Christians of the Middle East: The Armenian Experience



HISTORY 232 Hakem Al-Rustom Winter 2017 – T/Th 11:30-1pm

This course is an introduction to the history of the diverse Christian populations and churches of the Middle East. With a focus on the Armenians and the Armenian Church, the course presents Armenian history of the region from the vantage point of cultural and social co-existence, as well theological interaction between various denominations of the region with a particular emphasis on Christian history under Arabo-Muslim polities. We map the patterns of exchange and coexistence between various populations of the region, with the aim is to bring to the surface the silenced chapters in the region's history that challenge the writing of the region's history as one of conflict between groups.

This course received the University Musical Society (UMS) Winter 2017 Course Development Grant. Students registered in this course will be attending 2 UMS performances as part of their course work.