

**INTL 8315**  
**Comparative Politics of the Middle East**

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This graduate course explores recent scholarship on the politics of the Middle East and North Africa, with the aim of highlighting the mutual engagement of area studies and comparative politics. Most of the literature read will be from the post 2011 Arab uprisings (or Arab Spring) but we will also draw on some of the earlier important comparative politics works (as well as contributions from other disciplines) on the Middle East and North Africa on which current scholarship builds, and which it also critiques. We will cover various topics, addressed through a range of different theoretical and methodological lenses, that have long preoccupied political scientists working on the Middle East. These topics include: the persistence of authoritarianism, democratization, religion and state, civil society and political participation, Islamist movements, sectarianism, gender politics, the politics of oil, and others. Students will also work on independent research projects throughout the semester, and will workshop their work-in-progress in the seminars. Each project will culminate in a research paper, or a literature review and a research proposal/prospectus, to be submitted at the end of the semester.

**Seminar participation (20%)**

Come to class prepared to offer reflections on the readings, pose and answer discussion questions, and provide feedback to other students on their research projects. The seminar will be largely devoted to discussion of the readings and of students' work and will rely therefore on students' contribution.

**Presentations (20%)**

Twice in the semester, you will be asked to lead a seminar discussion on one of the assigned readings. This will involve a ten-minute introduction and evaluation of one of the readings, and a open discussion of the piece. In the last two weeks of the course, students will also give a formal presentation about their research projects.

**Reading Responses (20%)**

By Monday at 8pm each week students should post a one-page review and critique of the required readings for the upcoming Thursday class on ELC. In addition to analysis and reflection, the response should propose three discussion questions to be addressed in class.

### **Final Research Paper/Proposal (40%)**

A research paper/proposal, outlining a research question, a brief review of the literature research design, methods employed/to be employed, and preliminary empirical findings. This should be along the lines of a proposal for the Social Science Research Council IDRF program, or to NSF. Alternatively, students can write a more extensive literature review along the lines of *World Politics* review articles.

### **Required Texts**

- The following books are available at the UGA Bookstore. They are also available new and used from online vendors such as Amazon. In addition, I will make them available on course reserves at the UGA library:

-Brownlee, Jason. *Authoritarianism in an Age of Democratization*. Cambridge University Press, 2007.

-Stacher, Joshua. *Adaptable Autocrats: Regime Power in Egypt and Syria*. Stanford University Press, 2012.

- Jamal, Amaney. *Barriers to Democracy: The Other Side of Social Capital in Palestine and the Arab World*. Princeton University Press, 2007

- Brown, Nathan. *When Victory is Not an Option: Islamist Movements in Arab Politics*. Cornell University Press, 2012.

-Hashemi, Nader, and Danny Postel. *Sectarianization: Mapping the New Politics of the Middle East*. Oxford University Press, 2017.

- All articles and most chapters will be available on ELC or available online.
- Students who need additional background on Middle East politics, or are interested in teaching undergraduate Middle East politics courses in the future, can purchase: Lust, Ellen. *The Middle East*, 14<sup>th</sup> Edition, CQ Press, at the UGA Bookstore.
- To keep abreast of new publications, follow the Project on Middle East Political Science (POMEPS) at <http://pomeps.org>
- I also highly suggest following current events in the Middle East through such sources as Al-Monitor: <http://www.al-monitor.com>  
Sada: <http://carnegieendowment.org/sada/>  
Foreign Policy: <http://foreignpolicy.com/channel/middle-east-africa>  
Al-Jazeera: <http://www.aljazeera.com/news/middleeast>  
New York Times: <http://www.nytimes.com>

## Schedule and Readings

\*\*\* Please note that this is a tentative schedule and changes will be made during the semester

### Week 1 (Jan 9): Introduction

- *The Square*

### Week 2 (Jan 16): Studying Middle East Politics

- Tessler, Mark, Jodi Nachtwey, and Anne Banda. "Introduction: The Area Studies Controversy." In *Area Studies and Social Science: Strategies for Understanding Middle East Politics*, edited by Mark Tessler. Indian University Press, 1999: vii-xv.
- Anderson, Lisa. "Politics in the Middle East: Opportunities and Limits in the Quest for Theory." In *Area Studies and Social Science: Strategies for Understanding Middle East Politics*, edited by Mark Tessler. Indian University Press, 1999.
- Bayat, Asef. "Studying Middle Eastern Societies: Imperatives and Modalities of Thinking Comparatively." *Middle East Studies Association Bulletin*. (Winter 2001): 1-8.
- Gause, Gregory. "The Middle East Academic Community and the 'Winter of Arab Discontent': Why Did We Miss It?" *Stimson Report*. (May 2011).
- Haddad, Bassam. "Knowledge production on the Middle East in times of upheaval." *PS* 46, no.2 (2013).

