At the Heart of the Middle East: Syria's History, Politics, and Civil War

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Course Description:
This course will track the history of Syria, focusing on its modern politics and the current civil war and terrorism. Syria, the center of the Muslim world centuries ago, is a devastated country today. It is at the heart of the Middle East's conflict between Sunni and Shi'ite axes, which involves many economic and strategic world powers as well. The course also deals with the Syrian national identity and how it was shaped by the struggle against the western involvement and the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Course Requirements: TBA

Grade Assessment: TBA

Course Outline and Reading List: TBA