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*The Nijad and Zeina Fares Arab-American Educational Foundation  
Annual Distinguished Lecture in Modern Arab Studies*

# THE EARLY HISTORY OF THE ARAB-AMERICAN COMMUNITY

**TUESDAY**  
**FEBRUARY 19** **2019**

Reception

6:00 PM

Lecture

6:30 PM

*Presented by*  
**PROFESSOR AKRAM KHATER**



*(North Carolina State University)*

Akram Khater Ph.D. (UC Berkeley) is University Faculty Scholar, Professor of History, Khayrallah Chair in Diaspora Studies, and Director of the Khayrallah Center for Lebanese Diaspora Studies at North Carolina State University. His books include *Inventing Home: Emigration, Gender and the Making of a Lebanese Middle Class, 1861-1921*; *A History of the Middle East: A Sourcebook for the History of the Middle East and North Africa*; and *Embracing the Divine: Passion and Politics in the Christian Middle East*. He is the editor of the *International Journal of Middle East Studies*, has completed a 2012 PBS documentary on the history of the Lebanese community in North Carolina, was the senior curator for a museum exhibit on the same topic that opened on February 21st, 2014, and was also the curator of the traveling exhibit, *The Lebanese in America*, which has toured six US cities, and will continue to tour through 2019.

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