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LIBRARY IMPACT STATEMENT

LIBRARIANS' ASSESSMENT

Course: PSC 322 : Politics of the Middle East
Department, College: Department of Political Science in the College of Arts and Sciences

Faculty Members: Asst. Prof. Katrin Jomaa

Date returned to Faculty: 30 September 2015

Librarian Completing Assessment: m. vocino

PSC 322: Politics of the Middle East is an upper level research course. The main subject areas to be covered by the course are Middle East politics and history with "critical assessment of current events in the region." All of the subject areas and specific topics dealing with the Middle East are areas of strength for the University Library and the Library is committed to maintaining that level of support especially in light of the fact that the course will require heavy library use during the research phase that requires reaction papers and a research paper.

We are able to add whatever appropriate monographic needs may arise for the instructor and students of this course, but we cannot add any new journal titles except through a drop/add policy that requires the department to identify a journal title (of equal value) that it would like to drop from its serials list to permit the addition of another. Our monographic holdings for the politics of the Middle East are excellent and will meet the requirements of this course as stated by the instructor. The critical journals and electronic resources in the field are also held by the University Libraries as noted by the instructor.

All that said, we will be able to support this course bibliographically. My suggestion is that if bibliographic instruction is required for this course, the instructor for the course should contact our information literacy specialists through the Information and Research Help Desk at 874-2653.

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