UNDERGRADUATE COUNCIL

Request for New Program

Originating unit requesting program: History Department

New Program title: Middle East Studies

I. By university policy all programs must have a Program Assessment Plan approved by the Director of Assessment. Please include a copy of the assessment plan for this program or a letter from the Director of Assessment verifying that the assessment plan has been approved.

Guidelines for preparation of a Program Assessment Plan are available from the Office of Assessment or at www.assessment.tcu.edu.

II. If this program is to be delivered online, include a letter from the Koehler Center stating that program administrators and identified faculty are working with the Koehler Center to fulfill TCU Distance Learning requirement.

III. Need and comparisons:
Demonstrate the need for the program (surveys, professional data, area programs or lack thereof, student inquiries, programs at other universities).

The Middle East is one of the most critical, but least understood, regions in world politics and cultures. Due to its complex history, culture, and natural resources, it has become one of the most promising professional and academic areas. Middle East studies in North America has, then, become one of the fastest growing area studies.

A Middle East Studies program responds to a growing demand among TCU students, as expressed in a recent SGA resolution and student survey. Of 80 students who took the survey in the Fall 2013 semester, 71 agreed that adding a Middle East Studies minor would improve TCU’s efforts to educate students to be responsible global citizens. 38 students reported that they would pursue a Middle East Studies minor if offered.

More recently, the TCU Student Government Association (SGA) passed a resolution requesting a Middle East Studies program at TCU. A February 26 story in the TCU Skiff/TCU360, reported, though student interviews, an expressed student need for Middle East Studies to prepare them for various professional careers.

A Middle East program would also contribute to TCU’s efforts to recruit international students, particularly from the Persian Gulf area and Middle Eastern and Muslim countries. A Middle East Studies program would also help to recruit diverse student groups nationwide, such as Arab/Muslim Americans, Jewish Americans, and ROTC.
Indeed, ROTC students planning to focus on the Middle East and to learn Middle Eastern languages are more attracted to other neighboring higher education institutes as SMU and Baylor rather than considering TCU.

A Middle East Studies program contributes to and supports the TCU Mission "[t]o educate individuals to think and act as ethical leaders and responsible citizens in the global community."

A Middle East Studies program can benefit from and contribute to other active programs on campus, including Jewish Studies, Honors College, Study Abroad, and the Women and Gender Studies Program, in providing students a broad and yet in-depth knowledge on diverse global and national issues.

A Middle East Studies program resonates with and enhances ongoing TCU initiatives including Discovering Global Citizenship and the forthcoming TCU Study Abroad in Istanbul, Turkey.

IV. Resources:

A. Explain how the unit will provide faculty support for this offering and any other impact this program will have on other current departmental listings, (e.g. change in teaching assignment, part-time faculty).

   A tentative list of classes offered at TCU reveals that there are eleven faculty members at TCU who offer 26 classes that either focus exclusively on the Middle East and/or contain substantial components on Middle East in different disciplines. Therefore, the Middle East Studies program benefits from and builds on already offered classes by existing faculty members, will not require changes in teaching assignments for existing faculty, or present the need to hire new faculty. Meanwhile, the program would provide an intellectual and scholarly umbrella for the exchange of thoughts and expertise, and would provide TCU students with a systematic in-depth examination of the Middle Eastern region. The program will take advantage from ongoing research initiatives such as the Add/Ran Research Festival and WGS Research competition and symposium to engage and showcase meaningful research on topics relevant to Middle East Studies. The program will also benefit from Soul Repair Center to find the best way to integrate TCU veteran students with experiences in the Middle East into academic life as students and also as sources of first-hand knowledge and expertise on the region.

B. How will faculty support for this offering impact offerings for other units?

   non

C. Will additional resources be required?
   (If yes, provide the appropriate information requested below). □ YES □ NO

Space:
V. Proposal items:
   A. Catalog copy for new program as it would appear in the Undergraduate Studies Bulletin.

   B. New course proposals (see Undergraduate Council’s form for new courses).

   C. Changes in existing courses, if any.

VI. Letters of support from any affected units or programs:  
    attached

VII. Effective date for proposed program (semester, year):  
     Spring 2016

[Signature]

Approval signature of chairperson of originating unit

Revised 11/2013
Middle East Studies at TCU is an interdisciplinary program that would engage students and faculty with academic and professional interests in the Middle East region and would organize and develop available resources and expertise on campus. The resulting scholarly and intellectual community would contribute to one of the fastest growing area studies and would encourage students and faculty to consider how knowledge and scholarship on the Middle East can promote their academic and professional careers.

