: Critical Essays
 Iskander, Adel. Egypt in Flux: Essays on an Unfinished Revolution
 Kassem, Maye. Egyptian Politics: the Dynamics of Authoritarian Rule
 McDermott, Anthony. Egypt from Nasser to Mubarak: A Flawed Revolution
 Mitchell, Timothy. Rule of Experts: Egypt, Techno-Politics, Modernity
 Nasser, Gamal Abdel. Philosophy of the Revolution
 Osman, Tarek. Egypt on the Brink: From Nasser to Mubarak

Robinson, Warren C. and Fatma H. El-Zanaty. *The Demographic Revolution in Egypt*
 Rutherford, Bruce K. *Egypt After Mubarak*
 Safran, Nadav. *Egypt in Search of Political Community*
 Sayigh, Yezid. *Above the State: The Officers' Republic in Egypt*
 Sowers, Jeannie L. *Environmental Politics in Egypt: Activists, Experts, and the State*
 Sowers, Jeannie and Chris Toensing, eds. *The Journey to Tahrir: Revolution, Protest, and Social Change in Egypt*
 Sullivan, Dennis J. and Sana Abed-Kotab. *Islam in Contemporary Egypt: Civil Society vs. the State*
 Tadros, Mariz. *Copts at the Crossroads: The Challenges of Building Inclusive Democracy in Egypt*
 Tignor, Robert L. *Egypt: A Short History*
 Weaver, Mary Anne. *A Portrait of Egypt: A Journey Through the World of Militant Islam*
 Wickham, Carrie Rosefsky. *Mobilizing Islam: Religion, Activism, and Political Change in Egypt*
 Wickham, Carrie Rosefsky. *The Muslim Brotherhood: Evolution of a Social Movement*

Saudi Arabia, the Arabian Peninsula, and the Gulf Arab States

Al Munajjed, Mona. *Women in Saudi Arabia Today*.
 Bronson, Rachel. *Thicker Than Oil: America's Uneasy Partnership with Saudi Arabia*
 Citino, Nathan J. *From Arab Nationalism to OPEC: Eisenhower, King Sa'ud, and the Making of U.S.-Saudi Relations*
 Clark, Victoria. *Yemen: Dancing on the Heads of Snakes*
 Cordesman, Anthony. *Kuwait: Recovery and Security After the Gulf War*
 Cordesman, Anthony H. *Saudi Arabia: Guarding the Desert Kingdom*
 Cordesman, Anthony. *Saudi Arabia Enters the Twenty-First Century (2 vols.)*
 Davidson, Christopher. *After the Sheikhs: The Coming Collapse of the Gulf Monarchies*
 Fandy, Mamoun. *Saudi Arabia and the Politics of Dissent*
 Ghubash, Hussein. *The Islamic Democratic Tradition*
 Gold, Dore. *Hatred's Kingdom: How Saudi Arabia Supports the New Global Terrorism*
 Goldberg, Jacob. *The Foreign Policy of Saudi Arabia*
 Halliday, Fred. *Arabia Without Sultans*
 Hart, Parker T. *Saudi Arabia and the United States: Birth of a Security Partnership*
 Hegghammer, Thomas. *Jihad in Saudi Arabia: Violence and Pan-Islamism since 1979*
 Henderson, Simon. *After King Fahd: Succession in Saudi Arabia*
 Herb, Michael. *All in the Family: Absolutism, Revolution, and Democracy in the Middle Eastern Monarchies*
 Kanovsky, Eliyahu. *Oil Prices and the Saudi Arabian Economy*
 Kechichian, Joseph A. *Succession in Saudi Arabia*
 Lacey, Robert. *Inside the Kingdom: Kings, Clerics, Modernists, Terrorists, and the Struggle for Saudi Arabia*
 Luomi, Mari. *The Gulf Monarchies and Climate Change: Abu Dhabi and Qatar in an Era of Natural Unsustainability*
 Murawiec, Laurent. *Princes of Darkness: The Saudi Assault on the West*
 Niblock, Tim. *Saudi Arabia: Power, Legitimacy and Survival*
 Obaid, Naiwaf E. *The Oil Kingdom at 100: Petroleum Policymaking in Saudi Arabia*
 Safran, Nadav. *Saudi Arabia: the Ceaseless Quest for Security*
 Saunders, David. *Dubai: The Arabian Dream*
 Schlumberger, Oliver., ed. *Debating Arab Authoritarianism: Dynamics and Durability in Nondemocratic Regimes*
 Schwartz, Stephen. *The Two Faces of Islam: the House of Sa'ud from Tradition to Terror*
 Teitelbaum, Joshua. *Holier Than Thou: Saudi Arabia's Islamic Opposition*
 Trofimov, Yaroslav. *The Siege of Mecca: The Forgotten Uprising in Islam's Holiest Shrine and the Birth of Al Qaeda*
 Valeri, Marc. *Oman: Politics and Society in the Qaboos State*
 Vogel, Frank E. *Islamic Law and Legal System: Studies of Saudi Arabia*
 Wilson, Rodney. *Economic Development in Saudi Arabia*

