

# Middle East Studies

MAJOR (BS)

## I. REQUIRED MINOR

In addition to major requirements, students must complete one of the following minors:

- Agribusiness: minimum 12 hours (4-5 classes)  
*Prerequisite: AEDECON 2001 or (Econ 2001.01 or 2001.02)*
- Business: 15 hours (5 classes)  
Prerequisites: Econ 2001.01 or 2001.02, CSE 1110 or higher, Math 1130 or 1148 or math placement in M or L.
- City and Regional Planning: 12 hours (4 classes)
- Environmental Science: 15 hours (5 classes)
- Geographic Information Science: 18 hours (6 classes)
- Global Public Health: 15 hours (5 classes)
- Information Security: 16 hours (6 classes) Consult INTSTDs advisor for prerequisites and scheduling.
- International Business: 15 hours (6 classes)
- Quantitative Economics: 15 – 16 hours (5 classes)

## II. PRE-MAJOR: (Complete 4 classes): 13 hours. Complete sections (a) and (b).

a. Completion of 1103 or equivalent of one of the following languages with a grade of C- or higher. Choose from:

- Arabic
- French
- Hebrew
- Persian
- Turkish

b. Completion of the following classes with a grade of C- or above. These courses do not count in the major, but may also double count for GE requirements:

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| • Economics 2001.01 or 2001.02 | Principles of Microeconomics (3)           |
| • History 2353                 | The Middle East Since 1914 (3)             |
| • Statistics 2450              | Introduction to Statistical Analysis I (3) |

## III. MAJOR REQUIREMENTS: Complete sections (a), (b), (c) and (d), continued on back.

- Complete a minimum of 30 credit hours and 10 courses.
- Courses used in your major cannot also be used for GE requirements.
- 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.

### a. REQUIRED FOUNDATIONS: (Complete all four courses): 12 hours.

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| 1. AEDECON or INTSTDs 4537    | Middle Eastern Economic Development (3)    |
| 2. International Studies 2200 | Introduction to the Modern Middle East (3) |
| 3. INTSTDs or NELC 5645       | Contemporary Issues in the Middle East (3) |
| 4. Political Science 4327     | Politics in the Middle East(3)             |

**b. ADVANCED FOREIGN LANGUAGE: (Complete one): 3-5 hours**

**Remember, you must complete 1103 of the same language first. \***

- Arabic 2104
- French 2101.01
- Hebrew 2105
- Persian 2104
- Turkish 2101

**\*Note: International Students should consult with the IS department about this requirement.**

**c. 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)

**d. ELECTIVES (choose one): 3 hours**

**(Choose one course from the list below or unused courses from Section c.)**

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 4195	Selected Problems in International Studies (3)
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)
International Studies 5797	Study Abroad (3) (3000 level and dept. approval)
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)