

Middle East Scholar Barometer

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Survey Methodology

This survey was carried out February 19, 2026 to March 11, 2026, online using the University of Maryland's Qualtrics platform. The poll was distributed to 3,578 recipients resulting in 641 responses. Recipients included those who are members of the Middle East and North Africa section of the American Political Science Association (APSA), the Middle East Studies Association (MESA), as well as members of the American Historical Association (AHA) who specialized in the Middle East, and other relevant contacts of the Project on Middle East Political Science (POMEPS) at George Washington University. The poll was conducted using an anonymous link sent out via email, which did not collect any identifiable information about the respondents. The poll was designed using the University of Maryland's Qualtrics platform, which generated the anonymous link that was sent out, and the data from the responses were also collected on this platform. The questions, some of which were repeat questions from previous polls, were prepared by the two principal investigators in consultation with the academic advisory committee of the Middle East Scholar Barometer.

Note: Percentages may not always add to one hundred due to rounding.

Dear Colleague,

We would like to invite you to take this scholars' survey on Middle East politics (Middle East Scholar Barometer). In this survey, the ninth since February 2021, we repeat some of the same questions from previous rounds so we can track shifts over time, as well as ask some new, timely questions, especially about the climate on university campuses. Please note that your answers will remain confidential, and you will remain anonymous. We will share the final aggregate results with you. If at any time you find that you do not want to answer a question, feel free to skip it and move on to the next one. We value all feedback on this project and found these to be helpful in updating our surveys. Thank you in advance!

Best,

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Questions:

This research is being led by Dr. Shibley Telhami at the University of Maryland, College Park, and Dr. Marc Lynch at George Washington University, with the assistance of an advisory committee of six other professors of political science specializing on the Middle East region. We are inviting you to participate in this research project because you are a scholar focusing on the Middle East and North Africa. The purpose of this research project is to gauge expert opinions on Middle East politics.

Below you will find a series of questions related to Middle East scholarship, followed by demographic questions. As this survey is being conducted using an anonymous link, no identifiable information about you will be collected. The survey questions have been reviewed by the University of Maryland Institutional Review Board at irb@umd.edu. Should you need to reach us for any reason regarding this survey, please contact us at sadatprogram@umd.edu.

Your participation in this research is completely voluntary. You may choose not to take part at all. If you decide to participate in this research, you may stop participating at any time. By consenting below, you indicate that you are at least 18 years of age.

I acknowledge that I have read the information about the survey above and I give my consent to participate: [PN: FORCE RESPONSE]

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	Total
1. I consent	100%
2. I do not consent (if you selected this option, please exit the survey now)	0%

Q1. Do you feel the need to self-censor when speaking about the Palestinian-Israeli issue in an academic or professional capacity? [PN: RANDOMIZE]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Yes	73%	77%	65%
No	27%	23%	35%

[PN: ASK Q1A. ONLY IF Q1=1 “Yes”] Q1A. On which issue do you most feel the need to self-censor: [PN: RANDOMIZE]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Criticism of Palestinians	11%	11%	11%
Criticism of Israel	81%	81%	81%
Criticism of U.S. policy	5%	6%	1%
Other	4%	3%	7%

Q2. Do you feel the need to self-censor when speaking about U.S. policy towards Iran in an academic or professional capacity? [PN: RANDOMIZE]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Yes	21%	25%	12%
No	79%	75%	88%

Q3. What are the primary reasons for limiting your speech about the Palestinian-Israeli issue in an academic or professional capacity? (Select all that apply) [PN: RANDOMIZE]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Government legal restrictions on permissible speech	32%	37%	23%

Concerns about discipline from academic administrators at your institution	34%	38%	25%
Concerns about affecting institutional fundraising	14%	14%	14%
Concerns about the campus culture or offending students	43%	46%	34%
Concerns about pressure from external advocacy groups	55%	58%	48%
I do not feel a need to limit my speech	25%	20%	34%