Jordan

Glubb, John Bagott. *A Soldier With the Arabs*
 Knowles, Warwick. *Jordan Since 1989: A Study in Political Economy*
 Massad, Joseph A. *Colonial Effects: The Making of National Identity in Jordan*
 Milton-Edwards, Beverley and Peter Hinchcliffe. *Jordan: A Hashemite Legacy*
 Satloff, Robert B. *From Hussein to Abdullah: Jordan in Transition*
 Susser, Asher. *Jordan: Case Study of a Pivotal State*

Lebanon

Dagher, Carole H. "Bring Down the Walls:" *Lebanon's Post-War Challenge*
 Fino, Kais M. *Inventing Lebanon: Nationalism and the State Under the Mandate*
 Harik, Judith Palmer. *Hezbollah: The Changing Face of Terrorism*
 Jaber, Hala. *Hezbollah: Born With a Vengeance*

Johnson, Michael. All Honorable Men: the Social Origins of War in Lebanon
 Levitt, Matthew. Hezbollah: The Global Footprint of Lebanon's Party of God
 Malik, Habib C. Between Damascus and Jerusalem: Lebanon and Middle East Peace
 Najam, Tom Pierre. Lebanon: The Politics of a Penetrated Society
 Rabinovich, Itamar. The War for Lebanon
 Randal, Jonathan. The Tragedy of Lebanon: Christian Warlords, Israeli Adventurers, and American Bunglers
 Ryan, Curtis R. Jordan in Transition: From Hussein to Abdullah
 Saad-Ghorayeb, Amal. Hizbu'llah: Politics and Religion
 Salam, Nawaf A. Options for Lebanon
 Young, Michael. The Ghosts of Martyrs Square: An Eyewitness Account of Lebanon's Life Struggle

Libya

Bowen, Wyn Q. Libya and Nuclear Proliferation: Stepping Back from the Brink
 Chorin, Ethan. Exit the Colonel: The Hidden History of the Libyan Revolution

Sudan

Johnson, Douglas H. The Root Causes of Sudan's Civil Wars
 Lesch, Anne M. The Sudan—Contested National Identities
 Natsios, Andrew S. Sudan, South Sudan & Darfur
 Petterson, Donald. Inside Sudan
 O'Ballance, Edgar. Sudan, Civil War, and Terrorism
 Sidahmed, Abdel Salam and Alsir Sidahmed. Sudan
 Warburg, Gabriel. Islam, Sectarianism, and Politics in the Sudan Since the Mahdiyya

Syria

Drysdale, Alaisdar, and Raymond A. Hinnebusch. Syria and the Middle East Peace Process
 Hashemi, Nader and Danny Postel, eds. The Syria Dilemma
 Heydemann, Steven. Authoritarianism in Syria: Institutions and Social Conflict 1946-1970
 Heydemann, Steven, and Reinoud Leenders, eds. Middle East Authoritarianisms: Governance, Contestation, and Regime Resilience in Syria and Iran
 Hinnebusch, Raymond. Syria: Revolution from Above
 Lesch, David. Syria: The Fall of the House of Assad
 Lefvre, Ashes of Hama: The Muslim Brotherhood in Syria
 Leverett, Flynt. Inheriting Syria: Bashar's Trial By Fire.
 Maoz, Moshe. Modern Syria: from Ottoman Rule to Pivotal Role in the Middle East
 Seale, Patrick. The Struggle for Syria: A Study of Postwar Arab Politics
 Van Dam, Nikolaos. The Struggle for Power in Syria: Politics and Society Under Asad and the Ba'ath Party

