

# ASIA 462/JWST 462/PWAD 462

## THE ARAB-JEWS: CULTURE, COMMUNITY, AND COEXISTENCE

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**(REMOTE ONLY, SYNCHRONOUS)**



The Israeli (Zionist)-Arab conflict, which has lasted for over 100 years, has instilled in the minds of many the notion of the incompatibility of the terms "Arabs" and "Jews." The presence of Jews in Arab lands and the often peaceful co-existence between the Jews and their neighbors render "Arab-Jews" not an oxymoron, but a historical reality. This course is designed to examine Jewish life in Arab lands in the last century by examining culture, language, and the communal life the Arab-Jews shared with their neighbors of other faiths. Class materials include scholarly texts, literary works, films, and music related to the theme of Arab-Jews. **No knowledge of Hebrew or Arabic required!**

**Meets the following requirements: BN, GL, FC-GLOBAL or FC-POWER.**