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Hello,

I am writing to support the inclusion of Arab American studies within the Rubric of Asian American studies.

In this time of extreme islamophobia and xenophobia, it's also important to include West Asian American experiences in the ESMC.

The history and current struggles of the Palestinian people should be included.

It is not antisemitic to defend human rights. When we talk about the policies of the government of Israel, we are labelled antisemitic. It is like we are not allowed to dissent policies of our government and be labeled anti patriotic.

Revisions that affect Arab American studies should be made in collaboration with Arab American scholars and Ethnic Studies practitioners.

Thanks a lot for your understanding.

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