Why Middle East Studies program at TCU:

- **A Middle East Studies program responds to a growing demand among TCU students** as expressed in a SGA resolution and students' survey. The SGA team promoting this issue (including the survey) are Bryn Tony (Political Science), Jacob Greenstein (Political Science), and Mohamed Sharaf (Business).
  - Of 80 students who participated in the survey, 71 agreed that a Middle East Studies minor would improve TCU’s efforts to educate students to be responsible global citizens.
  - 38 of the students surveyed reported that they would pursue a Middle East Studies minor if it were offered.
  - Recently the Student Government Association passed a resolution to support the addition of a Middle East Studies Minor.

- **A Middle East Studies program contributes to and supports the TCU Mission** that affirms global learning as an integral part of our identity and that aims "[t]o educate individuals to think and act as ethical leaders and responsible citizens in the global community."

- **The program benefits from and builds on already offered classes by existing faculty members.** A tentative list of classes that focus exclusively or substantially on the Middle East reveals that 11 TCU faculty members offer 29 such courses in different disciplines. The TCU Study Abroad is currently building a new program in Istanbul, Turkey. Several members of TCU faculty enjoy intensive professional expertise and knowledge on the region and have expressed commitment to contribute to the MES program. Dr. Manochehr Dorraj, Dr. Rima Abunasser, Dr. Hanan Hammad, Dr. Sodiq Yushau, and Dr. Nada Elias-Lambert, are just few of TCU faculty who has lived and worked in Iran, Lebanon, Jordan, Egypt, Saudi Arabia, and Morocco.

- **A Middle East program can benefit and contribute to other active programs on campus, including Jewish Studies, Honors College, Study Abroad, and Women and Gender Studies.** In recent discussions with colleagues in the first three of the above-mentioned programs, they all promised close cooperation and coordination.

- **A Middle East Studies program could help recruiting among diverse student groups such as ROTC, Arab- and Muslim-Americans and Jewish Americans.**
What Could Middle East Studies Offer TCU Students and Community?

I. Degrees: Middle East Studies would offer a minor and as an emphasis on both the BA and BS degrees.

- Minor
Students seeking the minor complete 18 hours (6 courses) from the approved list.

- Emphasis
Students seeking the emphasis in Middle East studies complete 15 hours (5 courses) from the approved list. Emphasis students may count MES-approved courses toward both their major and the emphasis. Emphasis students in programs requiring a minor must complete a minor in another disciplinary field.

II. Activities: In addition to providing interdisciplinary courses for minor and emphasis students, the program engages campus-wide community in a variety of activities as following:

- A research symposium leading to increase participation in Add/Ran Research Festival

- Research competition: offers a word to the best research paper in a topic relates to Middle East. The competition is open to undergraduate students from all majors and minors.

- Research Colloquia: A forum for all students from all majors and minors planning to pursue a research project (thesis, a conference paper...etc.) on topics relate to Middle East to discuss their proposals with interested audience aiming at helping sharpen and develop the project.

- Veterans Roundtables: twice a year this event opens a fair and compassionate discussion with veteran students, faculty, and non-veteran students. The immediate goal is double fold. First, help veteran students to speak up about their experiences and put it in social and historical contexts. Second, get non- veterans hear and learn from those who have firsthand experiences in the Middle East/Muslim regions. The ultimate goal is to help veteran students to integrate better in TCU community. Professor Rev. Rita Nakashima of Brite (Founding Co-Director The Soul Repair Center) has agreed to facilitate this type of events.

- Speakers: Middle East Studies program will work with all departments and programs to host renowned speakers in the field of Middle East Studies. Both Honors College and the International Studies hosted two important Middle East specialists as speakers this spring. Faculty with expertise on Middle East played instrumental role in facilitating these events. Middle East Studies will engage in similar events and tap on these sources to bring more speakers to campus.
**-Arab League Model**

Middle East Studies will prepare selected TCU students to form a delegate to the ALM.

**Annual cultural events such as:**

- **Film Festivals:** Arabic/ Iranian/ Middle Eastern cinema weeks

- **Arab Culture Week:** Celebrate different Arab cosines, fashions and other aspects of popular cultures.

