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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Regarding Arab American studies in the CA Ethnic Studies Model Curriculum

I spent seven summers with Christian Peacemaker Teams in Palestine, observing the occupation. As an Israeli soldier explained to me in 2002, what Israel is doing to the indigenous Palestinians is no different than what we Americans did to our indigenous Native Americans.

I am a retired high school teacher. I am writing to ask you to keep the California Ethnic Studies Model Curriculum (ESMC) intact, including the proposed Arab American studies.

Peace and blessing  
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