

The Rise of the “Islamic State”



Dr. Ian Feinhandler, geography faculty at Front Range Community College, will analyze the rise of the self-proclaimed “Islamic State” (also known by various acronyms, including ISIS, ISIL, and DAESH). Once seen as a minor off-shoot of al Qaeda, the Islamic State now controls significant portions of Syria and Iraq, has branches in Pakistan, Egypt, Libya, Algeria and Nigeria, and is recruiting across the Western world; in May 2015, the Islamic State took credit for an attack in Texas. In this lecture Dr. Feinhandler will examine the social, political, and economic factors that gave rise to this organization.

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