The Department of Modern Languages  
The Minor in Arabic Studies

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Required Units: 54-57

Prerequisites  
Intermediate-level proficiency in the Arabic language. This is equivalent to the completion of three courses (two at the 100-level and one at the 200-level), or placement or exemption based on Advanced Placement, Cambridge GCE Advanced level, International Baccalaureate or CMU internal placement test scores. In all cases, progress will be accelerated by study abroad, which is highly recommended for all minors. (Study abroad advisor - Dr. Khaled Al Masaeed (masaeed@andrew.cmu.edu).

*Students may double count one course taken for the Arabic Studies minor that is also being used to fulfill the requirements of other majors, minors, and programs. This does not include double-counting with General Education requirements.

CMU-Q students who place out of the core courses as determined by the campus advisor for Arabic Studies must take four (or more) courses from List A courses, conducted in Arabic, and two (or fewer) courses from List B, conducted in English.

**1. Core Courses in Arabic Studies**  
27-30 units

- 82-212 Intermediate Arabic II (12 units)
- 82-311 Advanced Arabic I (9 units)
- 82-312 Advanced Arabic II (9 units)

* Students who place higher than 82-212 must take a total of 27 units in Core Courses

**2. Arabic Studies and Interdisciplinary Electives**  
27 units

- Complete two courses (18 units) from List A, and one course (9 units) from List B, or three courses (27 units) from List A.

**List A. Arabic Studies Electives**

- 82-117 AND 82-118 Arabic Conversation and Dialect I and II (in the dialect)
- 82-411* Topics in Arabic Media
- 82-412* Topics in Arabic Studies
  - Topics: Language and Society in the Arab World
  - Contemporary Issues in Arabic Media
- 82-505 Undergraduate Internship
- 82-511/512* Special Topics in Arabic Language & Culture

*Students may repeat these courses with new topics.

**List B. Interdisciplinary Electives**

This list is compiled from possibilities such as but not limited to the following. Students should consult OLR and their minor advisor for the most up to date interdisciplinary electives appropriate for the Arabic Studies curriculum. Courses may be suggested to the minor advisor for approval as a substitute. Note that not all courses are offered each semester.

**Architecture**

- 48-240 Historical Survey of World Architecture and Urbanism I
- 48-315 Environment I: Climate & Energy
- 48-579 Middle Eastern Cities: Case Studies from Two Centuries of Urban History
Business
70-321 Negotiation and Conflict Resolution
70-342 Managing Across Cultures
70-365 International Trade and International Law

Engineering and Public Policy
19-411 Global Competitiveness: Firms, Nations and Technological Change
19-424 Energy and the Environment

English
76-386 Language & Culture
76-318 Communicating in the Global Marketplace
76-484 Discourse Analysis
76-491 Rhetorical Analysis
76-472 Topics in Journalism: Multimedia Storytelling in a Digital Age

History
79-229 Origins of the Arab-Israeli Conflict, 1880-1948
79-230 Arab-Israeli Conflict and Peace Process since 1948
79-233 The United States and the Middle East since 1945
79-272 Iberian Encounters: Muslims, Christians, and Jews in Spain
79-302 Drone Warfare: Ethics, Law, Politics, History, and Strategy
79-307 Religion and Politics in the Middle East
79-310 From Al Qaeda to ISIS: U.S. and European Anti-Terrorism Policies, 9/11-Present
79-336 Global Environmental History, Middle East Perspectives
79-359 Terrorism and U.S. National Security
79-381 Energy and Empire: How Fossil Fuels Changed the World
79-398 Documenting the 1967 Arab-Israeli War

Information Systems
67-329 Contemporary Themes in Global Systems

Institute for Politics and Strategy
84-275 Comparative Politics
84-322 Attitudes, the Media, and Conflict in International Relations
84-323 War and Peace
84-326 Theories of International Relations
84-310 International Political Economy and Organizations
84-362 Diplomacy and Stagecraft
84-389 Terrorism and Insurgency

Linguistics
80-180 Nature of Language
80-282 Phonetics and Phonology
80-280 Linguistic Analysis
80-381 Meaning in Language
80-383 Language in Use

Modern Languages
82-114 Arabic for Global Exchange Online
82-215 Introduction to Modern Arabic Literature and Culture
82-217 Multilingualism & Multiculturalism in the Arab World
82-280 Learning About Language Learning
82-282 Community Service Learning
82-283 Language Diversity & Cultural Identity
82-286 Understanding Cultural Complexities
82-300 Language & Society in the Arab World
82-358 Literacies Across Language and Culture
82-383 Second Language Acquisition: Theories and Research
82-449 Arabic Sociolinguistics (CMU-Q)
82-480 Social and Cognitive Aspects of Bilingualism

**Modern Languages/Arabic Studies Courses available at CMU-Q**

82-214 Topics in Modern Arabic Language, Literature, & Culture
82-216 Literature of the Arabic-speaking World
82-313 Readings in Islamic History
82-314 Arabic for the Professions

**Philosophy**
80-136 Social Structure, Public Policy & Ethics
80-244 Environmental Ethics
80-247 Ethics and Global Economics
80-281 Language and Thought
80-283 It Matters How You Say It
80-324 Philosophy of Economics
80-381 Meaning in Language
80-383 Language in Use

**Psychology**
85-219 Biological Foundations of Behavior
85-375 Cross-cultural Psychology
85-421 Language and Thought

**Social and Decision Sciences**
88-412 Energy, Climate Change, and Economic Growth in the 21st Century
88-432 International Policy Decision Modeling Workshop