MIDDLE EAST STUDIES (MEST) MAJOR 2014-15
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Students may elect a combined major in Middle East Studies together with a departmental major in anthropology, communication, economics, French, geography, history, international studies, journalism, political science, sociology, or Spanish. New students entering the program are required to notify the director of studies of their intention to participate.

Required courses:
- MEST 2013 Intro to Middle East Studies
- MEST 4003 Middle East Studies Colloquium

Language:
Six (6) hours of Arabic language beyond ARAB 2016 Intensive Arabic II.

Electives:
At least eighteen (18) hours in additional MEST-approved courses. Courses must come from at least two departments, with at least nine (9) hours in one department.

- ANTH 3123 The Anthropology of Religion
- ANTH 3033 Egyptology
- ANTH 4123 Ancient Middle East
- ANTH 4256 Archeological Field Session
- ANTH 4513 African Religions: Gods, Witches, Ancestors
- ANTH 4533 Middle East Cultures
- ANTH 4913 Topics of the Middle East
- GEOG 2003 World Regional Geography
- GEOG 4033 Geography of the Middle East
- GEOG 410V Special problems in Geography (Middle East/North Africa focus)
- HIST 3033 Islamic Civilization
- HIST 3043 History of the Modern Middle East
- HIST 3473 Palestine and Israel in Modern Times
- HIST 3923H Honors Colloquium (approved selected topics)
- HIST 4353 Middle East, 600-1250
- HIST 4373 Mongol & Mamluk Middle East 1250-1520
- HIST 4393 Early Modern Islamic Empires, 1300-1750
- HIST 4413 New Women in the Middle East
- HIST 4433 Social and Cultural History of the Modern Middle East
- HUMN 2213 Intro to World Religions
- HUMN 425V Colloquium (approved selected topics)
- MEST 2003 Islam in History, Practice, and Experience
- MEST 4003/MEST 4003H Middle East Studies Colloquium (must be a different topic than required colloquium above)
- PLSC 3523 Politics of the Middle East
- PLSC 3813 International Law
- PLSC 4593 Islam and Politics
- PLSC 4843 The Middle East in World Affairs
- WLIT 3983 Special Studies (approved selected topics)