



Midwest Institute for International-Intercultural Education

Summer Workshop
MIDDLE EAST & CENTRAL ASIA
August 20-24, 2012

Co-Sponsoring Universities and their International Centers

Ohio State University
(Middle East Studies)

University of California at Berkeley
(Middle Eastern Studies)

University of Michigan
(Middle East & North African Studies)

University of Pennsylvania
(Middle East Center)

University of Texas at Austin
(Middle Eastern Studies)

University of Wisconsin-Madison
(Russia, East Europe, and Central Asia)

Supporting Universities

Michigan State University
(Asian Studies, CASID-GGC)

University of Pittsburgh
(Russian and East European Studies)



Monday

- 8:00-9:00 **Registration and Refreshments**
- 9:00-9:30 **Welcome and Introductions**
- 9:30-10:40 **Globalization and Higher Education**
Theo Sypris, Midwest Institute
- 10:40-10:55 Refreshments Break
- 10:55-12:00 **Internationalizing the Curriculum**
Fran Kubicek and Theo Sypris, Midwest Institute
- 12:00-1:00 Lunch
- 1:00-2:15 **The Arab Spring in Context: A Historical Overview**
Salah Hassan, Michigan State University
- 2:15-2:45 Refreshments Break
- 2:45-4:00 **US Interventions in the Middle East**
Salah Hassan, Michigan State University

Tuesday

- 9:00-10:15 **Post-Communist Central Asia: The Search for Identity**
James Butterfield, Western Michigan University
- 10:15-10:45 Refreshments Break
- 10:45-12:00 **Building a Future While Reconnecting with the Past in the South
Caucasus: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia**
James Butterfield, Western Michigan University
- 12:00-1:00 Lunch
- 1:00-2:15 **Women, Gender, and Islam**
Emine Evered, Michigan State University
- 2:15-2:45 Refreshments Break
- 2:45-4:00 **Geopolitics and Ecologies of the Opium Poppy: Different Approaches to
the Matter of Drug Crops in the Middle East and Central Asia**
Kyle Evered, Michigan State University

Wednesday

- 9:00-10:15 **Popular Arab Uprisings in North Africa and the Middle East: International**



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Implications

Alam Payind, Ohio State University

10:15-10:45 Refreshments Break

10:45-12:00 **Current Political and Social Developments in Afghanistan**
Alam Payind, Ohio State University

12:00-1:00 Lunch

1:00-2:15 **Ibn Sina and the Spread of Medical Knowledge**
Stewart Gordon, University of Michigan

2:15-2:45 Refreshments Break

2:45-4:00 **Horse Warfare from Central Asia to the Middle East**
Stewart Gordon, University of Michigan

Thursday

9:00-10:15 **Simulating U.S. Decision-Making Concerning Policy Options Towards Iran**
Yael Aronoff, Michigan State University

10:15-10:45 Refreshments Break

10:45-12:00 **Simulating Peace Negotiations to Resolve the Arab-Israeli Conflict**
Yael Aronoff, Michigan State University

12:00-1:00 Lunch

1:00-2:15 **Tensions Between National Interests and International Compulsions: The Case of India and Iran**
Badri Rao, Kettering University

2:15-2:45 Refreshments Break

2:45-4:00 **Central Asia and its Revival on the Silk Road**
SuiWah Chan, University of Michigan

Friday

9:00-10:15 **Curriculum Development Reporting**

10:15-10:45 Refreshments Break

10:45-12:00 **Curriculum Development Reporting**



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12:00-1:00	Lunch
1:00-2:30	Curriculum Development Reporting
2:30-2:45	Refreshments Break
2:45-3:30	Debriefing, Evaluation, and Wrap-up