

ARABIC MINOR

Banner Code: ARBC

Academic Advising

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The minor has an emphasis on developing strong language skills: oral communication and the reading of texts. Students are also introduced to important works of Arabic literature and culture. A minor in Arabic can easily and effectively be combined with majors in other disciplines. It is especially valuable in combination with global affairs, international relations, security, journalism, philosophy, and religion.

Admissions & Policies

Policies

Eight credits of coursework must be unique to the minor. Students must complete 18 credits at the 300-level or above with a minimum grade of 2.00 in each course. For policies governing all minors, see AP5.3.4 Minors (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/undergraduate-policies/#ap-5-3-4>).

Requirements

Minor Requirements

Total credits: 18

Students should be aware of the specific policies associated with this program, located on the Admissions & Policies tab.

Core Courses

Code	Title	Credits
Select three courses from the following:		
ARAB 300	Advanced Arabic	9
ARAB 330	Reading and Conversation I	
ARAB 331	Reading and Conversation II (Mason Core) (https://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
ARAB 351	Media Arabic (Spoken and Written) (Mason Core) (https://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
ARAB 355	Advanced Arabic Media: Debates Context	
ARAB 370	Arabic for the Professions	
ARAB 375	Study Abroad - Arab World	
ARAB 390	Translation Methods: Arabic to English	

Total Credits

400-level Language Course

Code	Title	Credits
Select one course from the following:		3
ARAB 420	Survey of Arabic Literature	
ARAB 430	Advanced Arabic Grammar	
ARAB 440	Topics in Arabic Religious Thought and Texts (Mason Core) (https://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	

Total Credits 3

Electives

Additional ARAB Course

Code	Title	Credits
Select one additional ARAB course (3 credits) from any 300 or 400-level course taught in Arabic (https://catalog.gmu.edu/courses/arab/)		3

Total Credits 3

English

Code	Title	Credits
Select one course in English from the following:		3
ARAB 325	Major Arab Writers/Stories (Mason Core) (https://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
ARAB 470	Special Topics in Modern Arabic Studies	
ARTH 320	Art of the Islamic World (Mason Core) (https://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
GOVT 332	Politics of the Middle East and North Africa	
GOVT 345	Islam and Politics	
HIST 461	Arab-Israeli Conflict	
HIST 462	Women in Islamic Society (Mason Core) (https://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
HIST 465	The Middle East in the 20th Century	
RELI 338	Qur'an and Hadith (Mason Core) (https://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	
RELI 358	Islamic Thought (Mason Core) (https://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	

Total Credits 3