- **Persian NoRuz (New Year) Party**

These events are to raise awareness about Middle Eastern cultures and history while providing entertainment and fun. International Student Office and Study Abroad program would be a great source to host and support these events.
Middle East programs in North Texas

“The Middle East is an area of the world that receives intense focus by the United States government, and the strategic importance of the Middle East is strong and ever-increasing. Speakers of Arabic, at all proficiency levels, are in great demand in the Western world. With the growing importance of the Middle East in international affairs, there is an extreme shortage of workers in the West who are versed in Arabic language and culture. Those who study Arabic are well-prepared for careers in a variety of fields.”*

Introduction:

The University of Texas at Austin is home to one of the largest programs devoted to Middle East languages and culture in North America. Housed in the College of Liberal Arts, the Center and the Department of Middle Eastern Studies offer language and content courses, and comprehensive undergraduate and graduate programs of study.

The data I offer here is drawn from neighboring higher education institutes in North Texas, in an effort to realize that our neighboring institutes of all sizes, academic prestige, and repute focus on the thriving Middle East Studies.

I. Dallas County Community College District:

Eastfield College and Richland College, both members of the Dallas County Community College District, provide Middle East Studies in broader area studies programs entitled Asian-American/Middle Eastern-American Studies. The program offers an interdisciplinary approach to the study of the rich and diverse cultural traditions of Asia and the Middle East and their impact on the development of the Asian-American culture.

II. Dallas Baptist University

The Middle East Studies Program at Dallas Baptist University focuses on engaging the Arab-Muslim world in addition to Israeli Jews and Christian Arabs—seeking to learn from all the children of Abraham. Interdisciplinary speaker seminars, Arabic language study, and service work with various aid societies all provide MESP students with opportunities to explore the diverse religious, cultural and political tapestry of Middle Eastern societies.

III. University of Texas-Dallas and University of Texas-Arlington

University of Texas-Dallas offers a graduate program in Middle East History through the School of Arts and Humanities. The Arabic Program at the University of Texas at Arlington offers major, minor, and Certificate in Localization & Translation.

IV. Southern Methodist University and Baylor University

SMU and Baylor University offer impressive programs on Middle East Studies and Languages. At SMU, students may specialize in the region by focusing on the Middle East either as part of a major in International and Area Studies or as a minor in Middle East Studies. Students may also minor in Arabic through the Department of World Languages and Literatures.

V. Arab and Middle East Studies, Baylor University

Baylor University prides itself with the increasing number of student enrolment in both Arabic and Middle East Studies over the past decade and considers the increase “follows a national trend, as evidenced by a Modern Language Association report that found the study of Arabic to have registered the largest percentage growth among language studies at U.S. colleges and universities in recent years.” Students at Baylor University can major in Arabic and Middle East Studies to carry out significant study of the Arabic language and associated cultures. Students seeking a broad introduction to the region can take the Middle East Studies minor as an interdepartmental and interdisciplinary program.
House of Student Representatives
101st Session
Texas Christian University

H.R. 101-15

Introduced By: Jacob Greenstein
Bryan Tony

Action Taken: Passed

Certified By: Alex Cohen
Speaker of the House

Date: February 24, 2015

Duly Approved: Cody Westphal
Student Body President

“A Resolution to Support the Addition of a Middle Eastern Studies Minor”

Whereas: The university is moving to better fit its mission statement through projects like the Academy of Tomorrow, and

Whereas: The addition of more degree opportunities with global foci help the university achieve said goal, and

Whereas: Students and faculty have expressed interest in the addition of a Middle Eastern Studies Minor, and

Whereas: This minor would appeal to a broad range of students in multiple disciplines, therefore

Let it be resolved by the House of Student Representatives at Texas Christian University:

(1) The House of Student Representatives supports the addition of a Middle Eastern Studies Minor.
Middle Eastern Studies Minor

Survey Results

Question 01  On a scale of 1-10, how well do you think TCU meets its goal to educate students to be responsible global citizens?

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Answers</th>
<th>Skips</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>99%</td>
<td>1%</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Question 02  Would the addition of a Middle Eastern Studies minor improve the above ranking?

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>Answers</th>
<th>Skips</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>96%</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>4%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>No</td>
<td>71</td>
<td>9</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>89%</td>
<td>11%</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Question 03  Would you pursue a Middle Eastern Studies minor if it were offered?

