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# Middle East Studies Curriculum Map 2013-2014

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This map displays degree requirements, courses, faculty information, clubs & organizations, and Library resources associated with American Studies across the seven Claremont Colleges (7Cs) for the 2013-14 academic year. It was compiled using public information drawn from Colleges websites, course schedules and catalogs, and the Claremont Colleges Library website. **These maps should be understood as a snapshot of the consortium in time, and not representative of current information beyond 2013-14.**

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### Faculty

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Research Interests: Contemporary Arabic Literatures; Postcolonial Literatures; Nineteenth-Century Arabic Literature; Nationalism and Literature; Urban Studies; Cultural Studies

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**Edward Halley**  
History  
Research Interests: American Foreign Policy; International Strategic Studies; Libya and Iraq; Middle East, Russia, Terrorism, Arms Reduction, U.S. Asia Relations, War/Strategy, China, Congress, Defense, Human Rights, Nuclear Weapons, Pacific Rim, Politics of Oil, Presidency

**Zayn Kassam**

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History  
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Middle East and North Africa Studies Program  
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Religious Studies  
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### Degree Requirements

**Core Requirements**

- ARBC 044 CH - Continuing Intermediate Arabic
- GOVT 070 CH - Introduction to International Politics
- ECON 140 CH - The World Economy
- HIST 002 CH - The Middle East: From Muhammad to the Mongols
- HIST 006 CH - The Middle East: From the Ottomans to the Present
- Senior Seminar in Middle East Studies
- Electives Requirement of Four Courses
- Foreign Language Competency
- Senior Thesis in Middle East Studies

**Middle East Studies Major**

- Seven courses with significant Middle East and North Africa Studies content. Courses should be chosen in consultation with a MENA Studies faculty member. At least three of the following five disciplinary areas must be represented: Anthropology, History, Literature and the Arts, Politics, Religious Studies.
- Two years of study in Modern Standard Arabic, or the equivalent are required; that is, competency in Arabic 44.
- A Senior Seminar (190) must be taken during fall semester senior year in a discipline chosen in consultation with the major advisor (e.g., Anthropology, History, Politics, Religious Studies).
- For the Senior Thesis (191), completed during spring semester senior year, the student will select at least one reader of the two required from among Middle East Studies faculty.

**Middle East and North Africa Studies Minor**

- A Middle East and North Africa Studies minor consists of six courses with significant MENA Studies content, chosen from a minimum of two disciplinary fields in consultation with a MENA Studies faculty advisor. Only one language course may be counted toward the MENA Studies minor, and that course must be second-semester Modern Standard Arabic or higher (i.e., Arabic 102 or higher).

**Middle Eastern Studies Major**

- Three semesters of Arabic
- Four electives numbered 100 and above: Two electives in a single discipline drawn from Anthropology, History, Politics, or Religious Studies; two additional electives to be chosen from courses listed in the Middle Eastern Studies courses in consultation with Middle Eastern Studies advisor

**Middle Eastern Studies Minor**

- Three core courses, one each to be selected from three of the following four disciplines
- RLST 021 CH - Jewish Civilization
- RLST 037 CH - History of World Christianity
- RLST 128 PO - The Religion of Islam
- RLST 129 CH - Formative Judaism
- RLST 133 PO - Modern Judaism
- RLST 135 CH - Jerusalem: The Holy City
- RLST 148 PO - Sufism
- RLST 149 PO - Islamic Thought
- RLST 163 CH - Women and Gender in Jewish Tradition
- RLST 164 PO - Engendering and Experience: Women in Islamic Traditions
- PHIL 084 FZ - Islamic Philosophy

**Electives**

- HIST 011 PO - Medieval Mediterranean
- HIST 042 PO - Worlds of Islam
- HIST 043 PO - Middle East and North Africa Since 1500
- HIST 100AKPO - Gunpowder Empires
- HIST 100WCPO - Earliest Christian Views of Islam
- HIST 100WRPO - Medieval Spain
- HIST 124 PO - The U.S. in the Middle East
- HIST 140 PO - Empire in the Middle East and North Africa
- HIST 141 PO - Environmental History of the Middle East and North Africa
- ANTR 105 PO - Methods in Anthropological Inquiry
- HIST 190 PO - Senior Seminar
- POLI 190B PO - Senior Seminar in Comparative and International Politics
- RLST 180 PO - Interpreting Religious Worlds
- Senior seminar (190) in the discipline of your thesis in consultation with advisor
- Senior thesis (191)
- Two integrative courses

