

Dependent Major Map for Middle East Studies (MESTDEPMJ) 2016-17 through 2023-24 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
ARABIC LANGUAGE 6 hrs	Choose 1 sequence: ___ ARAB 10106, Intensive Arabic I (Fall) Or: ___ ARAB 10103, Elementary Arabic I (Spring) and ___ ARAB 10203, Elementary Arabic II (Fall)	
MIDDLE EAST STUDIES CORE 6 hrs	___ MEST 20103 , Introduction to Middle East Studies (Fall) ___ MEST 40003 , Middle East Studies Colloquium (Spring)	
MIDDLE EAST STUDIES ELECTIVES 12 hrs	Take 12 hrs of courses from below with the following criteria: <input type="checkbox"/> No more than 6 hrs from the same department <input type="checkbox"/> at least 3 hrs taken at the 30000 level or higher Take 12 hrs:* ___ 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)	<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 major:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ARAB 4016 Immersive Arabic IV • MEST 4003 Middle East Studies Colloquium <p>The following classes were listed in the catalog through 2019, and if students took them before Fall 2020, they can count in the major:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ANTH 3033, Egyptology • ANTH 4123, Ancient Middle East <p>The following classes were listed in the catalog through 2022, and if students took them before Fall 2023, they can count in the major:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ANTH 3123, Anthropology of Religion • ANTH 4256, Archeological Field Session • ANTH 4513, African Religions: Gods, Witches, Ancestors • GEOS 2003, World Regional Geography • HUMN 2213, Introduction to World Religions • HUMN 425V, Colloquium (Approved selected topics) • PLSC 3813, International Law

	<p>___ ENGL 45803, Studies in Arab American Literature and Culture</p> <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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