

West European Studies National Resource Center
List of films on Islam in Europe
WEST Lending Library, Ballantine Hall 542C

The West European studies office houses an extensive collection of feature films and documentaries related to Western Europe on DVD, VHS/videotape, and laserdisc formats. Films may be viewed in the Library on our equipment.

Films may also be borrowed for qualified educational and/or research purposes. Faculty, graduate students, instructors, and other local educators are encouraged to make use of the collection.

This is a working list of films available in the WEST collection which concern Islam in Europe. For a complete list of films in the WEST library, visit <http://www.iub.edu/~west/movielibrary.php>. WEST welcomes acquisition suggestions and requests from scholars and educators. Please send your comments, suggestions, and requests to west@indiana.edu.

Ali: Fear Eats the Soul (1974, 94 min.)
[German]

DVD

Angst essen Seele auf

A woman in the second half of life falls in love with an Arab guest worker ten years her junior.	
Location: WEST Collection, Ballantine 542	Issues: Love, Class
Including: Brigitte Mira, El Hedi ben Salem, Barbara Valentin, Irm Hermann	Directed by: Rainer Werner Fassbinder
Country: Germany	Genre: Drama, Romance

Battle of Algiers, The (1966, 121 min.) [French,Other] DVD, VHS

Bataille d'Alger, La

An account of the struggle for freedom in the early years of decolonization.	
Location: WEST Collection, Ballantine 542	Issues: Politics, Race, Class
Including: Brahim Hadjadj, Jean Martin, Yacef Saadi	Directed by: Gillo Pontecorvo
Country: France, Other	Genre: Drama, War, Historical

Days of Glory (2006, 128 min.) [French, Other]

DVD

Indigènes

Four North African soldiers in the French military must battle against the Nazi opposition and discrimination on the home-front.
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Location: WEST Collection, Ballantine 542	Issues: Politics, Race, Honor, Violence, Friendship
Including: Jamel Debbouze, Samy Naceri, Sami Bouajila, Roschdy Zem	Directed by: Rachid Bouchareb
Country: France	Genre: Drama, Historical, War

East is East (1999, 96 min.) [English, Other] DVD

Two fun-loving bachelors are having the time of their lives until their father begins arranging marriages for them.	
Location: WEST Collection, Ballantine 542	Issues: Family, Honor, Sexuality, Love
Including: Om Puri, Linda Bassett, Jordan Routledge, Archie Panjabi	Directed by: Damien O'Donnell
Country: United Kingdom	Genre: Comedy, Drama

Fratricide (2005, 92 min.) [German, Other] DVD

Amidst hopeless squalor, four exiles--two Kurds, two Turks--meet in Germany, unleashing a nightmarish cycle of violence they believed they had left behind.	
Location: WEST Collection, Ballantine 542	Issues: Violence, Religion, Race, Politics, Honor
Including:	Directed by: Yilmaz Arslan
Country: Germany	Genre: Drama

Haine, La (1995, 97 min.) [French] Hate DVD

Three young men are caught between their cultural backgrounds and the appeal of violence in the low class suburbs.	
Location: WEST Collection, Ballantine 542	Issues: Race, Class, Violence, Money, Coming-of-age
Including: Vincent Cassel, Hubert Koundé, Saïd Taghmaoui	Directed by: Mathieu Kassovitz
Country: France	Genre: Crime, Drama

Head On (2004, 118 min.) [German, Other] DVD
Gegen die Wand

Two Turkish-Germans must learn to love each other after they are forced into a marriage of convenience.	
Location: WEST Collection, Ballantine 542	Issues: Love, Money, Class, Honor

Including: Birol Ünel, Sibel Kekilli, Catrin Striebeck, Güven Kiraç	Directed by: Fatih Akin
Country: Germany	Genre: Drama, Romance

In July (2000, 96 min.) [German] DVD
Im Juli

A German teacher hopes to find his true love on a journey to Istanbul with a mysterious tourist.	
Location: WEST Collection, Ballantine 542	Issues: Love, Coming-of-age, Friendship
Including: Moritz Bleibtreu, Christiane Paul, Mehmet Kurtulus	Directed by: Fatih Akin
Country: Germany	Genre: Romance, Comedy

Inch'Allah Dimanche (2001, 98 min.) DVD
 [French,Other]

An Algerian woman struggles with cultural differences after she and her children move to France to join her husband.	
Location: WEST Collection, Ballantine 542	Issues: Family, Politics, Love
Including: Fejria Deliba, Rabia Mokeddem, Amina Annabi, Anass Behri	Directed by: Yamina Benguigui
Country: France, Other	Genre: Drama, Biography

Lola and Bilidikid (2003, 91 min.) [German, Other] DVD

Murat is a 17-year-old gay Turk living in Berlin who's desperately trying to come out in the traditional-bound confines of his immigrant family. His quest for acceptance leads him to the enigmatic Lola, reigning queen of the Turkish gay scene.	
Location: WEST Collection, Ballantine 542	Issues: Violence, Sexuality, Religion, Politics, Coming-of-age
Including:	Directed by: Kutlug Ataman
Country: Germany	Genre: Drama

Mad Adventures of Rabbi Jacob, The (1973, 100 min.) DVD
 [French]

Aventures de Rabbi Jacob, Les

A staunch Catholic Frenchman masquerades as a rabbi to avoid discovery by a

group of Arab revolutionaries.	
Location: WEST Collection, Ballantine 542	Issues: Honor, Class, Politics
Including: Louis de Funès, Suzy Delair, Marcel Dalio	Directed by: Gébard Oury
Country: France	Genre: Comedy

My Son the Fanatic (1997, 87 min.) [English] DVD

A New York cab driver from Pakistan befriends a compassionate woman and fears that his son is making mistakes in his life.	
Location: WEST Collection, Ballantine 542	Issues: Family, Honor, Money, Class
Including: Om Puri, Rachel Griffiths, Akbar Kurtha, Stellan Skarsgård	Directed by: Udayan Prasad
Country: United States, Other	Genre: Comedy, Drama, Romance

Persepolis (2008, 95 min.) [French] DVD

Based on the graphic novel by Marjane Satrapi, the film draws a poignant story about a young girl in Iran during the Islamic Revolution.	
Location: WEST Collection, Ballantine 542	Issues: Violence, Religion, Politics, Life
Including:	Directed by: Marjane Satrapi
Country: France	Genre: Drama, Historical

Schnitzelparadijs, Het (2005, 82 min.) DVD
[Dutch,Arabic]

A young Moroccan must deal with his overbearing father, his bumbling friends, and his Dutch girlfriend.	
Location: WEST Collection, Ballantine 542	Issues: Coming-of-age, Class, Family, Love, Race
Including: Mounir Valentyn, Bracha van Doesburgh, Mimoun Oaïssa	Directed by: Martin Koolhoven
Country: Netherlands	Genre: Comedy, Romance