MIDDLE EAST STUDIES, MINOR

Liberal Arts (Code 355-400)

Advisor: S. Fink (Philosophy and Religious Studies).

This minor examines issues in the Middle East from a variety of disciplinary perspectives and includes study of a Middle East language as an option.

Twenty-four semester credits of which students can take no more than three courses with a single prefix, and a minimum of nine credits at the 300- or 400-level.

The Background.
Minimum two courses from the following:

- FLG 101 Beginning Foreign Language I (must be in Arabic, Turkish, Persian, or Modern Hebrew)
- FLG 102 Beginning Foreign Language II (must be in Arabic, Turkish, Persian, or Modern Hebrew)
- RELS 100 Introduction to the Religions of the World
- RELS 307 Judaism
- RELS 309 Islam
- HIST 292 Origins of Current World Conflicts
- HIST 302 Ancient Near Eastern Civilizations
- HIST 382 Imperialism Since 1800
- POLS 334 International Political Economy

The Middle East.
Minimum three courses from the following:

- GEOG 319 Geography of the Middle East and North Africa
- POLS 321 Politics of the Middle East
- POLS 336 Arab-Israeli Conflict
- HIST 366 History of Middle East Since Muhammad
- HIST/WGSS 385 The History of Middle Eastern Muslim Women
- SOC 304 Sociology of the Middle East

Students may substitute an independent study, special topics, or directed studies course with a focus on the Middle East for a course from either category with consent of the minor advisor.

NOTE 1: ENGL 330 may be substituted for any course in The Middle East category if the topic is Middle Eastern.

NOTE 2: Students are encouraged to complete a study abroad program in a Middle Eastern country and will be able to transfer credits from that program into the minor.