

Brooks College of Interdisciplinary Studies
Middle East Studies Minor

Name: _____ Date: _____ Advisor: _____

*Students minoring in Middle East Studies must complete 18-19 credit hours of course work. This includes seven credits of core courses and at least 12 credits of electives. Students entering the university competent in Arabic at the 102-level or higher will take one additional elective course in consultation with the program coordinator, for a total of 18 credits. Students have the option to fulfill some electives through study abroad in consultation with the program coordinator. Please note that study abroad is encouraged, but not required. (*Fulfills Gen. Ed. Requirement)*

CORE COURSES (7 credits needed, including four credits of language). ARA 101 is not included for minor requirements, but is a prerequisite for the minor.

___ ARA 102*-Beginning Arabic II: Language and Culture (4 cr.) (prereq. ARA 101 w/ C or better)

___ MES 201*-Introduction to the Middle East (3 cr.)

ELECTIVE COURSES (12 credits needed, all classes are 3 credits unless noted) Students with second-semester or higher competence in Hebrew, Persian or Turkish, may substitute that for the Arabic requirement but will likewise take an extra elective course from the list.

___ ARA 202: Intermediate Arabic II: Language and Culture (prereq. ARA 201 w/ C or better)

___ ARA/MES 330 Arab Identity in Literature and Culture (Jr. standing)

___ ANT 330-Anthropology of Selected World Areas

___ ANT 350-Archaeology of the Mid-East (prereq. ANT 215, or 220 or MES 201)

___ HST 211*-History of Islamic Civilization

___ HST 337-The Age of Islamic Empire

___ HST 338-Modern Middle East

___ HST 339-Modern Iran

___ MES 202*-Arab Americans

___ MES 333-Study Abroad – MES (permit, 1-6 credits)

___ MES 350-Islam: Scripture and Ritual

___ MES 370*-Contemporary Issues in the Middle East: The Model Arab League (Jr. standing)

___ MES 380-Special Topics in Middle East Studies

___ MES 399-Independent Studies (1-3 cr.) (No more than 3 credits)

___ PLS 320-Comparative Politics of the Middle East

TOTAL NUMBER OF CREDITS _____

This form is a planning tool and does not constitute an agreement regarding program requirements. It is imperative that you meet with an academic advisor early in your studies.

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