Q4. Have you experienced any greater direct or indirect need to self-censor since the start of the war in Israel and Gaza on October 7, 2023? [PN: RANDOMIZE]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Yes	74%	79%	63%
No	26%	21%	37%

Q5. Independently of the overall campus climate, do you feel that students have been more likely to self-censor in the classroom on issues related to Israel-Palestine since October 7, 2023? [PN: REVERSE SCALE 1-3]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Yes, for the better	2%	2%	1%
Yes, for the worse	42%	49%	28%
No change	19%	15%	27%
I don't know [PN: FIXED]	23%	22%	23%
I am not at a teaching institution [PN: FIXED]	14%	12%	21%

Q6. To your knowledge, how has enrollment in courses about the Middle East at your institution been impacted since fall 2023? [PN: REVERSE SCALE 1-3]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Gone up	20%	19%	23%
Gone down	11%	14%	3%
Are comparable	27%	26%	28%
I don't know [PN: FIXED]	29%	30%	26%
I am not at a teaching institution [PN: FIXED]	14%	11%	20%

Q7. One year into the Trump administration, do you feel any greater direct or indirect need to self-censor when discussing the Israeli-Palestinian issue? [PN: RANDOMIZE]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Yes	52%	59%	37%
No	48%	42%	63%

Q8. Have you *personally* experienced any of the following as a result of your teaching or public commentary related to the Israeli-Palestinian issue *prior* to October 7, 2023? (select all that apply) [PN: RANDOMIZE 1-9]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Disciplinary action by your institution	4%	4%	3%
Direct complaint to your institutional leadership by alumni	13%	16%	6%
Direct complaint to your institution by external advocacy group	23%	26%	14%
Hostile social media campaign against you	15%	15%	16%
Someone inappropriately recording your class and sharing the content	7%	7%	8%
Loss of research funding	5%	5%	3%
Rejection or cancelation of planned public event	16%	18%	13%
Imposed changes on your syllabus such as course readings or topics covered	4%	6%	1%
Disruption of a public event by activists	15%	16%	11%
None of the above [PN: FIXED]	58%	57%	60%

Q9. Have you *personally* experienced any of the following as a result of your teaching or public commentary related to the Israeli-Palestinian issue *after* October 7, 2023 (select all that apply) [PN: RANDOMIZE 1-9]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Disciplinary action by your institution	4%	4%	2%
Direct complaint to your institutional leadership by alumni	12%	15%	4%
Direct complaint to your institution by external advocacy group	15%	18%	8%
Hostile social media campaign against you	14%	14%	13%
Someone inappropriately recording your class and sharing the content	6%	6%	5%
Loss of research funding	4%	4%	2%
Rejection or cancelation of planned public event	14%	15%	11%

Imposed changes on your syllabus such as course readings or topics covered	4%	4%	2%
Disruption of a public event by activists	9%	11%	6%
None of the above [PN: FIXED]	66%	64%	70%

Q10. How would you compare the challenges you may have faced following October 7th with the other challenges imposed by political events in your academic career? **[PN: REVERSE SCALE 1-4]**

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
The worst	21%	25%	14%
Among the worst	42%	42%	42%
Not among the worst	18%	16%	22%
Not challenging at all	7%	6%	10%
I don't know [PN: FIXED]	12%	11%	13%

Q11. To your knowledge, has your institution faced any Title VI formal complaints since October 7 related to campus activism over Gaza or antisemitic/Islamophobic incidents? **[PN: RANDOMIZE]**

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Yes, and the investigation is ongoing	19%	26%	4%
Yes, and the cases have been settled	8%	10%	2%
No	28%	20%	47%
I don't know [PN: FIXED]	45%	44%	47%

Q12. To your knowledge, has your institution faced any demands for information or action from the following external or official actors related to allegations of antisemitism or anti-Israel bias? **[PN: RANDOMIZE 1-4]**

		Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Federal government	Yes, and it has been resolved	6%	6%	4%
	Yes, and it is ongoing	23%	29%	8%
	No	28%	21%	47%
	I don't know	44%	44%	42%
State/local government	Yes, and it has been resolved	2%	2%	2%
	Yes, and it is ongoing	9%	10%	7%
	No	38%	34%	48%

	I don't know	51%	54%	44%
Private lawsuit	Yes, and it has been resolved	4%	5%	2%
	Yes, and it is ongoing	9%	10%	7%
	No	29%	22%	44%
	I don't know	59%	63%	47%

Q13. Has your institution adopted the IHRA definition of antisemitism, in which some forms of criticism of Israel are considered antisemitic, in response to campus activism over Gaza or other issues related to the conflict? [PN: RANDOMIZE]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Yes	18%	18%	18%
No	50%	47%	56%
I don't know [PN: FIXED]	32%	35%	26%

Q14. How do you believe that the IHRA definition of antisemitism, in which some forms of criticism of Israel are considered antisemitic, would affect your research? [PN: RANDOMIZE 1-3]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Positively	1%	1%	1%
Negatively	63%	63%	63%
Not affected	29%	31%	26%
I don't know [PN: FIXED]	7%	6%	11%

Q15. Do you personally agree with the IHRA definition of antisemitism? [PN: RANDOMIZE 1-2]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Yes	6%	6%	7%
No	84%	85%	81%
I don't know [PN: FIXED]	10%	9%	13%

Q16A. Does your institution currently require students to complete online training about Islamophobia and/or antisemitism in order to register for classes? [PN: RANDOMIZE 1-2]

	Total	Inside the	Outside the

			United States	United States
Islamophobia	Yes	3%	4%	1%
	No	68%	64%	79%
	I don't know [PN: FIXED]	29%	32%	20%
Antisemitism	Yes	6%	7%	1%
	No	64%	59%	78%
	I don't know [PN: FIXED]	30%	34%	21%

Q16B. Do you believe that your institution should require students to complete an online training about Islamophobia and/or antisemitism in order to register for classes? [PN: REVERSE SCALE 1-3]

		Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Islamophobia	Yes	6%	7%	5%
	No, but they should complete a comprehensive online training about diversity, inclusion, and antiracism	31%	33%	29%
	No, there should be no training requirement	53%	52%	55%
	I don't know [PN: FIXED]	10%	9%	12%
Antisemitism	Yes	6%	6%	5%
	No, but they should complete a comprehensive online training about diversity, inclusion, and antiracism	32%	33%	29%
	No, there should be no training requirement	53%	52%	55%
	I don't know [PN: FIXED]	10%	9%	12%

Q17. How would you define Israel's military campaign in Gaza? [PN: REVERSE SCALE 1-5]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Genocide	54%	55%	52%
Major war crimes akin to genocide	32%	30%	36%
Major war crimes but not akin to genocide	8%	8%	7%
Unjustified actions but not major war crimes	3%	3%	1%
Justified actions under the right to self-defense	3%	3%	3%
I don't know [PN: FIXED]	1%	1%	1%

Q18. Do you think that the ceasefire in Gaza and Trump Board of Peace will succeed in the following? [PN: RANDOMIZE 1-2]

		Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Reducing violence against Palestinians	Yes	9%	8%	13%
	No	87%	89%	82%
	I don't know [PN: FIXED]	4%	3%	5%
Reducing violence against Israelis	Yes	25%	25%	27%
	No	58%	59%	54%
	I don't know [PN: FIXED]	17%	16%	20%
Establishing a safe, effective government in Gaza without Hamas	Yes	1%	1%	2%
	No	92%	92%	90%
	I don't know [PN: FIXED]	7%	7%	8%

Q19. Do you think that the ceasefire in Gaza and Trump Board of Peace will make the following more or less likely? [PN: RANDOMIZE 1-2]

		Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Israeli annexation of the West Bank	More likely	80%	80%	78%
	Less likely	4%	3%	5%
	No effect [PN: FIXED]	14%	15%	13%
	I don't know [PN: FIXED]	2%	2%	4%
A two-state solution	More likely	3%	3%	5%
	Less likely	74%	75%	72%
	No effect [PN: FIXED]	19%	18%	20%
	I don't know [PN: FIXED]	4%	4%	4%

Q20. How would you assess the prospect of the following outcomes in Israel/Palestine during the Trump administration? (On a scale of 1 to 4, where 1 is 'very likely and 4 is 'not at all') [PN: RANDOMIZE]

		Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Collapse of the Palestinian Authority	Very likely	21%	22%	17%
	Somewhat likely	53%	54%	51%
	Not very likely	19%	18%	22%
	Not at all	1%	1%	3%
	I don't know	6%	5%	7%

A broader and more violent Palestinian Intifada	Very likely	8%	8%	7%
	Somewhat likely	41%	43%	36%
	Not very likely	41%	40%	43%
	Not at all	2%	1%	4%
	I don't know	9%	8%	10%
Israeli expulsion of some/many Palestinians from Gaza	Very likely	58%	60%	54%
	Somewhat likely	30%	28%	35%
	Not very likely	8%	8%	9%
	Not at all	2%	2%	1%
	I don't know	2%	2%	1%
Israeli expulsion of some/many Palestinians from the West Bank and East Jerusalem	Very likely	57%	59%	53%
	Somewhat likely	31%	30%	35%
	Not very likely	8%	8%	7%
	Not at all	2%	2%	3%
	I don't know	1%	1%	1%
Israeli annexation of some/all of the West Bank	Very likely	61%	63%	56%
	Somewhat likely	29%	29%	29%
	Not very likely	7%	5%	11%
	Not at all	2%	2%	1%
	I don't know	2%	1%	3%
Israeli annexation of some/all of Gaza	Very likely	53%	55%	48%
	Somewhat likely	30%	27%	36%
	Not very likely	14%	14%	12%
	Not at all	2%	2%	3%
	I don't know	2%	1%	2%
Status quo continues with minor changes	Very likely	22%	21%	23%
	Somewhat likely	33%	34%	32%
	Not very likely	34%	33%	35%
	Not at all	9%	10%	7%
	I don't know	2%	2%	3%
The creation of a Palestinian state in the West Bank and Gaza	Very likely	1%	1%	0%
	Somewhat likely	1%	1%	2%
	Not very likely	31%	31%	33%
	Not at all	65%	66%	63%
	I don't know	1%	1%	2%

Q21. The stated aim of international diplomacy toward the Israeli-Palestinian conflict has been to achieve two states, the state of Israel next to a sovereign state of Palestine established within the

territories that Israel occupied in the 1967 war. Which of the following is closer to your view about the likelihood of this outcome? [PN: REVERSE SCALE 1-3]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
It's no longer possible	58%	59%	54%
It's possible and probable within the next ten years	2%	2%	3%
It's possible but improbable within the next ten years	38%	37%	41%
I don't know [PN: FIXED]	2%	1%	2%

Q22. What sort of governance do you think is most likely to emerge in Gaza over the next two years? [PN: RANDOMIZE 1-5]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Continuation of direct Hamas rule	3%	3%	3%
Indirect Hamas domination with a technocratic government	17%	16%	20%
Return of Palestinian Authority, no Hamas role in government	1%	1%	3%
Direct rule by Israel	23%	22%	25%
A combination of international, Arab, Palestinian, and Israeli control	48%	49%	45%
Other. Specify: [PN: FIXED]	8%	10%	5%

Q23. In your opinion, which of the following comes closest to describing the current reality in Israel, the West Bank, and Gaza? [PN: REVERSE SCALE 1-5]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
The state of Israel with temporary occupation of the West Bank and Gaza	2%	2%	1%
The state of Israel with semi-permanent occupation of the West Bank and Gaza	25%	24%	26%
Two unequal states	2%	1%	3%
A one-state reality with inequality, but not akin to apartheid	2%	1%	3%
A one-state reality akin to apartheid	68%	70%	64%
I don't know [PN: FIXED]	2%	1%	2%