Turkey

Altunisik, Meliha Benli and Ozlem Tur Kavli. Turkey: Challenges of Continuity and Change
 Atasoy, Yildiz. Turkey, Islamists and Democracy: Transition and Globalisation in a Muslim State
 Aydinli, Esel. Turkey and the PKK: Parameters of the Post-Ocalan Era
 Finkel, Andrew. Turkey: What Everyone Needs to Know
 Jacoby, Tim. Social Power and the Turkish State
 Jenkins, Gareth. Context and Circumstance: The Turkish Military in Politics
 Jung, Dietrich and Wolfgang Piccoli. Turkey at the Crossroads: Ottoman Legacies and a Greater Middle East
 Kayali, Hasan. Arabs and Young Turks: Ottomanism, Arabism, and Islamism in the Ottoman Empire
 Kedourie, Sylvia. Seventy-five Years of the Turkish Republic
 Kinzer, Stephen. Crescent and Star: Turkey Between Two Worlds
 Kramer, Heinz. A Changing Turkey; The Challenge to Europe and the United States
 Kuru, Ahmet T. and Alfred Stepan, eds. Democracy, Islam, and Secularism in Turkey
 Lewis, Bernard. The Emergence of Modern Turkey
 Rubin, Barry and Kemal Kirisci, eds. Turkey in World Politics: An Emerging Multiregional Power
 Rubin, Barry and Metin Heper, eds. Political Parties in Turkey
 Rubin, Barry and Ali Çarkoglu., eds. Religion and Politics in Turkey
 Ugeur, Mehmet and Nergis Canefe, eds. Turkey and European Integration
 White, Jenny. Muslim Nationalism and the New Turks

Arab North Africa and the Horn of Africa

Alexander, Christopher. Tunisia.

Bonner, Michael, Megan Reif, and Mark Tessler, eds. *Islam, Democracy and the State in Algeria*
 DeWaal, Alex, ed. *Islamism and Its Enemies in the Horn of Africa*
 Entelis, John P. ed. *Islam, Democracy and the State in North Africa*
 Gould, St. John. *Morocco*
 Jalata, Asafa. *State Crises, Globalisation and National Movements in North-East Africa: the Horn's Dilemma*
 Joffe, George. *Algeria: The Failed Revolution*
 King, Stephen J. *Liberalization Against Democracy: The Local Politics of Economic Reform in Tunisia*
 Quandt, William B. *Between Ballots and Bullets: Algeria's Transition from Authoritarianism*