**Politics**

- ANTR 025 SC - Anthropology of the Middle East
- ANTR 087SC - Contemporary Issues: Gender and Islam
- ANTR 130 PO - Sexual Politics of the Modern Middle East
- HIST 011 PO - Medieval Mediterranean
- HIST 042 PO - Worlds of Islam
- HIST 043 PO - Middle East and North Africa Since 1500
- HIST 100AKPO - Gunpowder Empires
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- RLST 135 CH - Jerusalem: The Holy City
- RLST 148 PO - Sufism
- RLST 149 PO - Islamic Thought
- RLST 163 CH - Women and Gender in Jewish Tradition
- RLST 164 PO - Engendering and Experience: Women in Islamic Traditions
- PHIL 084 FZ - Islamic Philosophy

**Religious Studies**

- Three electives numbered 100 or higher, from courses listed in Middle Eastern Studies courses, in consultation with a Middle Eastern Studies advisor. One of these courses must increase breadth of coverage, while the other two must be selected for disciplinary depth.
- Through the second semester of college-level instruction in Arabic, or another language of reference, such as Persian, Turkish, Hebrew, Polish, Urdu/Hindi, Gujarati, Tamil, Armenian, and others, under consultation with the advisor.

**Library Resources**

- Adam Rosenkrantz, History & Religious Studies Liaison
- Natalie Tagge, Anthropology Liaison
- Arabic Language & Literature Databases
- Middle East Studies guide

### Claremont Colleges Library: 7Cs Arabic & Middle East Studies Curriculum, 2013-14

### Courses

**Complete course listing**

- REL 401A Arabic I
- REL 401B Arabic II
- REL 410 Islamic Ethics
- REL 410 CG - The Qur'an and Its Interpreters
- REL 420 History of Islamic Civilization & Early Medieval Period
- REL 425 Survey of Islamic Theology, Philosophy and Mysticism
- REL 432 CG - Contemptus Mundi
- REL 436 CG - Islamic Law and Legal Theory

**Courses by term**

- Fall 2013
  - RELIGION 337TH - Feminist Ethics in North America: Christianity, Judaism, Islam, Buddhism and Wicca
  - RELIGION 48715 - Perceptions of Islam: The Religion and the History
- Spring 2014
  - REL 432 CG - Contemptus Mundi
  - RELIGION 45815 - Feminism and Quranic Studies
  - RELIGION 46015 - Classical Islamic Literature and the Qur'an
  - RELIGION 480 - Religion and Power Politics in the Middle East

**Arabic**

- ARBC 001: Introductory Arabic
- ARBC 002: Continuing Introductory Arabic
- ARBC 033: Intermediate Arabic
- ARBC 044: Continuing Intermediate Arabic
- ARBC 110: Advanced Arabic: Modern Arabic Poetry in Translation
- ARBC 166: Advanced Arabic: Readings in Modern Arab Culture and Thought
- ARBC 190 CH - Trends and Movements in Modern Middle East
- ARBC 120 CH - Arabic Grammar, Morphology, and Syntax (in Arabic)

**French**

- FREN 132 CH - North African Literature after Independence
- FREN 133 CH - The Bear Question in Films and Texts
- FREN 137 CH - The Algerian War and the French Intellectuals

**Government**

- GOVT 070 CH - Introduction to International Relations
- GOVT 135 CH - Comparative Politics of the Middle East
- GOVT 151 CH - The United States, Israel, and the Arabs

**History**

- HIST 005 CH - The Middle East: From Muhammad to the Mongols
- HIST 006 CH - The Middle East: From the Ottomans to the Present
- HIST 130 CH - Ottoman Power and Urban History
- HIST 198 CH - Islamic World: Travel/Encounter

**Middle Eastern Studies**

- An Introduction to Modern Arab Society - ARBC 100
- The Arabic Novel in Translation - ARBC 115
- Readings in Modern Arabic Poetry - ARBC 120
- Readings in Modern Arabic Prose - ARBC 130

**Religious Studies**

- RLST 129 CH - Formative Judaism
- RLST 135 CH - Jerusalem: The Holy City
- RLST 166B CH - Religion, Politics, and Global Violence

**Arabic**

- ARBC001 CH Introductory Arabic
- ARBC033 CH Intermediate Arabic
- ARBC166 CH Modern Arab Culture & Thought

**French**

- FREN137 CH Algerian War & Fr Intellectuals

**Government**

- GOVT151 CH The US, Israel, and the Arabs

**History**

- HIST055 CH Middle East: Muhammad-Mongols
- HIST131C CH Crusading Mortals

**Religious Studies**

- RLST135 CH Jerusalem: The Holy City
- RLST163 CH Women & Gender in Jewish Trad

**Arabic**

- ARBC002 CH Continuing Introductory Arabic
- ARBC044 CH Continuing Intermediate Arabic
- ARBC130 CH Modern Arabic: Prose & Poetry