Q24. If a two-state outcome is, or becomes, no longer possible, which of the following is most likely in Israel, the West Bank, and Gaza in the next 10 years? [PN: RANDOMIZE]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
A single state with equality between Israelis and Palestinians	0%	0%	1%
A one-state reality with increasing inequality but not akin to apartheid	9%	10%	9%
A one-state reality akin to apartheid	82%	83%	81%
A confederation	2%	2%	1%
I don't know [PN: FIXED]	6%	5%	9%

Q25. In your view, is it possible to have full democracy for all Israeli citizens while maintaining a military rule over Palestinians in the occupied territories? **[PN: RANDOMIZE 1-2]**

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Yes	11%	13%	7%
No	84%	84%	86%
I don't know [PN: FIXED]	5%	4%	7%

Q26. How did your position on supporting academic boycotts of Israel over allegations of genocide in Gaza change, if at all, after October 7, 2023? **[PN: REVERSE SCALE 1-3]**

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
I was already supporting academic boycotts of Israel and continued to do so	38%	40%	34%
I was not supporting academic boycotts of Israel before October 7 but changed my mind and supported them after that	21%	17%	30%
I opposed and continue to oppose academic boycotts of Israel	41%	43%	36%

Q27. After the ceasefire in Gaza, should academic boycotts of Israel end? **[PN: REVERSE SCALE 1-4]**

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
No	53%	55%	50%
Yes, conditional on the ceasefire holding	8%	6%	14%
Yes, without conditions	5%	4%	5%
I never supported academic boycotts of Israel	34%	36%	31%

Q28. What is your assessment about the likelihood of a U.S. war with Iran under President Trump’s new administration? Would you say the likelihood of war has: **[PN: REVERSE SCALE 1-5]**

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Substantially increased	75%	77%	68%
Somewhat increased	21%	18%	26%
Neither increased nor decreased	3%	3%	4%
Somewhat decreased	1%	1%	1%
Substantially decreased	0%	0%	0%
I don’t know [PN: FIXED]	1%	1%	1%

Q29. Do you think a U.S. military strike against Iran at the current moment is likely to achieve regime change? **[PN: REVERSE SCALE 1-5]**

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Yes, to a democratic and pro-U.S. regime	1%	1%	1%
Yes, to a different autocratic but pro-U.S. regime	9%	8%	12%
Yes, to a different autocratic but anti-U.S. regime	18%	18%	16%
Yes, to a failed state and long-term civil war	21%	21%	22%
No, the regime will survive in its current form	51%	52%	50%

Q30. Do you think a U.S. military strike against Iran at the current moment is likely to prevent Iran from acquiring nuclear weapons? **[PN: REVERSE SCALE 1-4]**

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Yes, for the long term	7%	6%	9%
Yes, for a relatively short period of time	39%	38%	40%
No, it will accelerate Iran’s acquisition of a nuclear weapon	21%	22%	19%
No, it will have no impact on Iran’s decisions about acquiring a nuclear weapon	22%	23%	20%
I don’t know [PN: FIXED]	11%	12%	11%

Q31. Would you support a U.S. military campaign against Iran at the current moment? **[PN: RANDOMIZE 1-2]**

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the
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			United States
Yes	5%	5%	5%
No	91%	92%	89%
I don't know [PN: FIXED]	4%	4%	6%

Q32. How do you assess the likelihood of a nuclear deal with Iran replacing the JCPOA under the Trump administration? **[PN: REVERSE SCALE 1-5]**

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Very likely	2%	1%	3%
Somewhat likely	17%	16%	19%
Neither likely nor unlikely	13%	13%	13%
Somewhat unlikely	26%	26%	25%
Very unlikely	35%	39%	27%
I don't know [PN: FIXED]	8%	6%	13%