The Israel-Arab Conflict

Abbas, Mahmoud. *The Road to Oslo*
 Ashrawi, Hanan. *This Side of Peace*
 Avneri, Arieh. *The Claim of Dispossession: Jewish Land Settlement and the Arabs 1878-1948*
 Ben-Gurion, David. *My Talks With Arab Leaders*
 Benvenisti, Meron. *Intimate Enemies: Jews and Arabs in a Shared Land*
 Benvenisti, Meron. *City of Stone: The Hidden History of Jerusalem*
 Bethel, Nicholas. *The Palestine Tragedy*
 Biger, Gideon. *The Boundaries of Modern Palestine, 1840-1947*
 Bishara, Marwan. *Palestine/Israel: Peace or Apartheid; Prospects for Resolving the Conflict [a Palestinian perspective critical of the assumptions behind the Oslo Accord of 1993]*
 Bregman, Ahron. *Cursed Victory: A History of Israel and the Occupied Territories [2015]*
 Carey, Roane, ed. *The New Intifada: Resisting Israel's Apartheid*
 Cypel, Sylvain. *Walled: Israeli Society at an Impasse*
 Dumper, Michael. *The Politics of Sacred Space: The Old City of Jerusalem in the Middle East Conflict*
 Efrat, Elisha. *The West Bank and Gaza Strip: A Geography of Occupation and Disengagement*
 Flapan, Simcha. *Zionism and the Palestinians*
 Friedman, Thomas. *From Beirut to Jerusalem*
 Gazit, Shlomo. *Trapped Fools: Thirty Years of Israeli Policy in the Territories*
 Gelber, Yoav. *Palestine 1948: War, Escape and the Emergence of the Palestinian Refugee Problem*
 Gerner, Deborah J. *One Land, Two Peoples: The Conflict Over Palestine*
 Gilbert, Martin. *The Routledge Atlas of the Arab-Israeli Conflict (eighth edition)*
 Gorenberg, Gershom. *The End of Days: Fundamentalism and the Struggle for the Temple Mount*
 Gorenberg, Gershom. *The Accidental Empire: Israel and the Birth of the Settlements 1967-1977*
 Hadawi, Sami. *Bitter Harvest: A Modern History of Palestine*
 Heller, Mark, and Nusseibeh, Sari, *No Drums, No Trumpets: A Two-State Solution of the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict*
 Heller, Mark. *A Palestinian State: the Implications for Israel.*
 Heller, Mark and Rosemary Hollis, eds. *Israel and the Palestinians: Israeli Policy Options*
 Israeli, Raphael. *Fundamentalist Islam and Israel: Essays in Interpretation*
 Karsh, Efraim and P.R. Kamaraswary, eds. *Israel, the Hashemites, and the Palestinians: the Fateful Triangle*
 Khalidi, Walid. *From Haven to Conquest*
 Kimche, Jon. *Seven Fallen Pillars: The Middle East 1915-1950*
 Kimche, Jon and David Kimche. *Both Sides of the Hill*
 Kimmerling, Baruch. *Politicide: Ariel Sharon's War Against the Palestinians*
 Kurzman, Dan. *Genesis 1948: The First Arab-Israeli War*
 La Guardia, Anton. *War Without End: Israelis, Palestinians, and the Struggle for the Promised Land*
 Laqueur, Walter. *The Road to War: The Origins of the Israeli-Arab Conflict, 1967*
 Lockman, Zachary. *Comrades and Enemies: Arab and Jewish Workers in Palestine, 1906-1948.*
 Lockman, Zachary and Joel Beinin, eds. *Intifada: the Palestinian Uprising Against Israeli Occupation*
 Luft, Gail. *Jerusalem's Holy Places and the Peace Process*
 Lustick, Ian. *Arabs in the Jewish State*
 Makovsky, David. *Making Peace With the PLO: The Rabin Government's Road to the Oslo Accord*
 Mandel, Neville. *The Arabs and Zionists Before World War I*
 Maoz, Moshe and Sari Nusseibeh, et al. eds. *Jerusalem—Points of Friction—and Beyond*
 Maoz, Moshe and Avraham Sela, eds. *The PLO and Israel—From Armed Conflict to Political Solution, 1964-1994*
 Mayer, Tamar and Suleiman A. Mourad, eds., *Jerusalem: Idea and Reality*
 McCarthy, Justin. *The Population of Palestine: Population Statistics of the Late Ottoman Period and the Mandate*
 McDowall, David. *Palestine and Israel: The Uprising and Beyond*
 Miller, Jennifer. *Inheriting the Holy Land: An American's Search for Hope in the Middle East*
 Morris, Benny. *The Birth of The Palestine Refugee Problem, 1947-1949.* For a rebuttal see Shabtai Teveth, "The Palestine Refugee Problem and its Origins." *Middle Eastern Studies* 26,2 (April 1990), pp. 214-49.
 Morris, Benny. *Righteous Victims: A History of the Zionist-Arab Conflict, 1881-1999*

Nasser, Gamal Abdel. *The Truth About the Palestine War*
 Netanyahu, Binyamin. *A Durable Peace: Israel and its Place Among the Nations*
 Oren, Michael. *Six Days of War: June 1967*
 Pappe, Ilan, ed.. *The Israel/Palestine Question*.
 Peres, Shimon. *Battling for Peace*
 Rabinovich, Itamar. *Roads Not Taken: Early Arab-Israeli Negotiations*
 Rabinovich, Itamar. *The Brink of Peace: The Israeli-Syrian Negotiations*
 Rabinovich, Itamar. *Waging Peace: Israel and the Arabs 1948-2003*
 Rabinovich, Itamar. *The Lingering Conflict: Israel, the Arabs, and the Middle East 1948-2012*
 Rabil, Robert G. *Embattled Neighbors: Syria, Israel, and Lebanon*
 Raz, Avi. *The Bride and the Dowry: Israel, Jordan, and the Palestinians in the Aftermath of the June 1967 War*
 Rogan, Eugene L., and Avi Shlaim, eds. *The War for Palestine: Rewriting the History of 1948*
 Rothstein, Robert L., Moshe Maoz, Khalil Shikaki, eds. *The Israeli-Palestinian Peace Process: Oslo and the Lessons of Failure*
 Rubin, Barry. *The Arab States and Palestine*
 Rubin, Barry. *The Great Powers in the Middle East 1941-1947*
 Safran, Nadav. *From War to War: The Arab-Israeli Confrontation 1948-1967*
 Said, Edward. *Peace and Its Discontents: Essays on Palestine in the Middle East Peace Process*
 Said, Edward. *The End of the Peace Process: Oslo and After*
 Said, Edward. *The Question of Palestine*
 Savir, Uri. *The Process: 1,100 Days That Changed the Middle East*
 Schiff, Ze'ev and Ehud Yaari. *Intifada: The Palestinian Uprising, Israel's Third Front*
 Schiff, Ze'ev and Ehud Yaari. *Israel's Lebanon War*
 Segev, Tom. *One Palestine, Complete: Jews and Arabs Under the British Mandate*
 Shafir, Gershon. *Land, Labor, and the Origins of the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict*
 Sher, Gilead. *The Israeli-Palestinian Peace Negotiations 1999-2001*
 Shlaim, Avi. *The Politics of Partition: King Abdullah, the Zionists, and Palestine*
 Shlaim, Avi. *The Iron Wall: Israel and the Arab World*
 Smith, Charles D. *Palestine and the Arab-Israeli Conflict*
 Sneh, Ephraim. *Navigating Perilous Waters: An Israeli Strategy for Peace and Security*
 Sykes, Christopher. *Crossroads to Israel*
 Tamari, Samar, ed. *Palestine Refugee Negotiations: From Madrid to Oslo II*
 Telhami, Shibley. *Power and Leadership: The Path to the Camp David Accords*
 Teveth, Shabtai. *Ben-Gurion and the Palestinian Arabs*
 Thomas, Baylis. *The Dark Side of Zionism: the Quest for Security Through Dominance*
 Tilley, Virginia Q. *The One-State Solution: A Breakthrough Plan for Peace in the Israeli-Palestinian Deadlock*
 Wasserstein, Bernard. *The British in Palestine: The Mandatory Government and the Arab-Jewish Conflict*
 Wasserstein, Bernard. *Divided Jerusalem: The Struggle for the Holy City (second edition 2002)*

