



# CALL FOR PAPERS

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The editorial board at *Afkar* is excited to announce the **Call for Papers for the third issue of [Afkar: The Undergraduate Journal of Middle East Studies](#)**. The deadline for submission is **June 1, 2021**.

*Afkar* is an international, peer-reviewed, and student-run academic journal focusing on the study of politics, history, culture, and society in the Middle East and North Africa.<sup>1</sup> The journal offers undergraduate students an interdisciplinary platform to publish their academic work and welcomes manuscripts from a wide range of fields within the humanities and social sciences, including history, political science, anthropology, sociology, gender studies, literature, art history, religious studies, and geography. Below are examples of manuscripts from our previous issues:

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For this issue, we are looking for submissions according to the following categories **in English or Arabic**:

## **Research papers:**

Research papers should be based on original research with a careful analysis of relevant primary-source material. They should be between 4,000–8,000 words and not exceed 30 double-spaced pages.

## **Book reviews:**

Book reviews should provide close and critical readings of works published by scholars in Middle East studies during the last three years. They should evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of the author's argument, and situate the work within the larger literature of the subject in question. They should be between 700–1,500 words.



**All manuscripts must be sent to [afkarjournal.submissions@gmail.com](mailto:afkarjournal.submissions@gmail.com) by June 1, 2021.**

Please note that manuscripts should conform to our submission guidelines, which can be found on our website:

<https://afkarjournal.com/submission-guidelines/>.

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