



AUB professor to lecture on 'Cultural Aspects of Hizbullah's Politics'
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The Department of Political Science and Public Administration is organizing a lecture entitled "Cultural Aspects of Hizbullah's Politics" by AUB PSPA Professor Bashir Saade. The lecture will be take place on March 19 at 1:00 pm in West Hall's Auditorium C.

Abstract: Hizbullah as a political organization can be viewed as a field of cultural production that informs and shapes social action. Different forms of writings, from declarations, speeches, books, newspaper articles, to video clips, songs, rituals, parades, are marks of the presence of that party and the different representations it projects to the world at large. This inquiry starts from the idea that this proliferation of cultural idioms signals various ideological claims that have a "performative" dimension and are constantly renegotiated.

Rather than focus on 'what is being said', the content and what it means, it may be better to look at 'how it is being said', the form, where it emerges from, and how it strives to produce statements of knowledge or truth.