Arabic Studies, Minor

Requirements

The undergraduate minor in Arabic studies requires a minimum of 16 s.h. earned in Arabic courses (prefix ARAB) considered intermediate (numbered 2000–2999) or advanced (numbered 3000 or above). A maximum of 3 s.h. may be taken in approved coursework taught in English. At least 12 s.h. must be taken at the University of Iowa. Students must maintain a grade-point average of at least 2.00 in all courses for the minor and in all UI courses for the minor. Coursework in the minor may not be taken pass/nonpass. CLAS minors may only be earned concurrent with or subsequent to earning a University of Iowa bachelor's degree. They cannot be granted as standalone credentials or as the sole program of study completed at the University of Iowa.

Required Coursework

Course #	Title	Hours
All of these:		
ARAB:2001	Intermediate Modern Standard Arabic I	5
ARAB:2002	Intermediate Modern Standard Arabic II	5
At least one Arabic course (ARAB) numbered 2000 or above taught in Arabic		3

Courses Taught in English

Students may apply 3 s.h. of the following approved coursework taught in English toward the minor.

Course #	Title	Hours
ARAB:2006	Transnational Solidarities	3
ARAB:2010	The Modern Arabic Short Story	3
ARAB:2012	Modern Palestinian Literature and Culture	3
ARAB:2060	Arab-American Immigration: Society, Identity, and Culture	3
ARAB:3005	Culture and Resistance: The Modern Middle East	3
Related elective (program approval required)		3

Academic Plans

Sample Plan of Study

Sample plans represent one way to complete a program of study. Actual course selection and sequence will vary and should be discussed with an academic advisor. For additional sample plans, see MyUI.

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Course	Title	Hours
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Any Semester		
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A maximum of 3 s.h. may be taken in approved coursework taught in English. [a]		
	Hours	**0**
First Year		
Fall		
ARAB:1001	Elementary Modern Standard Arabic I [b, c]	5
	Hours	**5**
Spring		
ARAB:1002	Elementary Modern Standard Arabic II [b, c]	5
	Hours	**5**
Second Year		
Fall		
ARAB:2001	Intermediate Modern Standard Arabic I [b]	5
	Hours	**5**
Spring		
ARAB:2002	Intermediate Modern Standard Arabic II [b]	5
	Hours	**5**
Third Year		
Fall		
Minor Elective: Arabic course (ARAB) numbered 2000 or above taught in Arabic [d]		3
	Hours	**3**
Spring		
Minor Elective: Arabic course (ARAB) numbered 2000 or above (may be taught in Arabic or English) [d]		3
	Hours	**3**
	Total Hours	**26**

a See General Catalog for approved courses.
b Language level placement will be determined by placement exam score and/or oral interview. Students who place into the 5th semester level of the language will begin coursework at that level and will not be required to take semesters 1-4 of the language.
c This course is a prerequisite for the required minor courses.
d Work with academic advisor to select appropriate course.