

GEC GOALS/RATIONALE

Diversity: International issues courses help students become educated, productive, and principled citizens of their nation and world.

Students exhibit an understanding of economic, political, cultural, physical, and social differences among the nations of the world, including a specific examination of non-Western culture.

GEC LEARNING OBJECTIVES

1. The course will address various dimensions of international and global issues associated with the Middle East through discussion and analysis that is cognizant of social and economic differences and similarities, diversity, and complexity.
2. Students will be required to synthesize and apply knowledge from diverse disciplines to the study of a wide range of dimensions associated with the Middle East.
3. Students will be required to apply knowledge and insights to the comparative study of contemporary economic issues in the Middle East.
4. A range of theoretical/methodological approaches will be discussed and analyzed that will provide students with the scientific tools of inquiry to examine and gain knowledge associated with issues in the Middle East.
5. The course will bring into focus the integration of social, cultural, economic, geopolitical, and historical dynamics that will enrich and widen the students' understanding of the Middle Eastern region.