Recommended:

- Anderson, Lisa. "Too Much Information: Political Science, the University and the Public Sphere." *Perspectives on Politics* 10, no.2 (2012): 385-396.
- Bayat, Asaf. "Arab Revolutions and the Study of Middle Eastern Societies." *International Journal of Middle East Studies* 43, no. 3 (2011): 386.
- Heydemann, Steve. "Defending the Discipline: Middle East Studies After 9/11." *Journal of Democracy* 13:3. (2002): 103-107.
- Calhoun, Craig. "Libyan Money, Academic Missions, and Public Social Science." *Public Culture* 24, no.1 (2012): 9-45.

### Week 3 (Jan 23): Authoritarian Resilience and Democratization

- Bellin, Eva. "Reconsidering the Robustness of Authoritarianism in the Middle East: Lessons from the Arab Spring." *Comparative Politics* 44, no. 2 (2012): 127-149.
- Brownlee, Jason. *Authoritarianism in an Age of Democratization*. Cambridge University Press, 2007 (selections).
- Stacher, Joshua. *Adaptable autocrats: regime power in Egypt and Syria*. Stanford University Press, 2012 (selections).
- Byman, Daniel. "Regime Change in the Middle East: Problems and Prospects." *Political Science Quarterly* 127, no.1 (2012): 25-46.

Recommended:

- Albrecht, Holger. "How can opposition support authoritarianism? Lessons from Egypt." *Democratization* 12.3 (2005): 378-397.
- Brownlee, Jason. "Hereditary Succession in Modern Autocracies." *World Politics*. (July 2007).
- Herb, Michael. "Princes and parliaments in the Arab world." *The Middle East Journal* 58.3 (2004): 367-384
- Lucas, Russell E. "Monarchical authoritarianism: survival and political liberalization in a Middle Eastern regime type." *International Journal of Middle East Studies* 36.01 (2004): 103-119.
- Benhabib, Seyla. "The new legitimation crises of Arab states and Turkey." *Philosophy & Social Criticism* 40.4-5 (2014): 349-358.
- Hess, Steve. "From the Arab spring to the Chinese winter: The institutional sources of authoritarian vulnerability and resilience in Egypt, Tunisia and China." *International Political Science Review* (2013)
- Menaldo, Victor. "The Middle East and North Africa's Resilient Monarchs." *Journal of Politics* 74, no. 3 (2012): 707-722.
- Lust-Okar, Ellen. *Structuring conflict in the Arab world: Incumbents, opponents, and institutions*. Cambridge University Press, 2005.
- Yom, Sean L. and F. Gregory Gause III. "Resilient Royals: How Arab Monarchies Hang On." *Journal of Democracy* 23, no. 4 (2012): 74-90.
- Wedeen, Lisa. "Seeing like a Citizen, Acting like a State: Exemplary Events in Unified Yemen." *Comparative Studies in Society and History* 45. 2003: 680-713.

#### **Week 4 (Jan 30): Elections**

- Competitive clientelism in the Middle East." *Journal of Democracy* 20.3 (2009): 122-135.
- Brownlee, Jason. "Executive Elections in the Arab World: When and How Do They Matter?" *Comparative Political Studies*. (2011): 807-828.
- de Miguel, Carolina, Amaney Jamal, and Mark Tessler. "Elections in the Arab World: Why Do Citizens Turn Out?." (2014).
- Ahmed, Amel. "Revolutionary blind spots: The politics of electoral choice and the Egyptian transition." *Middle East Law and Governance* 3 (2011), 3-12.
- Keshavarzian, Arang. "Contestation without Democracy: Elite Fragmentation in Iran." In *Authoritarianism in the Middle East: Regimes and Resistance*. Edited by Marsha Pripstein Posusney and Michele Angrist. Boulder: Lynne Rienner Publishers, 2005.

#### Recommended:

- Elgindy, Khaled. "Egypt's Troubled Transition: Elections without Democracy." *Journal of Democracy* 35, no. 2 (2012): 89-104.
- Carey, John M. and Andrew Reynolds. "The Impact of Election Systems." *Journal of Democracy* 22, no. 4 (2011): 36-47.
- Blaydes, Lisa. *Elections and Distributive Politics in Mubarak's Egypt*. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2011.

