The Minor

The minor in Middle East studies is an interdisciplinary program aimed at a comparative study of the Middle East (including North Africa).

The program consists of seven courses, of which at least five must be upper-division courses. Three courses have to deal with the Middle East since the emergence of Islam, as listed here under “Core Courses.” The remaining courses may be chosen from either the Core Courses or the Supporting Courses; and they may be courses dealing with the ancient, medieval, or modern Middle East or a three-quarter sequence of a Middle Eastern language (in which case only four of the seven courses need to be upper-division). Ordinarily all seven courses must be taken for a letter grade.

The courses which make up the minor must be approved by the student’s college and by the Middle East Studies Program.

Approved courses taken at other universities or through participation in the Education Abroad Program can be included as part of the minor by petition.

COURSES

CORE COURSES

ANRG 162. Peoples of the Middle East
ANRG 271. Muslims and Modernity
ANPR 199, Independent Study (Middle East Anthropology)
HINE 108. The Middle East before Islam
HINE 114. History of the Islamic Middle East
HINE 116. The Middle East in the Age of European Empires
HINE 118. The Middle East in the Twentieth Century
HINE 166. Nationalism in the Middle East
HINE 186. Special Topics in Middle Eastern History
HINE 199. Independent Study (Middle East History)
LTNE 150. Arabic Literature in Translation
LTWL 142. Islam: The Origins and Spread of a World Religion
LTWL 160. Women in Literature: Arabic Women in Literature & Society
Poli. Sci. 121. Middle East Politics
Soc./D 182. Revolutions
Soc./E 199. Independent Study (Middle East Sociology)
TWS 25. Third-World Literatures

SUPPORTING COURSES

ANGN 102. Early Urbanism
ANGN 105. Ethnoarchaeology
ANLD 3. World Prehistory
ANRG 101. Near Eastern Pre-History
ANRG 115. Foundations/Social Complex/Near East
ANRG 116. Archaeology of Society in Syro-Palestine
ANRG 182. Ethnography of Island Southeast Asia
Judaic Studies 1. Beginning Hebrew
Judaic Studies 2. Intermediate Hebrew
Judaic Studies 3. Intermediate Hebrew Continued
Judaic Studies 101. Introduction to Hebrew Texts
Judaic Studies 102. Intermediate Hebrew Texts
Judaic Studies 103. Advanced Hebrew Texts
HIEU 112. Modern Balkan History
HINE 100. The Ancient Near East and Israel
HINE 101. Hebrew Prophetic Literature
HINE 102. The Jews in Their Homeland in Antiquity
HINE 103. The Jewish Diaspora in Antiquity
HINE 104. The Bible and the Ancient Near East
HINE 160. Special Topics in the Bible and Ancient Near East
HINE 170. Special Topics in Jewish History
HINE 181. Problems in the Study of Hebrew Manuscripts
HINE 199. Independent Study (Judaic Studies)
HITO 100. Ancient Religions
HITO 101. Western Religions (Judaism, Christianity, Islam)
LTNE 102A. Bible: The Prophetic Books
LTNE 102B. Bible: The Narrative Books
LTNE 106. Bible: Topics in Biblical Narrative
RELI 112. The Holy Book in Judaism, Christianity, Islam
Soc./D 182. Revolutions
Soc./D 189. Special Topics in Comparative-Historical Sociology (Middle East Topics)