ARAB STUDIES, MINOR

College of Letters & Science

The Arab Studies Minor is an interdisciplinary minor that allows students to learn about the pre-modern and modern history, cultures, societies, and diasporas of Arabic-speaking peoples of West Asia and North Africa as well as other users of Arabic. The Arab Studies Minor is open to undergraduates in all four colleges.

Minor Advisor

Consult the Middle East/South Asia Studies Advisor in 1287 Social Science & Humanities, 530-752-3576, or at Middle East/South Asia Studies (http://mesa.ucdavis.edu).

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Core Course List

Choose additional electives from the Core Course list: 4-15

No more than one lower division course can be counted toward the minor requirements.

- MSA 111A Great Cities of Arab Middle East & South Asia
- MSA 121A/ COM 175 Shahnameh: The Persian Book of Kings
  or ARB 140/ COM 172/ MSA 121C A Story for a Life: The Arabian Nights
- MSA 122A Themes in the Arabic Novel
- MSA 150/ WMS 185 Women & Islamic Discourses
  or WMS 185/ MSA 150 Women & Islamic Discourses
- MSA 181C Topics in Regional ME/SA Studies: Arab Studies
- MSA 182C Undergraduate Proseminar in Middle East/South Asia: Arab Studies Seminar
- ANT 142 Peoples of the Middle East
- ARB 001 Elementary Arabic 1
  or ARB 001A Accelerated Intensive Elementary Arabic
- ARB 002 Elementary Arabic 2
- ARB 003 Elementary Arabic 3
- ARB 021 Intermediate Arabic 21
- ARB 022 Intermediate Arabic 22
- ARB 023 Intermediate Arabic 23
- ARB 121 Advanced Arabic

- POL 135 International Politics of the Middle East
- POL 136 The Arab-Israeli Conflict
- RST 060 Introduction to Islam
- RST 065C The Qur’an & Its Interpretation
- RST 160 Introduction to Islamic Thought
- RST 161 Modern Islam
- RST 162 Introduction to Islamic Law
- RST 163 Social Life of Islam
- WMS 184 Gender in the Arab World

With prior consultation with an advisor, students can petition in advance the Program Committee to accept other elective courses toward the minor program if the content is 50% or more on the Arab World.

With prior consultation with an advisor, students can petition in advance the Program Committee to accept more than 4 units of MSA 181C and/or MSA 182C towards the minor program.

Total Units 20-31