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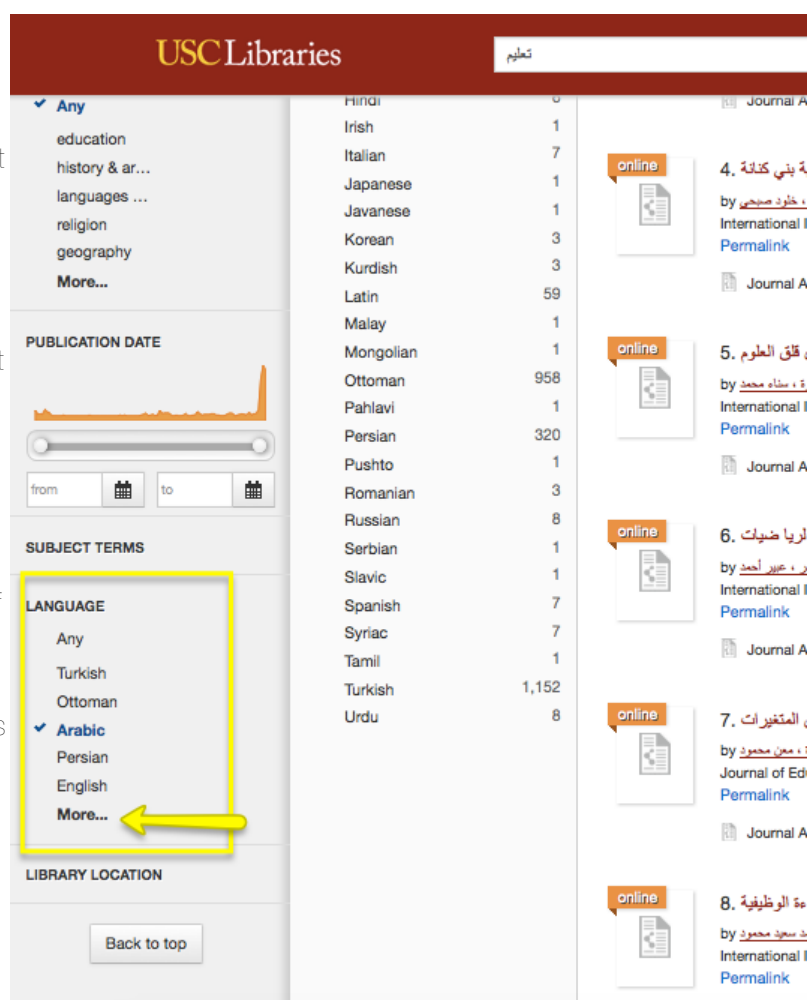
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Search Tips:

- Try both Romanized characters and script for the most effective searches.
- Be careful with word division rules - for example, articles are included in Arabic and Hebrew searches but prepositions use a dash in the Romanization of Hebrew.
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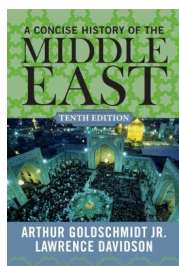
Specific Countries

- [Encyclopaedia Iranica](#)

- [World Factbook](#) 

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A Concise History of the Middle East by Arthur Goldschmidt; Lawrence Davidson; Aomar Boum

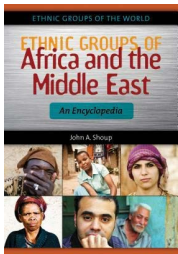
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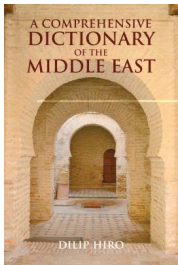
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A Comprehensive Dictionary of the Middle East by Dilip Hiro

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Cultural Sociology of the Middle East, Asia, and Africa by Andrea L. Stanton (Editor); Peter J. Seybolt (Editor); Edward Ramsamy (Editor); Carolyn M Elliott (Editor)

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Dictionaries and Languages

- [Oxford Dictionaries Online](#) 



Farhang Moaser : intermediate Arabic-Persian dictionary

Call Number: PJ6636.P4 Q39 2012 Doheny Reference

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فرهنگ معاصر مانه : عربی فارسی / عبد النبي قيم . Farhang-i mu'asir-i miyanah : 'Arabi-Farsi .

