All students must complete two full years of training in a single foreign language. But you also have the choice of completing a minor or a second major in a language.

Pre-major courses give students a foundation in their area of study. Students should complete pre-major classes as part of their GE requirements:

- Economics 2001.XX (3)
- History 2353 (3)

Major courses

- Complete a minimum of 30 credit hours and 10 courses.
- Courses used in your major cannot also be used for GE requirements except in the case of double majors. See an advisor for details.
- You must earn a C- or higher in all courses on your major and have a minimum 2.0 grade point average in the major.

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AU22 – SU23

Foreign Language

Pre-major requirements for students who start at OSU AU22 through SU23.

Students choosing a major in Middle East Studies are interested in careers in business, local, state and federal government, and non-profit. This major requires completion of a minimum of two years of language study. Coursework completed at OSU or abroad and/or appropriate placement test results can document this.

To fulfill the foreign language requirement students have three options: complete two years (4 semesters) of a single language, complete a foreign language minor or complete a second major in a language.

For those opting to complete two years in a single language at OSU, after completing 1101, 1102, 1103, you must complete one advanced language course in that language (see list on right).

Major courses

- ARABIC 2104.01
- FRENCH 2101.01
- HEBREW 2105
- PERSIAN 2104
- TURKISH 2101
**MAJOR REQUIREMENTS**

Complete 30 credit hours (10 courses)

**EMBEDDED LITERACIES (EL): (three courses): 9 hours**

Students must complete at least one course each in Advanced Writing, Data Analysis and Technology. These courses are part of the major and courses which fulfill the requirements are indicated below.

**REQUIRED FOUNDATIONS: (complete all four courses): 12 hours**

- AEDECON or INTSTDS 4537 Middle Eastern Economic Development (3)
- International Studies 2200 Introduction to the Modern Middle East (3)
- International Studies 5645 Contemporary Issues in the Middle East (3)
- Political Science 4327 Politics in the Middle East (3)

**CRITICAL PERSPECTIVES (choose four): 12 hours** (must include one EL Technology, one EL Advanced Writing & one EL Data Analysis)

- Anthropology 3451 Archaeology of the Ancient Near East (3)
- Arabic 5701 The Qur’an in Translation (3)
- History 3350 Middle East in the 19th Century (3)
- History 3351 Intellectual & Social Movements in the Muslim World (3)
- International Studies 3400 Analysis & Display of Data (EL Data Analysis) (3)
- International Studies 3450 Human Rights: An Introduction (3)
- International Studies 3703 Ethical Issues in the Information Age (EL Technology) (3)
- International Studies 4700 Terror & Terrorism (EL Advanced Writing) (3)
- International Studies 4701 Weapons of Mass Destruction (EL Technology) (3)
- International Studies 4852 Research in Globalization (EL Advanced Writing) (3)
- Political Science 3852 Data Literacy & Data Visualization (EL Data Analysis) (3)
- NELC 3205 Women in the Muslim Middle East (3)
- NELC 3501 Introduction to Islam (3)
- NELC 3502 Islamic Civilization through the Ages (3)
- NELC 5204 Culture & Politics in Central Asia (3)

**ELECTIVES (choose two): 6 hours**

For electives, students can choose any combination of two courses from other International Studies specializations, the list below and unused courses from the Critical Perspectives.

- Arabic 3301 Contemporary Folklore in the Arab World (3)
- Arabic 5702 Arabic Folk Narrative in Translation (3)
- History 3365 History of Afghanistan (3)
- History 3450 History of Ancient Israel (to 300 B.C.E.) (3)
- History 3470 Messiahs and Messianism in Jewish History (3)
- International Studies 4195 Selected Problems in International Studies (3-6)
- International Studies 5191 Student Internship Program (3)
- NELC 3230 Introduction to Shi’i Beliefs and History (3)
- NELC 3700 Mythology of Ancient Egypt and Mesopotamia (3)
- NELC 3702 Literatures and Cultures of the Islamic World (3)
- NELC 3703 Middle Eastern Literature and Post-Colonial Theory (3)
- NELC 3704 The Middle East in the Media (3)
- NELC 4601 Israeli and Palestinian Literature (3)
- NELC 5112 Languages and Cultures of the Middle East (3)
- NELC 5202 Representing the Near East in Film (3)
- NELC 5206 Colonial Cities in Post-Colonial Memory (3)