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Dr. Edward E.Wallen, Dean of the College
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Dear Sir,

I understand that you are seeking a faculty member to teach courses in Political Science - International Relations - Political Philosophy and Comparative Politics.

I think, I can fulfill your requirements for this position.
Please find my Curriculum Vitae enclosed.

I have asked the following professors to write to you letters of recommendation about me:

- Prof.Dr. Gündüz Ökçün, Dean of the Faculty of Political Sciences, Ankara Univ.
- Prof. Seha Meray, from the same Faculty.
- Prof.Dr. Ioanna Kuçuradi, Head of Philosophy Dept., Hacettepe Univ., Ankara.

Yours truly,

Mete Tunçay

TÜRKİYE SOSYAL TARİH ARAŞTIRMA VAKFI

Hassan El Glaoui
Untitled, 1971



The Program

The Center for Middle Eastern Studies at The University of Texas at Austin was established in 1960 to initiate and coordinate a program of excellence in language and area studies within the framework of academic departments. Currently, more than sixty courses on the Middle East are offered by a faculty of twenty-eight specialists in thirteen departments in the social sciences, humanities and fine arts. The three major goals of the Center for Middle Eastern Studies are to produce well-trained, responsible undergraduate and graduate students capable of making significant contributions to academics, business, and state and national service; to provide a secure and attractive environment in which superior scholars can pursue their research and teaching; and to facilitate international communication and understanding between the people of the United States and the societies of the Middle East through conferences, publications series, public lectures, and cultural events.

The central focus of the Center's interdisciplinary program is on contemporary social, economic, and political conditions in the modern Middle East. Upper-division and graduate courses are available in Middle Eastern languages, the arts, and social sciences to provide fundamental training in Arabic, Hebrew, Persian, and Turkish cultures and civilizations. In addition, the Center conducts programs of field research and training to provide faculty and advanced students opportunities for study in the various countries of the Middle East. As a meeting ground for outstanding scholars, a coordinator of quality graduate and undergraduate programs, and a confluence of cultural activities related to this increasingly important world area, the Center for Middle Eastern Studies is a dynamic component of language and area studies at The University of Texas at Austin.

Abû Zayd Preaching in the Mosque of Samarkand
14th century



Degrees

Undergraduate

The University offers an interdisciplinary Bachelor of Arts degree in Middle Eastern Studies, incorporating a two-semester introduction to religious, cultural, and political forces in the historical and contemporary Middle East; 18 hours of upper-division core courses in the social sciences, humanities, and fine arts; and fulfillment of the foreign language requirement with a Middle Eastern language.

Graduate

Specialists in anthropology, art, geography, government, history, linguistics, literature, philosophy, and Middle Eastern languages regularly offer graduate courses and supervise independent study on the Middle East. Although there is presently no graduate degree in Middle Eastern Studies at The University of Texas at Austin, graduate students may pursue degrees in academic departments and concentrate on the Middle Eastern aspects of their particular disciplines.