**French**

- FREN132 CH North African Lit after Independ

**Government**

- GOVT148B CH-01 Comparing Social Movements
- GOVT151C CH-01 Nations, Nationalism, Mid-East

**History**

- HIST055 CH-01 Middle East: Ottomans to Present

**Religious Studies**

- RLST055 CH-01 Visual Judaism
- RLST129 CH-01 Formative Judaism
- RLST166B CH-01 Relig, Politics & Global Violence

**History**

- HIST 133 AA - Introduction to Asian American History, 1850-Present
- HIST 134 FZ - Empire and Sexuality
- IIS 128 FZ The War on Terror
- IIS 146 FZ - International Relations of the Middle East

**Philosophy**

- PHIL 084 FZ - Islamic Philosophy

**Philosophy**

- PHIL084 FZ Islamic Philosophy

**International Studies**

- IIS 128 FZ The War on Terror

**Anthropology**

- ANTH 130 PO - Sexuality and Sexual Politics of the Middle East
- ANTH 156 PO - Comparative Muslim Societies in Asia

**Dance**

- DANC 150E PO - Cultural Styles: Middle Eastern Dance

**History**

- HIST 041 AF - History of Africa from 1800 to the Present
- HIST 042 PO - Worlds of Islam
- HIST 043 PO - The Middle East and North Africa Since 1500
- HIST 100AK PO - Gunpowder Empires: Ottomans, Safavids, and Mughals
- HIST 100WC PO - Early Christian Views of Islam
- HIST 100WR PO - Medieval Spain
- HIST 110WW PO - Holy War
- HIST 140 PO - Empire in the Middle East and North Africa
- HIST 141 PO - Environmental History of the Middle East and North Africa

**Politics**

- POLI 005 PO - Comparative Politics
- POLI 007 PO - United States Foreign Policy
- POLI 008 PO - Introduction to International Relations
- POLI 178 PO - Political Economy of Development

**Religious Studies**

- RLST 128 PO - The Religion of Islam
- RLST 148 PO - Sufism
- RLST 149 PO - Islamic Thought
- RLST 164 PO - Engendering and Experience: Women in Islamic Traditions

**History**

- HIST100AKPO Gunpowder Empires

**Politics**

- POLI005 PO Intro to Comparative Politics
- POLI007 PO United States Foreign Policy
- POLI008 PO Intro to International Relations
- POLI162 PO Comparative Politics of Africa

**Religious Studies**

- RLST164 PO Women in Islamic Traditions

**Dance**

- DANC135 PO-01 Traditions of World Dance

**History**

- HIST011 PO-01 Medieval Mediterranean
- HIST100WCPO-01 Early Christian Views of Islam

**Middle Eastern Studies**

- HES 161 PO-04 Middle Eastern Studies Thesis

**Politics**

- POLI007 PO-01 United States Foreign Policy
- POLI008 PO-01 Intro to International Relations
- POLI178 PO-01 Political Economy of Development

**Religious Studies**

- RLST128 PO-01 The Religion of Islam
- RLST157 PO-01 Post-Holocaust Philosophy
- RLST166A PO-01 Divine Body: Rel and Environment

**Anthropology**

- ANTH 025 SC - Anthropology of the Middle East
- ANTH 087 SC - Contemporary Issues in Gender and Islam
- ANTH 171 SC - Seminar in Sexuality and Religion
- ANTH 185 SC - Topics in Anthropology of the Middle East/North Africa

**History**

- HIST 166 SC - Political and Cultural Criticism in the U.S

**Philosophy**

- PHIL 154 SC - Philosophy of Social Sciences

**Politics**

- POLI 100 SC - Introduction to International Relations
- POLI 110 SC - Introduction to Comparative Politics
- POLI 113 SC - Politics and Society in the Contemporary Middle East

**Religious Studies**

- RLST 061 SC - New Testament and Christian Origins
- RLST 090 SC - Early Christian Bodies
- RLST 091 SC - Heretics, Deviants, and "Others" in Early Christianity
- RLST 092 SC - Varieties of Early Christianity

**History**

- HIST166 SC Political & Cultural Criticism

**Politics**

- POLI110 SC Intro to Comparative Politics

**Religious Studies**

- RLST060 SC Feminist Interpretations of Bible
- RLST092 SC Varieties of Early Christianity

**Spring 2014**

- History
  - HST113 SC Venice and the Islamic East
  - HST134 SC France/Algeria
- Politics
  - POLI100 SC Intro to International Relations