- Lust, Ellen. "Elections and Parties." In *The Arab Uprisings in Comparative Perspective*, edited by Marc Lynch. Columbia University Press. (forthcoming).
- Tessler, Mark, Jamal Amaney and Carolina G. de Miguel. "Determinants of Political Participation and Electoral Behavior in the Arab World: Findings and Insights from the Arab Barometer." Working paper, 2011.
- Posusney, Marsha Pripstein. "Multi-party elections in the Arab world: Institutional engineering and oppositional strategies." *Studies in Comparative International Development* 36.4 (2002)

### **Week 5 (Feb 6): Civil Society and Social Movements**

- Jamal, Amaney. *Barriers to Democracy: The Other Side of Social Capital in Palestine and the Arab World*. Princeton University Press, 2007: 1-20, 50-95, 127-138
- Langhor, Vicky. "Too Much Civil Society, Too Little Politics: Egypt and Liberalizing Arab Regimes." *Comparative Politics* (June 2004)
- Leenders, Reinoud. "Collective action and mobilization in Dar'a: An anatomy of the onset of Syria's popular Uprising." *Mobilization* 17, no.4 (2012), 419-434.
- Pearlman, Wendy. "Emotions and the Microfoundations of the Arab Uprisings." *Perspectives on Politics* 11, no.2 (2013), 387-409.
- Wedeen, Lisa. "The Politics of Deliberation: Qat Chews as Public Spheres in Yemen." *Public Culture* 19: 1. (2007): 59-84.
- El-Mahdi, Rabab. "Enough! Egypt's Quest for Democracy." *Comparative Political Studies* 42. (2009): 1011-1039.

#### Recommended:

- Beinin, Joel and Frédéric Vairel, eds. *Social Movements, Mobilization, and Contestation in the Middle East and North Africa*. Stanford, CA: Stanford University Press, 2011 .
- Augustus, Norton R. *Civil Society in the Middle East*. BRILL (1995) □1-25.
- Clarke, Killian. "Unexpected Brokers of Mobilization: Contingency and Networks in the 2011 Egyptian Uprising." *Comparative Politics* 46.4 (2014): 379-397.
- Meirowitz, Adam and Joshua Tucker. "People Power or a One Shot Deal? A Dynamic Model of Protest." *American Journal of Political Science* 57, no.2 (2013): 478-490.
- Benski, Tova and Lauren Langman. "The effects of affects: The place of emotions in the mobilizations of 2011." *Current Sociology* 61.4 (2013): 525-540.
- Härdig, Anders C. "Beyond the Arab revolts: conceptualizing civil society in the Middle East and North Africa." *Democratization* ahead-of-print (2014): 1-23.
- Ismail, Salwa. "The Syrian Uprising: Imagining and Performing the Nation." *Studies in Ethnicity and Nationalism* 11: 3 (2011): 538-549.
- Leenders, Reinoud and Steven Heydemann. "Popular Mobilization in Syria: Opportunity and Threat, and the Social Networks of Early Risers." *Mediterranean Politics* 17, no.2 (2012): 139-159.
- Meirowitz, Adam and Joshua Tucker. "People Power or a One Shot Deal? A Dynamic Model of Protest." *American Journal of Political Science* 57, no.2 (2013): 478-490.

- Pearlman, Wendy. *Violence, nonviolence, and the Palestinian national movement*. Cambridge University Press, 2011.
- Bayat, Asef. *Life as Politics: How Ordinary People Change Politics*. Stanford University Press, 2010.
- Schwedler, Jillian. "Cop Rock: Protest, Identity and Dancing Riot Police in Jordan." *Social Movement Studies* 4:2. (2005): 155-175.

### **Week 6 (Feb 13): Religion and the State**

- Fish, Steven. "Islam and Authoritarianism," *World Politics* 55 (October 2002)..
- Lust, Ellen. "Missing the Third Wave: Islam, Institutions and Democracy in the Middle East," *Studies in Comparative International Development* (June 2011).
- Hoffman, Michael and Amaney Jamal. "Religion in the Arab Spring: Between Two Competing Narratives." *The Journal of Politics* 76.3 (2014): 595-606
- Bayat, Asef. *Making Islam Democratic: Social Movements and the Post-Islamist Turn*. Stanford: Stanford University Press, 2007: Chapter 1
- Tepe, Sultan. "Religious Parties and Democracy: A Comparative Assessment of Israel and Turkey." *Democratization* 12:3. (June 2005): 283-307.
- Bellin, Eva. "Faith in Politics: New Trends in the Study of Religion and Politics," *World Politics* 60:2. (January 2008): 315-347.

