

## Call for Abstracts

The Center for Islamic & Middle Eastern Studies at California State University, San Bernardino & Arab Studies Quarterly

### A Joint Conference on U.S. Hegemony & the Arab World

April 20-21, 2018

**Deadline for Abstracts: September 29, 2017**

The Arab World is undergoing great economic, environmental and educational strides in some areas, while experiencing challenges in others. The role of the U.S. as the major player in the region requires constant and careful scrutiny. This conference aims to critically evaluate the impact of U.S. policy decisions, political and economic alliances, military interventions as well as reactions and popular resistance against the U.S. hegemony in the region from a socio-political and historical perspective.

We welcome abstract submissions that critically engage with U.S. involvement in the Arab World and MENA region relating to the following themes:

- U.S. involvement in the MENA region (including Turkey, Iran, etc.)
- Militarization and arms sales
- The impact of various coalitions, political alliances, and NGOs in the region
- U.S. role in the settler colonization of Palestine
- U.S. Policy on Syria after Iraq
- Immigration and refugees
- Defiance and popular resistance in the Arab World

Keynote Speakers:

Dr. Karma Nabulsi, University of Oxford

Dr. Hatem Bazian, University of California, Berkeley

Please submit your 250-word abstract and a short bio via email to Prof. Ahlam Muhtaseb at [amuhtase@csusb.edu](mailto:amuhtase@csusb.edu) by September 29, 2017. Notifications of acceptance will be sent by November 15, 2017. **A selection of presented papers will be published in a special 40th anniversary double issue of *Arab Studies Quarterly*.**

Registration begins October 2017. Visit [this website](#) for updated information.