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>Answers</th>
<th>Skips</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>96%</td>
<td>4%</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>No</td>
<td>42</td>
<td>38</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>53%</td>
<td>48%</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Question 04  Do you think the addition of a Middle Eastern Studies minor would enhance other programs at TCU? If so, which ones?

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Answers</th>
<th>Skips</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>61</td>
<td>22</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>73%</td>
<td>27%</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

https://polldaddy.com/surveys/2126930/report
Any of the world citizen requirements by this school would greatly be enhanced by this minor.

Yes, international studies, foreign language and global awareness credit for the TCU Core

The only way I could see it enhancing other programs is if additional professors are brought in to complement the minor, and those same professors teach more intensive classes relating to the Middle East.

Middle Eastern studies could enhance the global learning of several majors, including history, political science, and religion, if not more.

Yes

I don't know

---

Question 05

On a scale of 1-10, how diverse do you think TCU’s course catalog is?

Answers | Skips
---|---
80 | 3
96% | 4%

---

Question 06

Would the addition of a Middle Eastern Studies minor improve the above score?

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>0%</th>
<th>46%</th>
<th>92%</th>
<th>COUNT</th>
<th>PERCENT</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>72</td>
<td>91%</td>
<td>9%</td>
<td>7</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>No</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>95%</td>
<td>5%</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

https://poll daddy.com/surveys/21268930/report
07 Is an understanding of the Middle East, its history, culture, geography, etc. important?

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>0%</th>
<th>49.5%</th>
<th>99%</th>
<th>COUNT</th>
<th>PERCENT</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>79</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>73</td>
<td>99%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>No</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1%</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

08 Question

What would you like to see included in a Middle Eastern Studies minor?

- I would like to see classes ranging from cultural studies to current topics
  108,202,118

- Understanding the Middle Eastern Conflict
  108,128,048

- Modern studies, such as the formation of groups like the Muslim Brotherhood and ISIS
  108,094,784

- I would like to see classes on how religion in the Middle East impacts the politics, history of terrorism, and a history of ethnic groups in the Middle East. It would also be interesting to have a class dissecting relationships between the Middle East and the United States, in addition to the Middle East and the United Nations.
  108,078,650

- Comprehensive understanding of the history and culture
  Basic learning of the political structures and issues
  108,073,285

- A look into their history, because the little that I know is from a minute look into the India and Great Britain colonial history that I read in a novel, "A Passage to India," in my British Literature course. Also, a look into their culture, because that builds global citizens (TCU's mission)
  108,065,526
Middle East Studies
AddRan College
Texas Christian University

Description:
Middle East Studies is an interdisciplinary program that critically examines historical, social, political, cultural, and religious conditions of states and societies of the Middle East and Eastern communities in Diaspora. The overarching goal of the program is to provide students a deeper understanding of the complexity of one of the most critical, but least understood, region in world politics and cultures.

Middle East Studies Minor Requirements:

Students seeking the minor complete 18 hours as following:

- Two required courses:
  1- Introduction to Islamic Civilization (HIS 10803) **OR** Introduction to Islam (RELI 30543 Islam)
  2- Introduction to Modern Middle East History (HIS 10813) **OR** Intro to Middle East Politics (POSC 35503)

- Students choose the remaining 12 hours from courses that carry the MES attribute from at least three different departments.

Additional Minor Requirement information:

- No more than nine hours may be taken throughout the minor program in any one department

- At least nine hours must be at the 30000 level or above.

- Courses may not count for both major and minor requirements. For example, if the student seeks a Middle East minor and a history major, HIST 10803 (Introduction to Islamic Civilizations) could count towards the requirements for the minor **OR** the requirements for the major, but not both.

Middle East Studies Emphasis Requirements:

Students seeking the emphasis in Middle East studies complete 15 hours:

- Two required courses Introduction classes:
  1- Introduction to Islamic Civilization (HIS 10803) **OR** Introduction to Islam (RELI 30543 Islam)
  2- Introduction to Modern Middle East History (HIS 10813) **OR** Intro to Middle East Politics (POSC 35503)
- Students choose the remaining three additional courses that carry the MES attribute.

- Emphasis students may count MES-approved courses toward their major/ minor and the emphasis, and may also concentrate their MES electives in a single department.

- Emphasis students in programs requiring a minor must complete a minor in another disciplinary field.

