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Spring 2023

New History Electives

HIST 300US-0002
Modern Middle East: Ottoman Society Before World War I

HIST 300US-0003
The Contemporary Middle East: From World War I to the Arab Uprisings

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SAVE YOUR SEAT NOW AND ENROLL TODAY!

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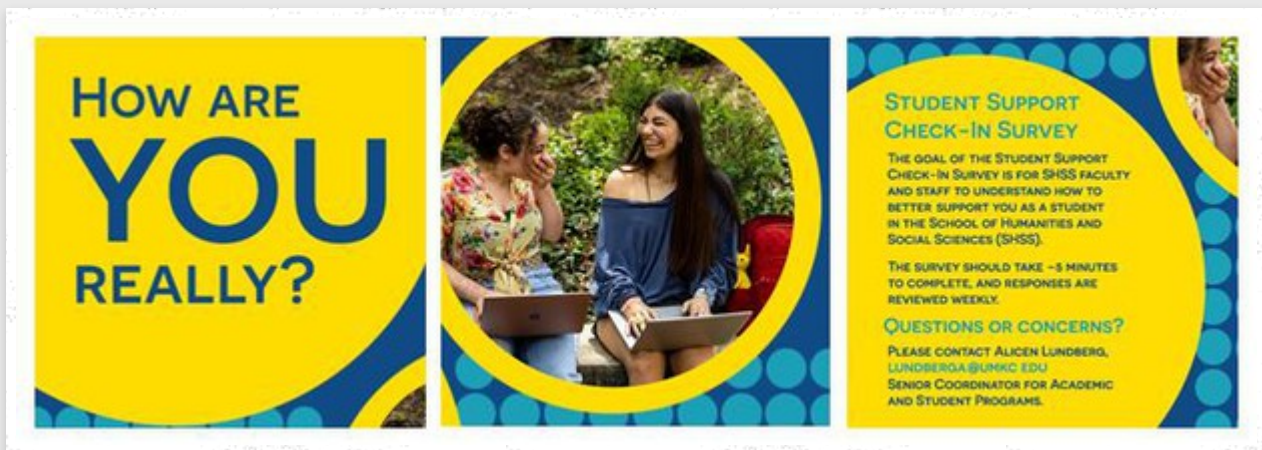
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FROM THE DEPARTMENT CHAIR

Has this semester gone as quickly for you as it has for me? I can hardly believe December is upon us, final exams are fast approaching, and the year is coming to an end. We have been so busy in the history department! I am pleased to announce that we will be adding two new courses to the schedule, both focusing on the history of the Middle East. The courses will be offered in successive eight-week sessions during the spring 2023 semester. You can read more about them in this newsletter and about many more excellent history courses (in-person and online) taught by UMKC's award-winning teachers and historians. Congratulations to all for their work throughout the fall 2022 semester, and I look forward to updating you early next year about all that's happening (and going to be happening) in the UMKC history department.



UPDATES AND REMINDERS



HOW ARE YOU REALLY?

STUDENT SUPPORT CHECK-IN SURVEY

THE GOAL OF THE STUDENT SUPPORT CHECK-IN SURVEY IS FOR SHSS FACULTY AND STAFF TO UNDERSTAND HOW TO BETTER SUPPORT YOU AS A STUDENT IN THE SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES (SHSS).

THE SURVEY SHOULD TAKE ~5 MINUTES TO COMPLETE, AND RESPONSES ARE REVIEWED WEEKLY.

QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS?

PLEASE CONTACT ALICEN LUNDBERG, LUNDBERGA@UMKC.EDU
SENIOR COORDINATOR FOR ACADEMIC AND STUDENT PROGRAMS.

The School of Humanities and Social Sciences is committed to supporting students during their time at UMKC. Let us know how we can **best support you in having an exceptional experience** at UMKC by completing this short 5-minute survey. [Student Support Check-In](#)

**SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES WEBSITE
REDESIGN**

The School of Graduate Studies (SGS) has launched their redesigned [website](#). Graduate students are strongly encouraged to familiarize themselves with the new website. Please direct any questions, comments, or concerns to umkcsgs@umkc.edu.

STUDENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPRING 2023 OPEN ENROLLMENT

Open registration for Spring 2023 has begun be sure to enroll early to save your set!

See below for a listing of electives offered by the Department of History for the spring semester. Specifically, to the two new course offerings on the Ottoman Empire!



