



Exchange programme Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam

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Exchange

Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam offers many English-taught courses in a variety of subjects, ranging from arts & culture and social sciences, neurosciences and computer science, to economics and business administration.

The International Office is responsible for course approval and course registration for exchange students. For details about course registration, requirements, credits, semesters and so on, please [visit the exchange programmes webpages](#).

The Maghreb in Global History

Course Code	L_GABAGES227
Credits	6
Period	P4
Course Level	200
Language Of Tuition	English
Faculty	Faculty of Humanities
Course Coordinator	dr. N.F.F. Karrouche
Examiner	dr. N.F.F. Karrouche
Teaching Staff	dr. N.F.F. Karrouche
Teaching method(s)	Seminar, Lecture

Course Objective

At the end of the course students can:

1. Understand key political, social and cultural debates and analytical concepts in the history and anthropology of the Maghreb.
2. Interpret and assess a selection of (translated) primary sources (e.g. archival sources, ethnographies, oral traditions and oral histories, documentary films) relevant to the course topics.
3. Reflect on key (sensitive) scholarly debates regarding migration, gender, colonialism, nationalism, and religion in the Maghreb and take up an informed position on them.

Course Content

This course introduces students to key debates in the history and anthropology of the Maghreb (with emphasis on Morocco, Algeria and Tunisia), while continuously connecting the region to world history at large. The course reflects on the history of both disciplines in the region and offers critical insights into the construction of historical and ethnographic knowledge. It provides insight into political, social, and cultural issues that have caught the attention of historians and anthropologists, such as Islam and religious minorities, gender, colonialism and the colonial legacy, nationalism, language and ethnicity, migration and development, and revolts and revolutions.

Additional Information Teaching Methods

Lectures and seminars, 4 contact hours in total per week. Students should come to class prepared to actively discuss the readings.

Method of Assessment

- Class participation
- Written exam

Entry Requirements

Students must have successfully completed all their BA 1 courses.

Literature

A reading list of mandatory articles will be distributed at the beginning of the course.

Recommended reading: P.C. Naylor, North Africa : a history from antiquity to the present (University of Texas Press 2015, Revised edition)

Additional Information Target Audience

This course is an elective for BA 2 students Geschiedenis and BA2 students History and International Studies. The course is also open to BA2/3 students in Cultural Anthropology and Development Sociology, Political Science, and Theology and Religious Studies. Exchange students should have a background in any of these fields.

Custom Course Registration

Students from other disciplines should contact the course coordinator first.

Explanation Canvas

Teaching materials, including handouts and powerpoints, will be made available online on Canvas after each lecture and seminar. The literature used is available from the university library in digital format.

Recommended background knowledge

Students must have successfully completed all their BA 1 courses.