Recommended:

- Elsayyad, May. "Voting Islamist or voting secular? An empirical analysis of voting outcomes in Egypt's "Arab Spring"." *Public Choice* 160.1-2 (2014): 109-130
- Masoud, Tarek. *Counting Islam: Religion, Class, and Elections in Egypt*. Cambridge University Press, 2014.
- Tessler, Mark. "Religion, religiosity and the place of Islam in political life: insights from the Arab barometer surveys." *Middle East Law and Governance* 2.2 (2010): 221-252.
- Hefner, Robert, ed. *Remaking Muslim Politics: Pluralism Contestation, Democratization*. Princeton University Press, 2005.
- Yavuz, M. Hakan. *Secularism and Muslim democracy in Turkey*. Cambridge University Press, 2009.
- An-Na'im Na, Abdullahi Ahmed. *Islam and the secular state: Negotiating the future of Sharia*. Harvard University Press, 2009.

### **Week 7 (Feb 20): Islamists in Opposition and in Power**

- Brown, Nathan. *When Victory is Not an Option: Islamist Movements in Arab Politics*. Cornell University Press, 2012: Chapters 1, 6 and 7.
- Hamid, Shadi. *Temptations of power: Islamists and illiberal democracy in a new Middle East*. Oxford University Press, 2014 (selections).
- Sadowski, Yahya. "Political Islam: Asking the Wrong Questions?" *Annual Review of Political Science* (2006): 215-240.

- Schwedler, Jillian. "Can Islamists become moderates? Rethinking the inclusion-moderation hypothesis." *World Politics* 63.02 (2011): 347-376.
- Masoud, Tarek. "Are They Democrats: Does It Matter?" *Journal of Democracy* 19.3 (2008): 19-24.

Recommended:

- El-Ghobashy, Mona. "The metamorphosis of the Egyptian Muslim brothers." *International Journal of Middle East Studies* 37.03 (2005): 373-395.
- Lefèvre, Raphaël. *Ashes of Hama: The Muslim Brotherhood in Syria*. Oxford University Press, 2013.
- Wickham, Carrie Rosefsky. *The Muslim Brotherhood: evolution of an islamist movement*. Princeton University Press, 2015.
- Clark, Janine. "Threats, Structures and Resources: Cross-Ideological Coalition Building in Jordan." *Comparative Politics*. (October 2010): 101-119.
- Euban, Roxanne L. *Enemy in the Mirror: Islamic Fundamentalism and the Limits of Modern Rationalism*. Princeton University Press, 1999.
- Mitchell, Richard Paul. *The society of the Muslim Brothers*. Oxford University Press, USA, 1993.

### **Week 8 (Feb 27): Rethinking Islamist Politics**

- (POMEPS) Adaptation Strategies of Islamist Movements <https://pomeps.org/2017/04/03/pomeps-studies-26/>
- (POMEPS) Evolving Methodologies in the Study of Islamism: [https://pomeps.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/POMEPS\\_Studies\\_17\\_Methods\\_Web.pdf](https://pomeps.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/POMEPS_Studies_17_Methods_Web.pdf)

### **Week 9 (March 6): Gender and the State**

- Ross, Michael. "Oil, Islam, and women." *American Political Science Review* 102.01 (2008): 107-123.
- Abu-Lughod, Lila. "Do Muslim women really need saving? Anthropological reflections on cultural relativism and its others." *American anthropologist* 104.3 (2002): 783-790.
- Cherif, Feryal. "Culture, Rights, and Norms: Women's Rights Reform in Muslim Countries." *Journal of Politics* 72. (October, 2010): 1144-60.
- Moghadam, Valentine. "Modernizing women and democratization after the Arab Spring." *The Journal of North African Studies* 19.2 (2014)
- Al-Rasheed, Madawi. *A most masculine state: Gender, politics and religion in Saudi Arabia*. Cambridge University Press, 2013. (Introduction)

Recommended:

- Angrist, Michele Penner. "War, Resisting the West, and Women's Labor: Toward an Understanding of Arab Exceptionalism." *Politics and Gender* 8. (2012): 51-82.
- Blaydes, Lisa and Drew Linzer. "The Political Economy of Women's Support for

Fundamentalism Islam.” *World Politics* 60:4. (July 2008).