Spring 2023 Electives.pdf
History Course Electives

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Modern Middle East: Ottoman Society Before World War I

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3.3 MB



HIST 300HW-0003.pdf
The Contemporary Middle East: From World War I to the Arab Uprisings

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FACULTY ANNOUNCEMENTS

FS22 GRADES

Grades for Fall 2022 are due by 5:00pm on Tuesday, December 20, 2022.

UPCOMING EVENTS

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY CAREER DEVELOPMENT EVENT



LINDA HALL LIBRARY
SCIENCE • ENGINEERING • TECHNOLOGY

WHEN: THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2022 AT 4:00PM

WHERE: LINDA HALL LIBRARY

Linda Hall Library is a private science research library located in the heart of the UMKC campus at 5109 Cherry Street. Kaylee Peile, a UMKC History alumna, and a few of her coworkers with advanced degrees in History, will talk with us about their positions, what they do, and how they came to work at Linda Hall.

UPCOMING CONFERENCES

65TH ANNUAL MISSOURI CONFERENCE ON HISTORY – PROPOSAL DEADLINE EXTENDED

The sixty-fifth annual Missouri Conference on History, hosted by the Missouri State University's College of Humanities and Public Affairs and History Department and sponsored by the State Historical Society of Missouri, will be held March 15-17, 2023, at the Doubletree by Hilton Hotel in Springfield, Missouri.

Paper and panel proposals in all fields of history, including public history, and historic preservation, are invited. The conference is particularly interested in proposals for complete sessions, including panelists, chair, and commentator. **The deadline for all proposals has been extended to December 12, 2022.**

[Submit a Proposal](#)

The Missouri Conference on History offers two annual awards for papers presented at the conference by current students: the Petra DeWitt Student Paper Prize, a \$250 award, and the

Lynn and Kristen Morrow Missouri History Student Prize, an award of \$150. [Click here to learn more.](#)

CALL FOR PAPERS

The third virtual conference of the [Society for Military History \(SMH\)](#), Great Plains Region, will be held on Saturday, March 18, 2023.

Currently, SHM is seeking proposals for all types of military history papers. Individual proposals are welcome and session proposals are encouraged. For individuals, send a c.v. and short one-page proposal. For sessions, send one-page session proposal, short one-page proposal for each paper, and short c.v.'s for all participants. **Deadline for proposals is January 13, 2023. Send proposals, c.v.'s and inquiries to George Eaton at smhatmvhc@gmail.com.**

Both graduate and undergraduate students are encouraged to present as well as faculty and independent historian. While not firmly decided, we anticipate a prize for the best graduate student paper. The best undergraduate paper will be recognized.

2023 CALL FOR PROPOSALS

The 94th Annual Conference of the Kansas Association of Historians (KAH) will be held Friday, March 31, 2023, to Saturday, April 1, 2023, at the Johnson County Community College located in Overland Park, Kansas. The conference will run from 12:00pm to 8:00pm Friday and 8:00am to 1:30pm Saturday.

Currently, KAH is seeking proposals from students, faculty, public historians, and non-professionals for panels, workshops, performances, round tables, discussion groups, etc. **Deadline for proposal submissions is Monday, January 16, 2023.**

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH FUNDING AT UMKC

Students Engaged in the Arts and Research (SEARCH) and Summer Undergraduate Research Opportunity (SUROP) grants are available for student-led, faculty-mentored research, scholarly, and creative projects.

- SEARCH provides up to \$1,250.00 in reimbursable research expenses undertaken during the academic year. **Deadline for application submissions has passed for the 2022-2023 academic year. Please reach out to [Undergraduate Research and Creative Scholarship](#) for information regarding the 2023-2024 application deadlines.**

- SUROP provides students with a \$2,000.00 tuition grant and up to \$1,250.00 in reimbursable research expenses for projects undertaken during the summer. **Deadline for application submissions is by 5:00pm on March 3, 2023.**

For more information and links to the applications, visit the Undergraduate Research and Creative Scholarship webpage [here](#).

GRADUATE RESEARCH FUNDING AT UMKC

The School of Graduate Studies (SGS) provides several grants to fund research projects and travel to present research.