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- [Oxford Reference Online](#) 
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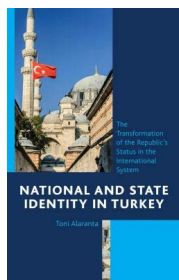
Locating Books & Films

Books on comparative literature topics can be found in multiple places in different libraries (including e-books), though many will be found in [VKC Library](#) and in [Doheny Memorial Library](#) (which includes the Cinematic Arts, East Asian, and Music Libraries, along with Specialized Research Collections). Most films can be found in Leavey Library. Many older materials are kept in our off-campus facility,

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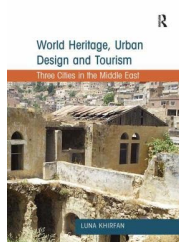
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National and State Identity in Turkey by Toni Alaranta

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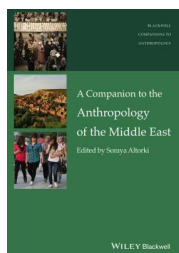
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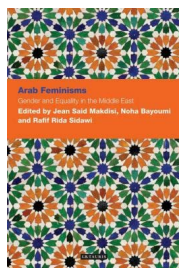
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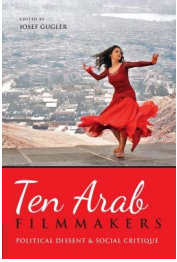
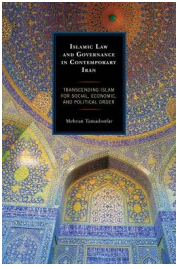
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Islamic Law and Governance in Contemporary Iran by Mehran Tamadonfar

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Ten Arab Filmmakers: Political Dissent and Social Critique by Josef Gugler (Editor)

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- [GenderWatch](#) 
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- [Brockelmann Online](#) 
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- [Oxford Islamic Studies Online](#) 

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- [British Journal of Middle Eastern Studies](#)
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Digital Collections

- [Islamic Heritage Project \(IHP\), Open Collections Harvard University](#)
- [Metropolitan Museum of Art: Islamic art collection](#)
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- [MENALIB: Middle East Virtual Library](#)
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NGOs, IGOs, & Think Tanks

A brief, non-exhaustive list of organizations that contribute to Middle East Studies research. NGOs, IGOs, and Think Tanks often produce reports and other research which can be found on their websites.

- [Begin-Sadat Center for Strategic Studies](#)
a non-partisan and independent institute that provides policy-oriented research on matters of strategy, security and peace in the Middle East.
- [Emirates Center for Strategic Studies and Research](#)
Studies contemporary issues and determining their implications for the United Arab Emirates, the Arab Gulf region, and the Middle East.
- [Middle East Institute](#)
Founded in 1946, the Middle East Institute is the oldest Washington-based institution dedicated solely to the study of the Middle East. Research and publications are organized by topic and country.
- [RAND Center for Middle East Public Policy](#)
This website, from RAND, provides information and expertise on the Middle East as it relates to politics, social issues, economics, and technology.
- [The Washington Institute for Near East Policy](#)
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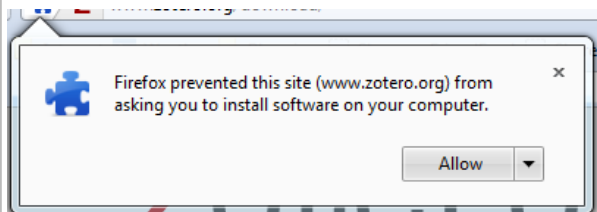
Other Functions

Citation Management software can help you keep track of your sources and generate bibliographies. USC provides free access to [Refworks](#), however there are many other citation management programs available. Below is additional information on using the free software, Zotero.

Go to the [Zotero Download](#) page at Zotero.org

Click the **Zotero for Firefox** link.

When you see the message "**Firefox prevented this site from asking you to install software on your computer,**" click **Allow**.



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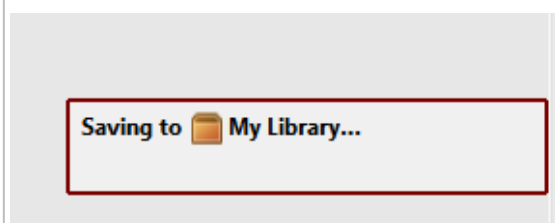