Q33. How do you think Israel's actions against Iran and across the region have affected Iranian power? **[PN: REVERSE SCALE 1-5]**

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Major, long-term strategic defeat	22%	19%	28%
Major strategic setback but reversible	53%	54%	49%
Minor setback	14%	15%	11%
No significant effects	3%	3%	5%
More powerful now than before	4%	3%	5%
I don't know [PN: FIXED]	5%	6%	3%

Q34. How do you think Israel's military actions in Gaza and against Iran and across the region over the last year have affected the *policies* of Arab states such as Saudi Arabia? **[PN: REVERSE SCALE 1-3]**

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
More likely to align with Israel and the U.S.	18%	18%	18%
Less likely to align with Israel and the U.S.	46%	43%	52%
No impact on their likelihood to align with Israel and the U.S.	25%	27%	20%
I don't know [PN: FIXED]	11%	12%	9%

Q35. Should the Trump administration support the new post-Assad regime in Syria? [PN: REVERSE SCALE 1-3]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Yes	29%	33%	21%
Yes, but only under certain conditions	54%	50%	63%
No	8%	7%	11%
I don't know [PN: FIXED]	9%	11%	5%

Q36. What do you think is the most likely outcome for the new Syrian regime over the next few years? [PN: REVERSE SCALE 1-4]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Establishes a stable, democratic, unitary Syria	3%	3%	2%
Establishes a stable Islamist regime in a unitary Syria	17%	16%	17%
Establishes a stable autocratic but not particularly Islamist regime in a unitary Syria	51%	50%	52%
Partition of Syria into multiple entities	5%	5%	6%
State failure and civil war	10%	10%	8%
I don't know [PN: FIXED]	15%	15%	15%

Q37. Do you think Saudi Arabia will normalize relations with Israel during the Trump administration? [PN: REVERSE SCALE 1-3]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Yes, conditional on major, credible progress towards a Palestinian state	18%	17%	19%
Yes, without major, credible progress towards a Palestinian state	24%	25%	24%
No	47%	48%	46%
I don't know [PN: FIXED]	11%	11%	11%

Q38. What do you expect for U.S. power in the Middle East a decade from now? [PN: REVERSE SCALE 1-3]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
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Stronger than now	6%	5%	9%
About the same as now	23%	23%	25%
Weaker than now	70%	72%	65%

Q39. How likely is it that each of the following countries experiences regime-threatening instability within the next five years? (On a scale of 1 to 4, where 1 is ‘very likely’ and 4 is ‘very unlikely’) [PN: REVERSE SCALE 1-4]

		Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Egypt	Very likely	4%	3%	7%
	Somewhat likely	23%	21%	28%
	Somewhat unlikely	47%	49%	43%
	Very unlikely	20%	21%	18%
	I don't know [PN:FIXED]	5%	6%	4%
Jordan	Very likely	4%	4%	3%
	Somewhat likely	18%	17%	22%
	Somewhat unlikely	42%	42%	41%
	Very unlikely	30%	31%	28%
	I don't know [PN:FIXED]	6%	6%	6%
Saudi Arabia	Very likely	1%	1%	1%
	Somewhat likely	7%	6%	9%
	Somewhat unlikely	36%	35%	37%
	Very unlikely	54%	56%	49%
	I don't know [PN:FIXED]	3%	3%	4%
Türkiye	Very likely	2%	2%	2%
	Somewhat likely	14%	11%	23%
	Somewhat unlikely	46%	48%	41%
	Very unlikely	34%	36%	31%
	I don't know [PN:FIXED]	4%	4%	3%
Iran	Very likely	48%	44%	55%
	Somewhat likely	36%	38%	32%
	Somewhat unlikely	12%	12%	11%
	Very unlikely	2%	2%	1%
	I don't know [PN:FIXED]	2%	3%	1%
Syria	Very likely	23%	22%	26%
	Somewhat likely	51%	53%	47%
	Somewhat unlikely	19%	19%	20%
	Very unlikely	3%	3%	3%
	I don't know [PN:FIXED]	4%	4%	5%
Iraq	Very likely	9%	8%	14%
	Somewhat likely	36%	36%	35%
	Somewhat unlikely	40%	41%	38%

