

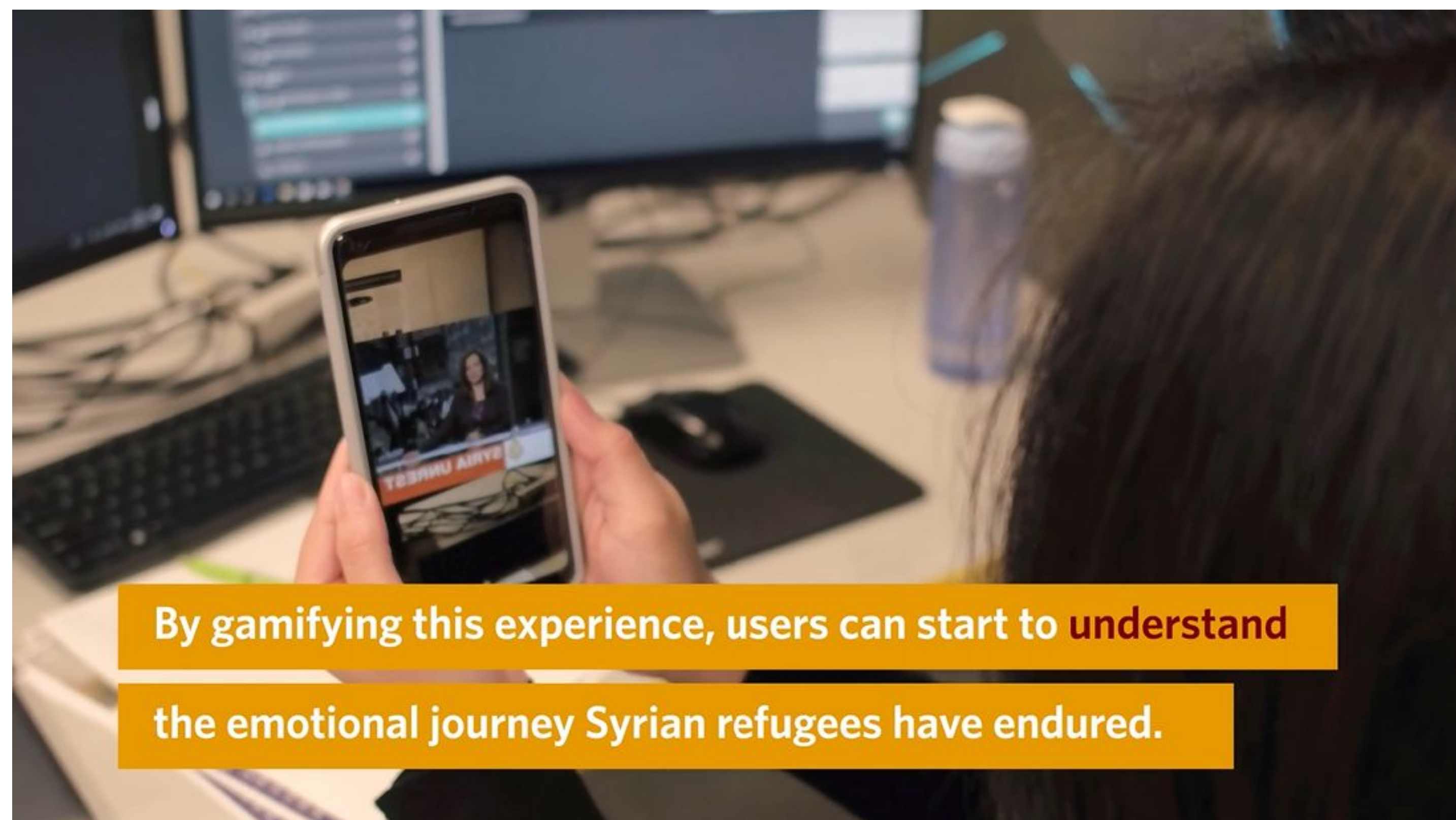
# Journey With Me: A Syrian Refugee Digital Storytelling Experience

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## Purpose

To evoke empathy and help students understand the emotional and mental consequences of the Syrian Civil War.

