

# MIDDLE EAST STUDIES

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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).

ARABIC 2104.01  
FRENCH 2101.01  
HEBREW 2105  
PERSIAN 2104  
TURKISH 2101

## B.A.

### FOREIGN LANGUAGE

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

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 2001.01 (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.

# MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

Complete 30 credit hours (10 courses)

## 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

Anthropology 3451	Archaeology of the Ancient Near East (3)
Arabic 5701	The Qur'an in Translation (3)
History 3350	Middle East in the 19 <sup>th</sup> Century (3)
History 3351	Intellectual & Social Movements in the Muslim World (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)
NELC 5575	Intellectuals in the Middle East (3)
NELC 5578	Islamic Law & Society (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 3360	History of Iran (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 3400	The Analysis and Display of Data (3)
International Studies 4195	Selected Problems in International Studies (3-6)
International Studies 4200	Living Jerusalem(3)
International Studies 4252	The Taliban Struggle for Power in Modern Afghanistan (3)
International Studies 4253	Central Asia in World Affairs (3)
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)