

## Evaluation report Spring 2021

# Middle East Studies

**Study Programme:** Middle East Studies

**Level:** MA

**Study Board:** History, Classical Studies and Middle East Studies

**Evaluation strategy for the education:** Preliminary, oral evaluations are conducted on the individual lecturer's initiative halfway through the course. Final evaluations are carried out electronically at the end of the semester.

**What specific courses does this summary include:** Culture and Religion in the Middle East, Politics and International Politics in the Middle East, Elective Course (The Arab Gulf States: Contemporary challenges and possible solutions)

**Positive examples for inspiration:**

The students are overall satisfied with zoom teaching and different uses of breakout rooms just as they are satisfied with how easy it has been to get hold of their lecturers. During the semester, students and lecturers have met in a park in central Odense to have the opportunity to discuss both course work and social aspects of student life. Four walks were scheduled, one was cancelled due to lack of interest.

**Conditions that call for further follow-up:** To an increasing extent, the students are finding it difficult to stay motivated during lockdown and semi-lockdown. We hope physical attendance on campus in Odense will be possible in the autumn.

**Future initiatives based on the evaluations:** Adjustments to the curriculum.

**Initiatives since the last evaluation:** Initiation of adjustments to the curriculum with special focus on the problematic third semester.