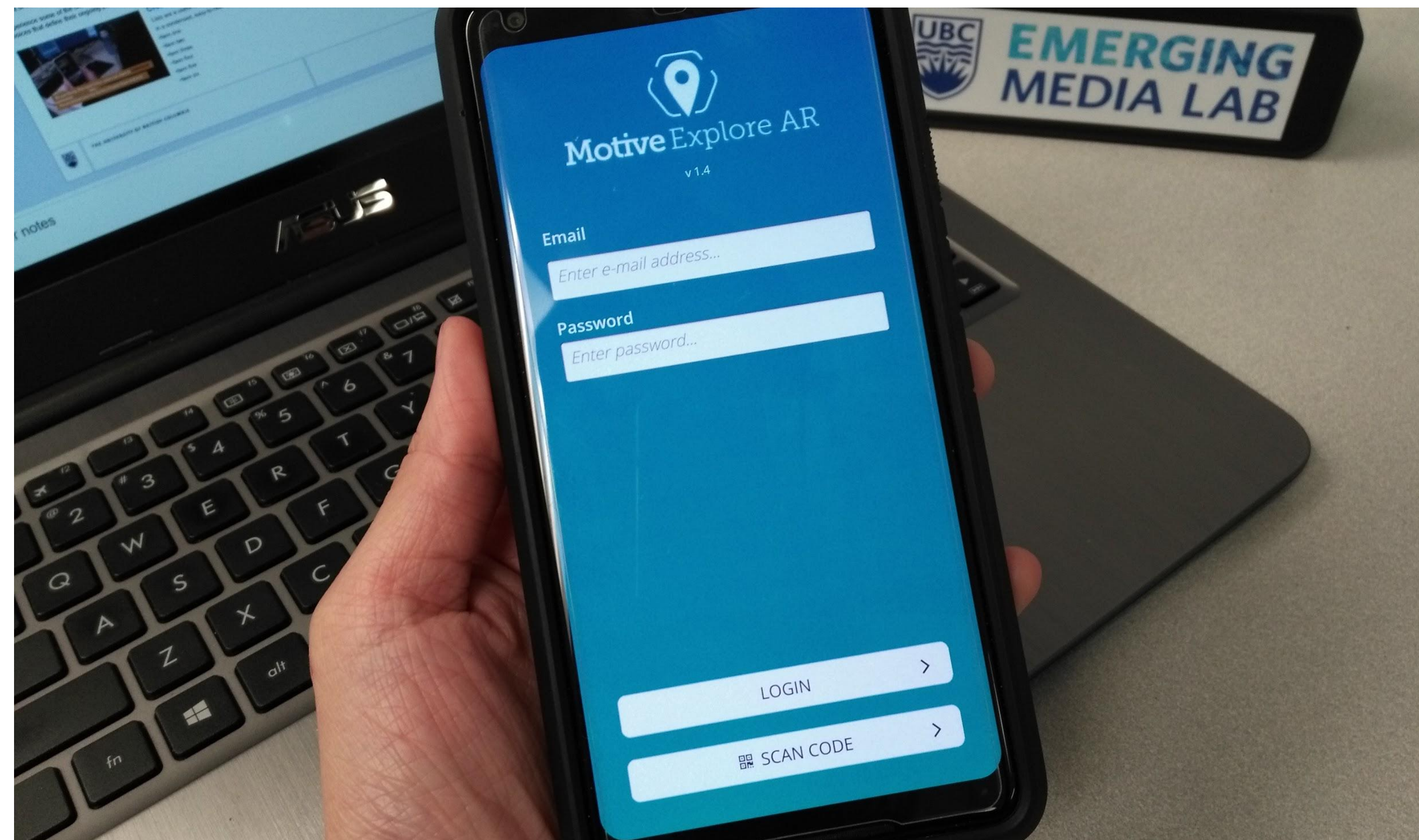
GEOG 498 provides a critical analysis of the Middle East, but struggles to illustrate how the area and its citizens are significant for not only its politics, but their relationships and connections. Journey with Me helps to fill that gap.



## Background

Journey with Syrian refugees who have left their homes to start their life anew in Vancouver. Imagine having to leave everything you've ever known behind in pursuit of safety and stability.

Experience some of the choices and lack of choices that define their ongoing journey.



## How it works

Joining content and form, students are forced to make choices or given a lack of choice.

You'll be prompted to move, wait, listen to audio, watch videos, among other instructions to progress the experience.



## Try it!

1. **Download “Explore AR” in your app store.** It should look like the screen to the left when you open it.
2. Click “SCAN CODE” on the bottom of the screen. **Scan this QR code:**



3. Launch experience, then click the button on the top-left of the screen.
4. **Click “Tours”.**
5. **Select “Journey with Me”.**
6. **To begin, make sure you're sitting in a comfortable place.**
7. **Enjoy!**

You must have: a mobile device, earbuds, Wifi to preload data, full batteries, location turned on. Optional: an external battery, a mobile data plan.

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