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A postcolonial perspective on gender in the Middle East

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Postcolonial feminist perspectives in the Middle East have deconstructed and historicized simplistic binary oppositions such as modern/traditional and insisted on the need to take into account imperialism, capitalism and class when studying gender in the region. During this talk, I propose to pursue this path by questioning what studies of the Arabian Peninsula reveal about intersectionality, migration, imperial hegemony and racial hierarchies in the Middle East. The talk will be based mainly on empirical case studies of Western passport holders' social positions, lifestyles and subjectivities in Saudi Arabia and Dubai.