



MSA 180: Forced Migration in the Middle East and South Asia

(Course listed as “ME/SA Selected Themes”)

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Synchronous: Tues/Thurs 12:10pm-1:30pm (occasional meetings)

This course explores the histories and legacies of forced migration in the Middle East and South Asia during the twentieth century. Looking at the role of colonialism, partition, and social unrest in driving the movement of refugees, IDPs, and stateless peoples, we examine how everyday struggles for refugee protections, asylum, and citizenship influenced regional politics. Students will develop a research project on modern refugees using digitally curated primary sources.

MSA 180 offers a comparative perspective on the Middle East and South Asia, and is eligible for the GE credits: Arts/Humanities; Social Sciences; World Cultures; Writing Intensive (AH; SS; WC; WE)

Reading: Books: Wendy Pearlman, *We Crossed a Bridge and It Trembled*; Shira Robinson, *Citizen Strangers*; Udit Sen, *Citizen Refugee*; plus articles provided via Canvas. Students will also need to download the library VPN for the online research project.