- Charrad, Mounira. *States and Women's Rights: The Making of Postcolonial Tunisia, Algeria, and Morocco*. California: University of California Press, 2001: 1-13, 145-241.
- Charrad, Mounira M., and Amina Zarrugh. “Equal or complementary? Women in the new Tunisian Constitution after the Arab Spring.” *The Journal of North African Studies* 19.2 (2014): 230-243.
- Donno, Daniela and Bruce Russett. “Islam, Authoritarianism, and Female Empowerment: What are the Linkages?” *World Politics* 56:4. (2004): 582-607.
- Langhi, Zahra. “Gender and state-building in Libya: towards a politics of inclusion.” *The Journal of North African Studies* 19.2 (2014): 200-210.

### **Week 10 (March 20) Gender and Activism**

- Ben Shitrit, Lihi. *Righteous Transgressions: Women's Activism on the Israeli and Palestinian Religious Right*. Princeton 2015. (Introduction and chapter 3)
- Mahmood, Saba. "Feminist theory, embodiment, and the docile agent: Some reflections on the Egyptian Islamic revival." *Cultural anthropology* 16, no. 2 (2001): 202-236.
- Clark, Janine and Jillain Schwedler. “Who Opened the Window? Women's Activism in Islamist Parties.” *Comparative Politics*. (April 2003): 293-309.
- Deeb, Lara. *An Enchanted Modern: Gender and Public Piety in Shi'i Lebanon*. Princeton University Press, 2011 (Introduction and chapter 7).

Recommended:

- Singerman, Diane. “Youth, Gender and Dignity in the Egyptian Uprising.” *Journal of Middle East Women's Studies* 9, no.3 (2013): 1-27.
- Olimat, Muhamad S. *Arab Spring and Arab Women: Challenges and Opportunities*. New York: Routledge, 2014.
- Elsadda, Hoda. “Women's rights activism in post-Jan25 Egypt: Combating the Shadow of the First Lady Syndrom in the Arab World.” *Middle East Law and Governance* 3 (2011), 84-93.
- Hafez, Sherine. “The revolution shall not pass through women's bodies: Egypt, uprising and gender politics.” *The Journal of North African Studies* 19.2 (2014): 172-185.
- Johansson-Nogues, Elisabeth. “Gendering the Arab Spring?” *Security Dialogue* 44, no.5-6: 393-409.
- McKanders, Karla Mari. “Anatomy of an Uprising: Women, Democracy, And The Moroccan Feminist Spring.” *BU International Law Journal* 32 (2014): 147-227.
- Hatem, Mervat. “Economic and Political Liberation in Egypt and the Demise of State Feminism.” *International Journal of Middle East Studies* 24: 2. (1992): 231-251.
- MacLeod, Arlene. “Hegemonic Relations and Gender Resistance: The New Veiling as Accommodating Protest in Cairo.” *Signs* 17. (Spring 1992): 533-557.
- Mir-Hosseini, Ziba. “Hijab and Choice.” In *Innovation in Islam*, edited by Mehran Kamrava. University of California Press, 2011: 190-212.
- Ahmed, Leila. *A Quiet Revolution: The Veil's Resurgence from the Middle East to America*. New Haven: Yale University Press, 2011.

- Ahmed, Leila. *Women and Gender in Islam: Historical Roots of Modern Debate*. Yale University Press, 1992. (Selections).
- Barlas, Asma. *Believing Women in Islam: Unreading Patriarchal Interpretations of the Quran*. Texas University Press, 2002.
- Mahmood, Saba. *Politics of piety: The Islamic revival and the feminist subject*. Princeton University Press, 2011.

### **Week 11 (March 27): Political Economy**

- Ross, Michael. "Does Oil Hinder Democracy?" *World Politics* 53:3 (2001)
- Herb, Michael. "No Representation without Taxation? Rents, Development, and Democracy." *Comparative Politics* 37:3 (2005)
- Cammett, Melani and Sukriti Issar. "Bricks and Mortar Clientelism: The Political Geography of Welfare in Lebanon." *World Politics* 62. (July 2010).
- Shehata, Samer S. *Shop Floor Culture and Politics in Egypt*. Albany: State University of New York, 2009: Chapter 1 (1-17), Chapter 2 (19-56), Chapter 4 (95-126), Chapter 6 (157-182).

