## Changing Views of the Middle East



with

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Friday, November 14 • 12:30 pm
Robertson Hall, Room 311
Lunch will be served. RSVP to gschmitt@ou.edu



This talk will look at the emergence of criticism of Middle Eastern Studies in the 1960s – after the end of the colonial period – as most Arab countries became independent. It will retrace the arguments leveled against this field of study, before Edward Said's seminal book *Orientalism*. The presentation will then look at the response to Said's argument, and his impact on Western views of the Middle East.



