This course discusses Muslim societies’ encounters with modern transformations of the individual and society. Topics discussed include government, women and the family, sexuality, cultural values, among others.

Readings:
1) Ahmad Atif Ahmad, Islam, Modernity, Violence, and Everyday Life (Palgrave, NY, 2009)
3) Sukru Hanioglu, A Brief History of the Late Ottoman Empire (Princeton University Press, 2008).
5) M.K. Masud and others (eds.) Islamic Legal Interpretations (Harvard University Press, 1996)
6) Edward Said, Culture and Imperialism (Knopf, NY, 1993)

Only Items 3 and 6 are available in the bookstore. The selections from other books will be made available on the department’s website www.religion.ucsb.edu

Without attending the lecture, you are sure to be lost. Missing the lecture is a very, very bad idea.

Grading (see section leaders for deadlines and other details)
- 20% 1 short test—(in sections)
- 20% group and section discussions –both the quantity and quality of the participation will be taken into account (missing section is a very, very bad idea)
- 20% section presentation (arrange with section leader)
- 40% 1 writing assignment (800 words)

3/28 Introduction
3/30 Ottomans I: Hanioglu 1-18
4/4 Ottomans II: Hanioglu 18-31
4/6 Enter Modernity: Hanioglu 32-54
4/11 Reform: Hanioglu 55-71
4/13 Tanzimat I: Hanioglu 72-88
4/18 Tanzimat II: Hanioglu 89-102
4/20 Tanzimat III: Hanioglu 109-129
4/25 Abdul-Hamid II: Hanioglu 129-149
4/27 Revolution to Collapse: Hanioglu 149-177
5/2 Great War and After: Hanioglu 177-211
5/4 Jurists and Modernity: Ahmad 43-81; Masud 214-220
5/9 Custom and Law: Ahmad 83-115
5/16 Empire in Literature II: Said 282-303
5/18 Empire in Literature III: Said 303-325
5/23 Desert Storm: Masud 297-309
5/25 Banking: Masud 286-296
5/30 Constitutional Courts: Mallat 229-260
6/1 Good Bye, State: Dostal 278-309