Recommended:

- Melani Cammett. 2014, *Compassionate Communalism: Welfare and Sectarianism in Lebanon*, Cornell University Press. Introduction, pp. 1-6, and chapters 2 and 3, pp. 38-85.
- Kuran, Timur. "Why the Middle East is economically underdeveloped: historical mechanisms of institutional stagnation." *Journal of economic perspectives* (2004): 71-90.
- Haddad, Bassam. *Business networks in Syria: The political economy of authoritarian resilience*. Stanford University Press, 2011.1-22, 33-35, 81-118.
- Posusney, Marsha Pripstein. "Irrational Workers: The Moral Economy of Labor Protest in Egypt." *World Politics* 46:1 (Oct 1993).
- Keshavarzian, Arang. *Bazaar and State in Iran: The Politics of the Tehran Marketplace*. Cambridge University Press, 2007.
- Michael Herb, *The Wages of Oil: Parliaments and Economic Development in Kuwait and the UAE*
- Hertog, Steffan. "Defying the Resource Curse: Explaining Successful State-Owned Enterprises in Rentier States." *World Politics* 62:2. (April 2010): 261-301.
- Mitchell, Timothy. "Carbon Democracy." *Economy and Society* 38:3. (2009).

### **Week 12 (April 3): Sectarian Politics**

- Hashemi, Nader, and Danny Postel. *Sectarianization: Mapping the New Politics of the Middle East*. Oxford University Press, 2017 (selections).

Recommended:

- Vali Nasr, *The Shia Revival: How Conflicts within Islam Will Shape the Future*

- Wehrey, Frederic M. *Sectarian Politics in the Gulf: From the Iraq War to the Arab Uprisings*. New York: Columbia University Press, 2013 (Selections).
- Louër, Laurence. *Shiism and politics in the Middle East*. Hurst, 2012. (Intro, Chapter 4, Conclusion)
- F. Gregory Gause III, “Beyond Sectarianism: The New Middle East Cold War,” Brookings.
- Kingston, Paul WT. *Reproducing sectarianism: Advocacy networks and the politics of civil society in postwar Lebanon*. SUNY Press, 2013.
- Matthiesen, Toby. *Sectarian gulf: Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, and the Arab Spring that wasn't*. Stanford University Press, 2013.
- USIP Series on Sectarianism in the Middle East <http://www.usip.org/publications/usip-series-sectarianism-in-the-middle-east>

### **Week 13 (April 10): The Media**

- Lynch, Marc. *Voices of the new Arab public: Iraq, Al-Jazeera, and Middle East politics today*. Columbia University Press, 2006 (selections).
- Howard, Philip N. and Muzammil M. Hussain. “The Role of Digital Media.” *Journal of Democracy* 22, no. 3 (2011): 35-48.
- Salvatore, Armando. “New Media, the “Arab Spring”, and the Metamorphosis of the Public Sphere: Beyond Western Assumptions on Collective Agency and Democratic Politics.” *Constellations* 20 (2013)
- Khamis, Sahar, Paul B. Gold, and Katherine Vaughn. “Beyond Egypt’s ‘Facebook Revolution’ and Syria’s ‘YouTube Uprising:’ Comparing Political Contexts, Actors and Communication Strategies.” *Arab Media & Society* 15 (2012)
- In class: Egypt, We Are Watching You

Recommended:

- Lynch, Marc. “After Egypt: The Limits and Promise of Online Challenges to the Authoritarian Arab.” *Perspectives on Politics* 9, no. 2 (2011): 301-310.
- Eltantawy, N., & Wiest, J. “Social media in the Egyptian revolution: reconsidering resource mobilization theory.” *International Journal of Communication* 5 (2011): 1207–1224.
- Golan, Guy. “The gates of op-ed diplomacy: Newspaper framing of the 2011 Egyptian revolution.” *International Communication Gazette* (2013).
- Halverson, Jeffry, Scott Ruston and Angela Trethewy. “Mediated Martyrs of the Arab Spring: New Media, Civil Religion, and Narrative in Tunisia and Egypt.” *Journal of Communication* 63 (2013).
- Markham, Tim. “Social media, protest cultures and political subjectivities of the Arab spring.” *Media, Culture & Society* 36.1 (2014): 89-104.

**Week 14 (April 17):** Students’ presentations

**Week 15 (April 24):** Students’ presentations

**Final papers due May 1st, 6pm**