	Very unlikely	8%	9%	5%
	I don't know [PN: FIXED]	8%	7%	9%

Q40. In your opinion, how has social media like X and TikTok affected public opinion in your country toward Israel-Palestine? [PN: RANDOMIZE 1-3]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
More in favor of Israel	6%	4%	11%
More in favor of Palestine	64%	65%	62%
It has not affected opinion much	7%	7%	7%
I don't know [PN: FIXED]	23%	24%	20%

Q41. In your opinion, how has AI-generated propaganda/disinformation affected U.S. public opinion toward Israel-Palestine? [PN: RANDOMIZE 1-3]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
More in favor of Israel	25%	25%	26%
More in favor of Palestine	13%	12%	16%
It has not affected opinion much	12%	12%	13%
I don't know [PN: FIXED]	50%	52%	45%

Q42. Has the use of AI affected your teaching on issues related to the Middle East? [PN: REVERSE SCALE 1-3]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Yes, favorably	4%	4%	6%
Yes, unfavorably	25%	27%	20%
No	71%	69%	74%

Q43. Do you believe that AI translation has reduced the value of language skills and regional expertise? [PN: RANDOMIZE 1-2]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Yes, favorably	36%	35%	38%
No	51%	51%	49%
I don't know [PN: FIXED]	14%	14%	13%

Q44. Have you used AI tools for translation of sources in Middle Eastern languages? If so, how do you assess their reliability? [PN: REVERSE SCALE 1-3]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
I have used them and found them to be of reliable quality	21%	17%	28%
I have used them and found them to be of unreliable quality	19%	19%	20%
I have not used them	60%	64%	52%

Q45. How concerned are you about AI-generated scholarship including fake citations, inaccurate data, or other problems? [PN: REVERSE SCALE 1-5]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Very concerned	64%	64%	64%
Somewhat concerned	29%	29%	28%
Neither concerned nor unconcerned	3%	2%	3%
Not at all concerned	2%	2%	1%
I don't know [PN: FIXED]	2%	2%	3%

Q46. Do you think Middle East political science is ahead of, behind, or on pace with other subfields in adapting to AI? [PN: RANDOMIZE]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Ahead of other subfields	1%	2%	1%
Behind other subfields	36%	33%	43%
On pace with other subfields	62%	65%	56%

Q47. How do you personally use AI in your scholarship (select all that apply)? [PN: RANDOMIZE 1-6]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
For preliminary literature reviews	22%	19%	30%
For machine translation of foreign language texts	23%	20%	31%
For editing and organizational assistance	36%	31%	47%
For formatting citations	16%	15%	20%
For large-n data analysis	10%	8%	15%

For peer-reviewing manuscripts	3%	2%	4%
I do not use AI in my scholarship or teaching [PN: FIXED]	45%	51%	32%

Q48. What use of AI for scholarship do you feel is appropriate (select all that apply)? [PN: RANDOMIZE 1-6]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
For preliminary literature reviews	35%	33%	41%
For machine translation of foreign language texts	46%	41%	57%
For editing and organizational assistance	52%	47%	62%
For formatting citations	56%	54%	60%
For large-n data analysis	36%	35%	39%
For peer-reviewing manuscripts	4%	4%	4%
I do not use AI in my scholarship or teaching [PN: FIXED]	30%	35%	19%

Q49. How do you approach the use of AI by students in your classes? [PN: REVERSE SCALE 1-5]

	Total	Inside the United States	Outside the United States
Allow it without restrictions	7%	6%	10%
Allow it only for research purposes but not for writing	35%	30%	47%
Allow it as part of a teaching module on how to use AI	15%	15%	15%
Do not allow it but make no effort to detect it	18%	21%	12%
Do not allow it and punish it if detected	25%	29%	16%