**A list of currently approved courses**

POSC 33033 — Energy & Global Geostrategy  
POSC 33703 — Mideast Conflits  
POSC 35033 — Islam and Politics  
POSC 35043 — Politics of Developing Nations  
POSC 35503 — The Politics and Culture of Middle East and North Africa

RELI 30543 — Islam  
RELI 30873 — Islam in America  
RELI 10023 — Understanding Religion: Communities: Discovering Other Faiths.  
RELI 10023 — Understanding Religion: Communities: World Religions  
RELI 30863 — Religion and Violence  
RELI 10023 — Understanding Religion: Communities: Judaism, Christianity and Islam  
RELI 10043 — Understanding Religion: Society and Culture: World Religions Through the Arts

HIS 10803 — Introduction to Islamic Civilization  
HIS 10813 — Introduction to Modern Middle East History  
HIST 30703 — Modern Egypt  
HIST 30713 — Revolutionary Iran  
HIST 30723 — Women in Middle East

ENGL 20933 — Non-Western Literature  
ENGL 20213 — Global Women's Writing.  
ENGL 30793 — Multi-Ethnic Literature of World

ANTH 30323 — Comparative Studies in Transnational Migration  
ANTH 30973 — Multicultural France: Citizenship, Identity, and Nationalism

Other courses may be applied to the minor with the approval of the minor coordinator.
Dear Dean Butler,
Here’s one approval from the chair of the Anthropology Department. I’ll forward each message one by one.
Thank you very much,
Hanan

From: Wong, Morrison  
Sent: Friday, March 27, 2015 1:43 PM  
To: Hammad, Hanan  
Cc: Butler, Michael (Professor); Lahutsky, Nadia; Worthing, Peter; Steele, Karen; Green, Joanne; Leatham, Miguel; Lambiase, Jacqueline  
Subject: Approval of Middle East classes in Anthropology

Dear Hanan,

You have my permission and that of the Anthropology Program to include two Anthropology courses:

  ANTH 40433 – Comparatives Studies in Transnational Migration  
  ANTH 30973 – Multicultural France: Citizenship, Identity, and Nationalism

in your proposal to establish a Middle East Studies minor in AddRan College. If you need a more formal response, please let me know.

Best,
Morri

Morrison G. Wong, Ph.D.  
Chair  
Department of Sociology and Anthropology  
Texas Christian University  
Fort Worth, Texas 76129  
817-257-7472
Butler, Michael (Professor)

From: Hammad, Hanan
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2015 3:38 PM
To: Butler, Michael (Professor)
Subject: English department

From: Steele, Karen
Sent: Wednesday, March 25, 2015 5:24 PM
To: Hammad, Hanan
Subject: Re: Middle East class in your department

Dear Hanan,
I am happy to provide my endorsement of your proposal to establish a minor in Middle East Studies. We have one faculty member, Dr Rima Abunasser, who is committed to offering a regular rotation of courses that are either focused on or have a significant component of materials on the Middle East, and she plans to develop at least one upper division course over the summer on the North African and Middle Eastern women's literature.

Best wishes,

Karen Steele
Professor and Chair, TCU Department of English
Faculty Affiliate, Program in Women and Gender Studies
TCU Box 297270
Fort Worth, TX 76129

k.steele@tcu.edu
817.257.7240 (main office)
http://www.eng.tcu.edu/faculty_staff/karen-steele/

On Mar 25, 2015, at 4:38 PM, Hammad, Hanan <h.hammad@tcu.edu> wrote:

Dear Department Chair,

My name is Hanan Hammad and I'm an assistant professor in History Department. I'm writing to you because one, or more, faculty member in your department teaches at least one course on the Middle East or with a substantial component on the Middle East. Attached please see the list of courses and teaching faculty. I'm seeking your kind permission to include such class/classes in my proposal to establish a Middle East Studies minor in AddRan College. I'd appreciate if you let me and Dr. Mike Butler, whom I Cc here, know your approval.

thank you very much,

Hanan
Butler, Michael (Professor)

From: Hammad, Hanan
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2015 3:37 PM
To: Butler, Michael (Professor)
Subject: History Department

---

From: Worthing, Peter
Sent: Wednesday, March 25, 2015 7:09 PM
To: Hammad, Hanan
Cc: Butler, Michael (Professor)
Subject: RE: Middle East class in your department

Fine with me.

