## MINOR IN ARABIC STUDIES

### Curriculum Requirements

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Or the equivalent

Select a minimum of three additional credit hours in any ARB course at the 200 level.

Select a minimum of three credit hours in one of the following:

1. ARB 310 Topics in Arabic Literature and Culture in Translation  
2. ARB 312 Arab Cultures: A Cultural History of the Arab World  
3. ARB 315 Topics in Gender and Sexuality in Translation  
4. ARB 410 Language and Power in the Arab World

Select a minimum of three credit hours, outside of ARB courses, in humanities or social science courses focused on the Middle East, North Africa, Islam, or the Arab world.

1. REL 271 Introduction to Islam  
2. ARH 260 Islamic Art  
3. INS 352 Panoramic View of the Middle East  
4. GEG 382 Political Geography of the Middle East  
5. POL 387 Politics of the Middle East

Or another relevant course as approved by the program director

Select a minimum of three additional credit hours from either an ARB course in the 200 level or above or any approved course focused on the Middle East, North Africa, Islam, or the Arab world

Total Credit Hours 15

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1. Arabic Studies courses are taught in English.
2. A minor in Arabic Studies consists of a minimum of 15 credit hours, passed with a "C" or higher.
3. Up to 9 credit hours taken abroad in an Arabic-speaking country are eligible to fulfill the requirements for the minor. Up to 6 transfer credit hours from an accredited university or 4-year college in another region of the world are eligible to fulfill the requirements for the minor. In all cases, whether the credit hours are from a UM-affiliated study abroad program or transfer credit hours from any institution, the credit hours’ UM equivalency, if any, will be determined by the UM Arabic Studies Program Director; ARB 310 must be taken within the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures at UM; and the student must fulfill the distribution of requirements and other criteria stipulated above.
4. If a student has studied Modern Standard Arabic (fusha) in another setting (e.g., a high school foreign language program or schooling in an Arab country), she/he may request a proficiency evaluation from the Program Director. If the student’s Modern Standard Arabic is equivalent to, or beyond, the Intermediate level, the student may be exempted from the requirement to earn 3 credit hours in a 200-level Arabic language course; however, the student will still be required to take at least 9 credit hours of ARB courses and a total of 15 credit hours, as stipulated above, to complete the minor.