

# MINOR IN ARABIC STUDIES

## Curriculum Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Select a minimum of three credit hours in a 200 level Arabic language course:		3
ARB 201	Intermediate Arabic I	
ARB 202	Intermediate Arabic II	
ARB 203 or ARB 207	Advanced Arabic Arabic for Heritage Learners	
ARB 204 or ARB 208	Arabic 204: Advanced Arabic II Arabic for Heritage Learners II	
Or the equivalent		
Select a minimum of three additional credit hours in any ARB course at the 200 level.		3
Select a minimum of three credit hours in one of the following: <sup>1</sup>		3
ARB 310	Topics in Arabic Literature and Culture in Translation	
ARB 312	Arab Cultures: A Cultural History of the Arab World	
ARB 315	Topics in Gender and Sexuality in Translation	
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.		3
REL 271	Introduction to Islam	
ARH 260	Islamic Art	
INS 352	Panoramic View of the Middle East	
GEG 382	Political Geography of the Middle East	
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		3
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

<sup>1</sup> Arabic Studies courses are taught in English.

\* A minor in Arabic Studies consists of a minimum of 15 credit hours, passed with a "C" or higher.

\*\* 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.

\*\*\* 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.