The Iran-Iraq Conflict

Chubin, Shahram, and Charles Tripp. *Iran and Iraq at War*
 O'Ballance, Edgar. *The Gulf War*

The "Arab Spring"

Ajami, Fouad. *The Syrian Rebellion*
 Ayooob, Mohammed. *Will the Middle East Implode?*
 Bayat, Asef. *Life as Politics: How Ordinary People Changed the Middle East*
 Burns, Nicholas and Jonathan Price, eds., *The Arab Revolutions and American Policy*
 Muasher, Marwan. *The Second Arab Awakening: And the Battle for Pluralism*
 Nouheid, Lin and Alex Warren. *A Battle for the Arab Spring: Revolution, Counter-Revolution and the Making of a New Era*.
 Owen, Roger. *The Rise and Fall of Arab Presidents for Life*
 Starr, Stephen. *Revolt in Syria: Eye-Witness to the Uprising*

U.S. Policy in the Middle East

Ajami, Fouad. *The Foreigner's Gift: The Americans, the Arabs, and the Iraqis in Iraq*
 Ansari, Ali M. *Confronting Iran: The Failure of American Foreign Policy and the Next Great Crisis in the Middle East*
 Bass, Warren. *Support Any Friend: Kennedy's Middle East and the Making of the U.S.-Israel Alliance*
 Bill, James A. *The Eagle and the Lion: The Tragedy of American-Iranian Relations*
 Bodansky, Yossef. *The High Cost of Peace: How Washington's Middle East Policy Left America Vulnerable to Terrorism*
 Carothers, Thomas and Marina Ottaway, eds. *Uncharted Journey: Promoting Democracy in the Middle East*.
 Carpenter, Ted Galen, ed. *America Entangled: The Persian Gulf Crisis and its Consequences*
 Chomsky, Noam. *Fateful Triangle: the United States, Israel, and the Palestinians*

Chomsky, Noam. Middle East Illusions

Christison, Kathleen. Perceptions of Palestine: Their Influence on U.S. Middle East Policy

Citino, Nathan J. From Arab Nationalism to OPEC: Eisenhower, King Sa'ud, and the Making of U.S.-Saudi Relations

Clarke, Richard. Against All Enemies: Inside America's War on Terror

Cottam, Richard W. Iran and the United States: A Cold War Case Study

Crist, David. The Twilight War : the Secret History of America's Thirty-Year Conflict with Iran

Darwish, Adel and Shahram Chubin. Unholy Babylon: The Secret History of Saddam's War

Diamond, Larry. Squandered Victory: The American Occupation and the Bungled Effort to Bring Democracy to Iraq

Feldman, Noah. After Jihad: America and the Struggle for Islamic Democracy

Finley, Paul. They Dare to Speak Out: People and Institutions Confront Israel's Lobby

Freedman, Lawrence. A Choice of Enemies: America Confronts the Middle East.