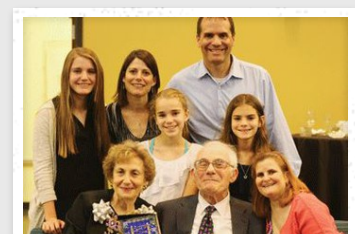
- **UMKC Women's Council Graduate Assistance Fund (GAF)** - Awards are meant to enable currently enrolled female graduate students to complete the requirements for graduate degrees, to facilitate their students and to enrich their educational experiences. Funding requests can total up to \$2,000.00, and additional monetary awards are occasionally granted to applicants with projects of exceptional merit.
- **Martha Jane Starr Library Research Award** - Offered by UMKC University Libraries, this award is open to all students, but preference is given to a graduate student with a women and gender studies (WGS) focus and who is mentored or supervised by a member of the WGS faculty. Deadline for awards is every fall semester and funding can total up to \$1,000.00. Visit [UMKC Library News and Events](#) in the fall for details about the award deadline, criteria, and application process.
- **Travel Grants** - Offered to help defray travel costs for purpose of presenting original research papers at reputable professional meetings or equivalent activities in the creative arts. Maximum funding available is \$400.00. Only one request per student will be considered per fiscal year (July 1 through June 30). Apply [here](#).
- **Research Grants** - Research Fellowship grants are offered per academic year by SGS with a maximum funding of \$7,500.00. Awards may be received only once by any individual candidate. For more information regarding research grants see their [website](#).

The School of Graduate Studies (SGS) also offers several fellowships to help students afford their advance degrees at UMKC. To apply for any of these fellowships, candidates must complete the application, submit their transcripts, and include one or more letters of recommendation and any other material required by the specific fellowship application. For a list of Graduate Fellowships view the webpage [here](#).

EMERITA FACULTY SPOTLIGHT

CARLA LEVINE KLAUSNER

Beloved professor, Dr. Carla Klausner, earned her doctorate from Harvard University in Middle Eastern studies in 1963, the same year that Harvard granted the doctorate to women. She began her teaching career at the University of Missouri-Kansas City with a



part-time appointment in 1964 and received a tenure track position in 1966. For the first few decades, she was the only full-time female faculty member of the Department of History and one of a handful of female faculty members within the college.

During her tenure, Klausner taught a variety of courses in Medieval European, Islamic, Ottoman, Middle East, Jewish, and Holocaust history. She was instrumental in establishing the Cluster Course program through a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. The first cluster course offering, "Courts and Culture in the High Middle Ages" was co-taught between Klausner and emerita professor Linda Voigts. Klausner served in several positions within the Department of History including as the Master of Arts in History degree advisor, Interdisciplinary Doctorate of Philosophy degree coordinator, and served as the president of the UMKC chapter of Phi Kappa Phi.

Klausner has received several teaching awards: the Shelby Storck Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching, the Interfraternity Council Good Teaching Award, the UMKC Interdisciplinary Doctorate of Philosophy Faculty Award from the Doctoral Student Association, was a Mortarboard Honoree, and in 2004, was named Curators Distinguished Teaching Professor. Her expertise on the Middle East led to countless lectures and speaking engagements throughout the Greater Kansas City Metropolitan Area and she taught in the Danciger Judaic Studies Program.

Klausner co-wrote *From Destruction to Rebirth: The Holocaust and the State of Israel* (1978) with Joseph P. Schultz and *A History of the Arab-Israel Conflict* (1986) with Ian J. Bickerton.

Though a member of the Emerita Faculty, Klausner can still be seen teaching and sharing her love of history with students.

IN MEMORIAM

GAIL R. GREEN (1951-2022)

Gail Ruth Green of Independence, MO, who served as the Administrative Assistant for the Department of History for a number of years before retiring, passed away on September 28, 2022.

LAWRENCE "LARRY" A. YATES (1945-2022)

Lawrence A. Yates of Overland Park, KS, former history student at UMKC and Department of History adjunct, passed away on October 12, 2022.

UMKC CALENDAR OF IMPORTANT DATES

December 8 - School of Humanities and Social Sciences Reading Day

December 9 - Last day of classes for Fall 2022

December 12 to December 16 - Finals Week

January 11 - Open Enrollment for Summer 2023

January 17 - Spring 2023 Semester Begins

January 23 - Last day to register without paying a late registration fee

May 5 - Last day of classes for Spring 2023

May 8 to May 12 - Finals Week

May 15 - Summer Intersession Begins

May 23 - First 5-Week Summer Session Begins

June 5 - 8-Week Summer Session Begins

June 26 - Second 5-Week Summer Session Begins



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