

# Minor Map for Middle East Studies (MEST-M) 2020-21 through 2024-25 Catalog Years



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Transfer Coursework Restriction: At least 50% of a student's Arts and Sciences (ARSC) major or minor must be taken at the University of Arkansas.

Category	Degree Requirements	Curriculum Notes
<b>ARABIC LANGUAGE</b>  <b>6 hrs</b>	<b>Choose 1 sequence:</b> ____ ARAB 10106, Intensive Arabic I (Fall)  <b>Or:</b> ____ ARAB 10103, Elementary Arabic I (Spring) <b>and</b> ____ ARAB 10203, Elementary Arabic II (Fall)	
<b>MIDDLE EAST STUDIES CORE</b>	____ <b>MEST 20103</b> , Introduction to Middle East Studies (Fall) ____ <b>MEST 40003</b> , Middle East Studies Colloquium (Spring)	
<b>MIDDLE EAST STUDIES ELECTIVES</b>  <b>6 hrs</b>	<b>Take 6 hrs: *</b> ____ ANTH 39003, Topics in Anthropology (Topic must be approved by department) ____ ANTH 392H3, Topics in Anthropology (Topic must be approved by department) ____ ANTH 45303, Middle East Cultures (Spring., May be repeated for up to 9 hrs of degree credit) ____ ANTH 49103, Topics of the Middle East (Irregular. May be repeated for up to 9 hrs of degree credit)  ____ ARAB 40203, Advanced Arabic I ____ ARAB 40303, Advanced Arabic II ____ ARAB 40503, Arabic Readings ____ ARAB 41103, Modern Arabic Literature ____ ARAB 42103, Arab Culture and Civilization ____ ARAB 4700V, Special Topics  ____ ENGL 35203, The Quran as Literature ____ ENGL 35803, Topics in Arab American Literature and Culture ____ ENGL 37103, Literature of Spain ____ ENGL 39803, Special Studies (Topic must be approved by department) ____ ENGL 45803, Studies in Arab American Literature and Culture	<p>*Not all classes in this list may appear in older catalog, but students in any catalog may take classes from this list.</p> <p>The following classes were listed in the catalog through 2023, and if students took them before Fall 2024, they can count in the minor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ARAB 4016 Immersive Arabic IV</li> <li>• MEST 4003 Middle East Studies Colloquium</li> </ul> <p>The following classes were listed in the catalog through 2019, and if students took them before Fall 2020, they can count in the minor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ANTH 3033, Egyptology</li> <li>• ANTH 4123, Ancient Middle East</li> </ul> <p>The following classes were listed in the catalog through 2022, and if students took them before Fall 2023, they can count in the minor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ANTH 3123, Anthropology of Religion</li> <li>• ANTH 4256, Archeological Field Session</li> <li>• ANTH 4513, African Religions: Gods, Witches, Ancestors</li> <li>• GEOS 2003, World Regional Geography</li> <li>• HUMN 2213, Introduction to World Religions</li> <li>• HUMN 425V, Colloquium (Approved selected topics)</li> <li>• PLSC 3813, International Law</li> </ul>

	<p>___ GEOS 40403, Geography of the Middle East (Fall. Pre-req: Junior Standing)</p> <p>___ GEOS 4100V, Special Problems in Geosciences (Topic must be approved by department)</p> <p>___ HIST 30303, Islamic Civilization (Irregular)</p> <p>___ HIST 30403, History of the Modern Middle East (Irregular)</p> <p>___ HIST 34703, Palestine and Israel in Modern Times (Irregular)</p> <p>___ HIST 392H3, Honors Colloquium (Topic must be approved by department)</p> <p>___ HIST 3980V, Special Topics (Topic must be approved by department)</p> <p>___ HIST 43303, Modern Islamic Thought</p> <p>___ HIST 43603, The Middle East Since 1914</p> <p>___ HIST 43903, Early Modern Islamic Empires, 1300-1750 (Spring, even years)</p> <p>___ HIST 44103, New Women in the Middle East (Irregular)</p> <p>___ HIST 44303, Social and Cultural History of the Modern Middle East (Irregular)</p> <p>___ HIST 48903, History Seminar (Topic must be approved by department)</p> <p>___ MEST 20003, Introduction to Islam (Irregular)</p> <p>___ MEST 30003, Islam: Beliefs and Practices</p> <p>___ MEST 3400V, Independent Study</p> <p>___ MEST 399HV, Honors Thesis</p> <p>___ MEST 41003, Special Topics in Middle East Studies</p> <p>___ MEST any (any additional course with the MEST prefix, with the exception of MEST 40003, can count towards this requirement)</p> <p>___ PLSC 35203, Politics of the Middle East (Fall)</p> <p>___ PLSC 3900V, Special Topics (Topic must be approved by department)</p> <p>___ PLSC 4000V, Special Topics (Topic must be approved by department)</p> <p>___ PLSC 45203, Introduction to Gender and Politics in the Middle East</p> <p>___ PLSC 45903, Islam and Politics (Fall)</p> <p>___ PLSC 46303, Citizenship in the Middle East</p> <p>___ PLSC 48403, The Middle East in World Affairs (Spring)</p>	
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