Peter

---

From: Hammad, Hanan
Sent: Wednesday, March 25, 2015 4:37 PM
To: Lahutsky, Nadia; Worthing, Peter; Steele, Karen; Green, Joanne; Leatham, Miguel; Lambiase, Jacqueline
Cc: Butler, Michael
Subject: Middle East class in your department

Dear Department Chair,
My name is Hanan Hammad and I'm an assistant professor in History Department. I'm writing to you because one, or more, faculty member in your department teaches at least one course on the Middle East or with a substantial component on the Middle East. Attached please see the list of courses and teaching faculty. I'm seeking your kind permission to include such class/classes in my proposal to establish a Middle East Studies minor in AddRan College. I'd appreciate if you let me and Dr. Mike Butler, whom I Cc here, know your approval.

thank you very much,

Hanan
From: Lahutsky, Nadia  
Sent: Thursday, March 26, 2015 11:18 AM  
To: Hammad, Hanan  
Cc: Butler, Michael (Professor)  
Subject: Re: Middle East class in your department

I am, in principle, in favor of this, including the listing of all the courses.

However, I’d feel better if the list had course numbers and was accompanied by the narrative of how the courses were to be used.

Dr. Middleton does teach RELI 20503 & 20513, but the course title is Africa and the African Diaspora: History, Religion and Culture.

Dr. Sodiq’s classes are RELI 30543 Islam, RELI 30873 Islam in America, and then RELI 10023 Understanding Religion: Communities: Discovering Other Faiths.

Dr. Dennis is RELI 10023 Understanding Religion: Communities: World Religions, and RELI 30863 Religion and Violence.

Dr. Johnny Miles class is RELI 10023, Understanding Religion: Communities: Judaism, Christianity and Islam. Miles is on a one-year appointment this year; otherwise he is often an adjunct instructor.

Dr. Elwell’s is RELI 10043 Understanding Religion: Society and Culture: World Religions Through the Arts.

STUDENTS MAY TAKE 10023 ONLY ONE TIME, NO MATTER THE DIFFERENT SUBTITLES. In fact, given the nature of the introductory courses, for the purposes of the MES minor, I’d strongly recommend that only one introductory Religion course be allowed. You may have built this into the guidelines, but it has been a little while since you and I talked about it and I certainly do not recall any other details.

So, I repeat that I approve in principle. But I hope the materials are put together in such a way as not to cause additional confusion for students and, by extension, difficulties for me.

—Nadia
Butler, Michael (Professor)

From: Hammad, Hanan
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2015 3:27 PM
To: Butler, Michael (Professor)
Subject: approval from the Chair of the Department of Political Science

From: Green, Joanne
Sent: Thursday, March 26, 2015 4:57 PM
To: Butler, Michael (Professor); Hammad, Hanan
Subject: FW: Middle East class in your department

Mike and Hanan, I approve of the request to allow the classes listed below to fulfill a requirement for a new minor in Middle East Studies.

POSC 33033 — Energy & Global Geostrategy
POSC 33703 — Mideast Conflicts
POSC 35033 — Islam and Politics
POSC 35043 — Politics of Developing Nations
POSC 35503 — The Politics and Culture of Middle East and North Africa

Joanne Green

Joanne Connor Green
Professor and Chair, Department of Political Science
Interim Co-Director, Women and Gender Studies
Box 297021, 2007 Scharbauer Hall
Texas Christian University
Fort Worth, Texas 76129
(817)257-7395, fax (817)257-7397
j.green@tcu.edu

From: <Hammad>, Hanan <hhammad@tcu.edu>
Date: Wednesday, March 25, 2015 at 4:37 PM
To: "Lahutsky, Nadia" <n.lahutsky@tcu.edu>, "Worthing, Peter" <p.worthing@tcu.edu>, "Steele, Karen" <k.steele@tcu.edu>, TCU Admin <j.green@tcu.edu>, "Leatham, Miguel" <m.leatham@tcu.edu>, "Lambiase, Jacqueline" <j.lambiase@tcu.edu>
Cc: "Butler, Michael" <MICHAEL.J.BUTLER@tcu.edu>
Subject: Middle East class in your department

Dear Department Chair,

My name is Hanan Hammad and I’m an assistant professor in History Department. I’m writing to you because one, or more, faculty member in your department teaches at least one course on the Middle East or with a substantial component on the Middle East. Attached please see the list of courses and teaching faculty. I’m seeking your kind permission to include such class/classes in my proposal to establish a Middle East