

# ARABIC AND ISLAMIC CIVILIZATIONS (BA)

The Arabic and Islamic Studies major requires a minimum of 24 credits of Arabic (ARAB) and Arabic and Islamic Studies (ARIS) courses, plus a minimum of 12 credits of related courses from programs other than Arabic and Islamic Studies. A minimum of 12 major credits must consist of Arabic and Islamic Studies courses taken in residence. Only six may be transfer credits. AP credits may not be used toward the major.

## Requirements

Prerequisite: Four semesters of formal Arabic at the 1000 level, or equivalent proficiency. Proficiency must be approved by major advisor. Arabic and Islamic Studies majors must complete a minimum of 12 courses, for a total of 36 credits, distributed as follows:

Students must take 24 credits (eight courses) of ARAB or ARIS courses according to the following guidelines:

Course	Title	Credits
ARIS 3000	Classical Arabic (or comparable proficiency in Classical Arabic with approval of the major advisor)	3
Select two Language courses from the following:		6
ARAB 2170	Levantine Arabic	
ARAB 3102	Media Arabic	
ARAB 3212	Arabic Composition and Conversation	
ARIS 3000	Classical Arabic	
Select two Literature courses from the following:		6
ARAB 3550W	Classical Arabic Literature	
ARAB 3551	Arabic Travel Narratives	
ARAB 3559	Arabic Poetry and Poetics	
ARAB 3570	Modern Arabic Literature	
Select two Culture courses from the following:		6
ARAB 2751	Arabic Folk Tales and Mirrors for Princes	
ARAB 3102	Media Arabic	
ARAB 3751	Al-Andalus: Music, Literature, and Science in Muslim Spain	
ARAB 3771	Cinema in the Middle East and North Africa	
ARAB 3772	Stereotypes of Arabs and Muslims	
ARAB 3550W	Classical Arabic Literature	3
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>24</b>

Note: Special Topics, Foreign Study and Independent Study courses may fit, depending on topic, any of the above groups, with advisor approval. Four courses or 12 additional related credits are required at the 2000-level or above from programs other than Arabic and Islamic Studies. Related courses may belong to many subject areas and must always be approved by the advisor. These may include:

- Courses in any modern or classical language.
- Any English, Linguistics, or Philosophy course.
- Any Communication Sciences course that is directly related to second language acquisition or the Arab World.

- Any History, Political Science, Art History, Anthropology, Sociology, Economics, or Geography course that deals with Islamic culture or the Arab world.

Enrollment in a study abroad program in an Arabic-speaking country is recommended but not mandatory for Arabic and Islamic Studies majors. With advisor's advanced consent, any of the above courses may be replaced by an ARAB 3293 Foreign Study or ARIS 3293 Foreign Study course from study abroad programs. Up to 12 credits taken in study abroad programs may count toward the major. Students can enroll in either University of Connecticut sponsored or non-University of Connecticut sponsored programs. In either case, students must consult with the advisor to determine which courses will receive credit.

To satisfy the Information Literacy Competency and Writing in the Major requirements, all students must take ARAB 3550W Classical Arabic Literature.

A minor in Arabic and Islamic Studies is described in the "Minors" section.

## University General Education Requirements

Every student must meet a set of core requirements to earn a baccalaureate degree, in addition to those required by the student's major course of study and other requirements set by the student's school or college. For more information about these requirements, please see General Education Requirements (<https://catalog.uconn.edu/undergraduate/gen-ed-requirements/>).

## College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Degree Requirements

Students must meet a set of requirements established by the college in addition to the University's General Education requirements. For more information, see the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (<https://catalog.uconn.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts-sciences/#requirementstext>) section of this catalog.