

# Collier Library - Pathfinder

## HISTORY OF THE MIDDLE EAST

**SCOPE:** The purpose of this pathfinder is to introduce some of the resources available in Collier Library in the field of **HISTORY OF THE MIDDLE EAST**. Please note that this guide is not a comprehensive listing of sources, but is intended to be a starting point from which students can begin their research according to their specific needs.

The Library of Congress Subclass that includes the History of the Middle East is **DS**. BROWSING the following CALL NUMBERS may produce helpful titles:

DS 35.3 – 35.77	The Islamic World	DS 101 – 151	Israel (Palestine)
DS 36 – 39.2	Arab Countries	DS 153 – 154.9	Jordan
DS 41 – 66	Middle East. Arab East. Near East	DS 155 – 156	Asia Minor
DS 67 – 79.9	Iraq (Assyria, Babylonia, Mesopotamia)	DS 201 – 248	Arabian Peninsula
DS 80 – 90	Lebanon (Phenicia)	DS 251 – 326	Iran (Persia)
DS 92 – 99	Syria	DS 350 – 375	Afghanistan

For a more complete listing see <http://www.loc.gov/catdir/cpsol/lcco/lcco.html>

In the event you do not find what you are looking for by browsing consult [UNACAT](#), the online catalog. The following are selected SUBJECT HEADINGS, which appear in [UNACAT](#).

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(See also names of individual countries)

e.g., [TURKEY](#), [IRAQ](#), [SAUDI ARABIA](#)

Other Subject headings can be identified by using **Library of Congress Subject Headings**, located on the dictionary stand in the Reference Area.

### **BEGINNING RESEARCH – SELECTED SOURCES**

#### *Introduction and overview material*

- § **A History of the Middle East [DS 62.4 .M36 1991]** by Peter Mansfield.
- § **A History of the Modern Middle East [DS 62.4 .C53 2004]** by William L. Cleveland.

#### *Literature guides and bibliographies*

- § **Islamic History: A Framework for Inquiry [Z 3014 .H55 H85 1991]** by Stephen R. Humphreys
- § **The Middle East in Conflict: A Historical Bibliography [Ref DS 62.4 .M53 1985]**
- § **Sources of Information for Historical Research [Ref Z 6201 .S64 1994]** by Thomas P. Slaven

#### *Encyclopedias and Dictionaries*

- § **Cambridge Encyclopedia of the Middle East and North Africa [Ref DS 44 .C37 1988]**
- § **Dictionary of the Ancient Near East [Ref DS 56 .D5 2000]**
- § **Dictionary of the Middle East [Ref DS 43 .H57 1996]** by Dilip Hiro
- § **Encyclopedia of the Modern Middle East and North Africa [Ref DS 43 .E53 2004]**
- § **Political Encyclopedia of the Middle East [Ref DS 62.8 .P64 1999]**

#### *Other Relevant Sources*

- § **The Ancient Near East, c. 3000-330 B.C. [DS 62.23 .K871995]** by Amelie Kuhrt
- § **The Arabs: Myth and Reality [DS 39 .B88 1997]** by Gerald Butt
- § **Atlas of the Arab World [Ref DS 36.7 .D45 1983]** by Michael W. Dempsey
- § **Atlas of the Middle East [Ref G 2205 .K33 1988]** by Moshe Brawer
- § **The Cambridge Atlas of the Middle East and North Africa [Ref DS 44 .C36 1987]**

- § [Concise History of the Middle East](#) c2002 [Electronic Book – a link is provided in UNACAT to the online full text of this work] by Arthur Goldschmidt
- § **The Europa World Year Book** [Ref JN 1 .E85] (annual)
- § **Hammond Atlas of the Middle East** [Ref G 2205 .H3 1998]
- § **A History of the Arab Peoples** [DS 37.7 .H67 1991] by Albert Habib Hourani
- § **Islam: A Short History** [BP 50 .A69 2000] by Karen Armstrong
- § **The Muslim Almanac: A Reference Work on the History, Faith, Culture, and Peoples of Islam** [Ref BP 40 .M83 1996]
- § [The Pre-Islamic Middle East](#) c2000 [Electronic Book -a link is provided in UNACAT to the online full text of this work] by Martin Sicker
- § **The Statesman's Yearbook** [Ref JA 51 .S7] (annual)

*Biographical Sources*

- § **Biography Resource Center** (Online database)
- § **Current Biography Yearbook** [Ref CT 100 .C8 1940-] (annual)
- § **Encyclopedia of World Biography** [Ref CT 103 .E56 1998]
- § **The International Who's Who** [Ref CT 120 .I44] (annual)(older editions in stacks)

**SUGGESTED DATABASES For Locating Articles on the HISTORY OF THE MIDDLE EAST**

[Academic Search Premier](#)  
[Cambridge Histories Online](#)  
[Historical Abstracts](#)  
[INFOTRAC Onefile](#)  
[JSTOR](#)  
[Project Muse](#)

A few frequently used PERIODICALS on HISTORY OF THE MIDDLE EAST are:

<b>Arab Studies Quarterly</b>	<b>Middle East</b>
<b>International Journal of Middle East Studies</b>	<b>Middle East Journal</b>
<b>Journal of Arabic &amp; Islamic Studies</b>	<b>Middle East Quarterly</b>
<b>Journal of Middle East Women's Studies</b>	

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INTERLIBRARY LOAN - it is possible to borrow books or obtain copies of articles from other libraries if the material is unavailable locally. Inquire at the Reference Desk or consult the library's web site for policy information and request forms at: <http://www.una.edu/library/about/departments/ill/>

SUGGESTED WEBSITES

**Center for Middle Eastern Studies** <http://link.lanic.utexas.edu/menic>

**Harvard University Center for Middle Eastern Studies**  
<http://www.fas.harvard.edu/~mideast/inMEres/inMEres.html>

**History in the News – The Middle East** <http://www.albany.edu/history/middle-east/>

**MENIC – Middle East Network Information Center** <http://link.lanic.utexas.edu/menic/>

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