

# 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>).

| Code        | Title  | Units |
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| MSA 100     | Middle East & South Asia: Comparative Perspectives                       | 4     |
| MSA 180     | Topics in Middle East & South Asian Studies                              | 4     |
| HIS 193A    | History of the Modern Middle East, 1750-1914                             | 4     |
| or HIS 193B | History of the Modern Middle East, From 1914                             |       |
| MSA 181C    | Topics in Regional ME/SA Studies: Arab Studies                           | 4     |
| or MSA 182C | Undergraduate Proseminar in Middle East/South Asia: Arab Studies Seminar |       |

### 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.

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| MSA 111A                            | Great Cities of Arab Middle East & South Asia                                |
| MSA 121A/<br>COM 175                | Shahnameh: The Persian Book of Kings   |
| or ARB 140/<br>COM 172/<br>MSA 121C | A Story for a Life: The Arabian Nights                                       |
| MSA 122A                            | Themes in the Arabic Novel   |
| MSA 150/<br>GSW 185                 | Women & Islamic Discourses   |
| MSA 181C                            | Topics in Regional ME/SA Studies: Arab Studies                               |
| MSA 182C                            | Undergraduate Proseminar in Middle East/<br>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  |
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| ARB 198  | Directed Group Study   |
| AHI 155  | The Islamic City   |
| COM 053C | Literatures of the Islamic World                                 |
| COM 155  | Classical Literatures of the Islamic World<br>600-1900           |
| COM 166  | Literatures of the Modern Middle East                            |
| HIS 006  | Introduction to the Middle East                                  |
| HIS 102R | Undergraduate Proseminar in History:<br>Muslim Societies         |
| HIS 112C | History of Jews in the Muslim World                              |
| HIS 115F | History of Modern North Africa, 1800 to the<br>Present           |
| HIS 190A | Middle Eastern History I: The Rise of Islam,<br>600-1000         |
| HIS 190B | Middle Eastern History II: The Age of the<br>Crusades, 1001-1400 |
| HIS 190C | Middle Eastern History III: The Ottomans,<br>1401-1730           |
| HIS 193A | History of the Modern Middle East,<br>1750-1914                  |
| HIS 193B | History of the Modern Middle East, From<br>1914                  |
| 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   |
| WMS 185  | (Discontinued)   |

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.

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| <b>Total Units</b> | <b>20-31</b> |
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