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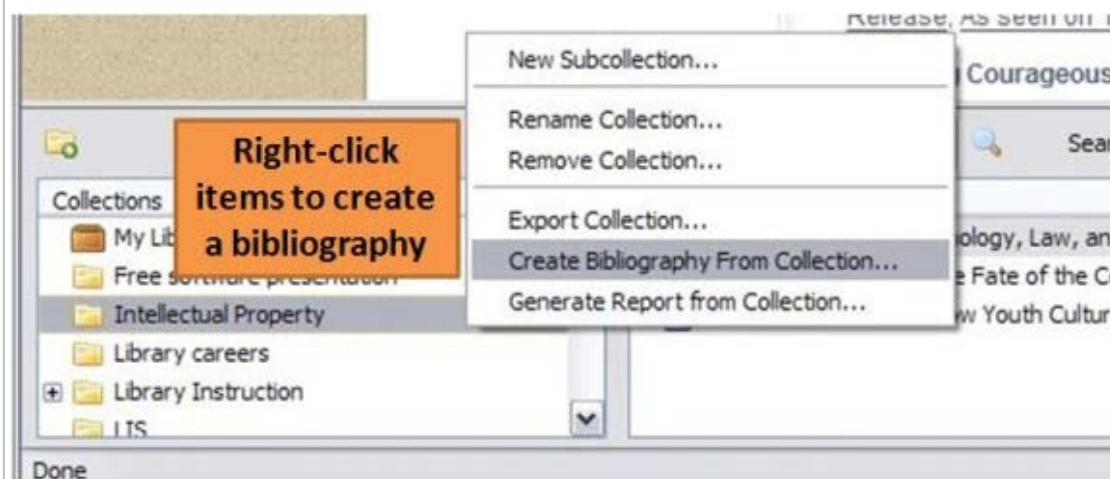
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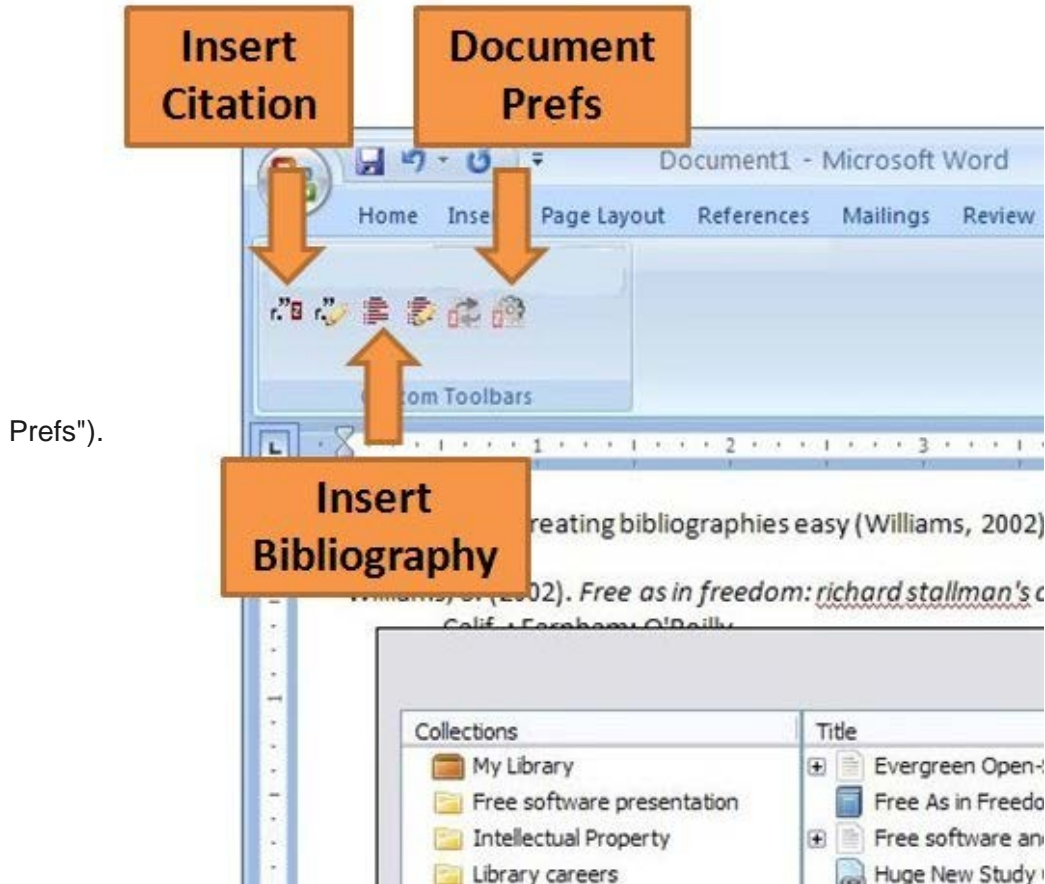
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To install a style (Firefox):

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