Freedman, Lawrence and Efraim Karsh. The Gulf Conflict, 1990-1991: Diplomacy and War in the New World Order

Gendzier, Irene. Notes From the Minefield: United States Intervention in Lebanon and the Middle East, 1945-1958

Gerges, Fawaz A. America and Political Islam: Clash of Cultures or Clash of Interests?

Goldberg, Jacob, Mark Heller, and Steven Spiegel, eds. The U.S.-Soviet Competition in the Middle East. (Includes S. Lakoff, "The Reagan Doctrine and the Middle East.")

Korn, David A. Assassination in Khartoum

Graubard, Stephen. Mr. Bush's War

Green, Stephen. Living By the Sword: America and Israel in the Middle East, 1968-87

Haselkorn, Avigdor. The Continuing Storm: Iraq, Poisonous Weapons, and Deterrence

Hawthorne, Amy W. Democracy Deficit: U.S. Democracy Promotion Efforts in the Arab World

Henderson, Simon. Reluctant Allies: U.S. Policy Toward the Conservative Arab States of the Persian Gulf

Hilsman, Roger. George Bush v. Saddam Hussein: Military Success, Political Failure

Hinnebusch, Raymond, and Anoushirivan Ehteshami, eds. The Foreign Policies of Middle East States

Khalidi, Rashid. Resurrecting Empire: Western Footprints and America's Perilous Path in the Middle East

Laham, Nicholas. Selling AWACS to Saudi Arabia: The Reagan Administration and the Balancing of America's Competing Interests in the Middle East

Lenczowski, George. American Presidents and the Middle East

Lesch, David W. The Middle East and the United States: A Historical and Political Reassessment (Third Edition)

Lippmann, Thomas W. Inside the Mirage: America's Fragile Partnership with Saudi Arabia

Mann, James. Rise of the Vulcans: The History of Bush's War Cabinet

Migdal, Joel S. Shifting Sands: the United States in the Middle East

Miller, Judith and Laurie Mylroie. Saddam Hussein and the Crisis in the Gulf

Moore, John Norton. Crisis in the Gulf: Enforcing the Rule of Law

Murden, Simon W. Islam, the Middle East, and the New Global Hegemony

Mylroie, Laurie. Study of Revenge: Saddam Hussein's Unfinished War Against America

Niblock, Tim. "Pariah States" and Sanctions in the Middle East: Iraq, Libya, Sudan

Palmer, Monte and Princess. At the Heart of Terror: Islam, Jihadists, and America's War on Terrorism

Pollack, Kenneth M. The Persian Puzzle: The Conflict Between Iran and America

Pollack, Kenneth M. Unthinkable: Iran, the Bomb, and American Strategy

Posner, Gerald L. Secrets of the Kingdom: The Inside Story of the Secret Saudi-U.S. Connection

Quandt, William. Peace Process; American Diplomacy and the Arab-Israeli Conflict Since 1967 (third ed.)

Randal, Jonathan. Osama: The Making of a Terrorist

Record, Jeffrey. Hollow Victory: A Contrary View of the Gulf War

Ricks, Thomas. Fiasco: The American Military Adventure in Iraq

Ritter, Scott. Endgame: Solving the Iraq Problem—Once and For All

Rubin, Barry. Paved With Good Intentions: The American Experience in Iran

Rubin, Barry and Judith M. Colp. Anti-American Terrorism in the Middle East: A Documentary Reader

Scales, Robert H. Certain Victory

Sciolino, Elaine. The Outlaw State: Saddam Hussein's Quest for Power and the Gulf Crisis

Shaked, Haim and Itamar Rabinovitch, eds. The Middle East and the United States (1980)

Smith, Jean Edward. George Bush's War

Spiegel, Stephen. The Other Arab-Israeli Conflict: Making America's Middle East Policy from Truman to Reagan

Takeyh, Ray. The United States and Libya: Coexistence or Containment?

Tucker, Robert W. and David C. Hendrickson. The Imperial Temptation: The New World Order and America's Purpose

Yetiv, Steve A. Explaining Foreign Policy: U.S. Decision Making and the Persian Gulf War

Williams, Lt. Col. Richard A. U.S.-Israel Security Cooperation

Wittes, Tamara Cofman. Freedom's Unsteady March: America's Role in Building Arab Democracy.

Woodward, Bob. Plan of Attack

Wurmser, David. Tyranny's Ally: America's Failure to Defeat Saddam Hussein