Spring 2015 Courses

**Persian:**

**MDES 150: Persian II**  
MTWTh  
Peyman Nojoumian

**MDES 220: Persian III**  
MTWTh  
Peyman Nojoumian

**MDES 250: Persian IV**  
MTWTh  
Peyman Nojoumian

**Advanced Persian II**  
MTWTh  
Peyman Nojoumian

**Iranian Studies Minor:**

**ARLT 100g: Kings and Heroes, Villains and Saints, in Medieval Persian Literature**  
Hani Khafipour  
Satisfies Category V general education requirement.

**MDES 312: Iran in the Middle Ages**  
Hani Khafipour  
Political and dynastic history of Iran from the Arab conquest in the 7th to the 18th century.

**MDES 313: Modern Iran**  
Hani Khafipour  
History and culture of modern Iran from the 19th century to present, through historical and ethnographic approaches to Iran today, richly contextualizing events and people.

*Courses in the Iranian Studies Minor may also count for credit toward a Middle East Studies Major or Minor*
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#### Arabic:

**MDES 122: Arabic I**  
MTWThF  
Suzi Wali

**MDES 152: Arabic II**  
MTWThF  
Jamal Ali

**MDES 222: Arabic III**  
MTWThF  
Lina Kholaki

**MDES 252: Arabic IV**  
MTWThF  
Lina Kholaki

**Advanced Arabic I**  
MTWThF  
Lina Kholaki

**Advanced Arabic II**  
MTWThF  
Jamal Ali

**Media Arabic**  
MTWThF  
Suzi Wali  
Introduction and development of language skills encountered in print

#### Middle East Studies Major or Minor:

**IR 362: International Relations of the Middle East**  
Fayez Hammad  
Introduction to problems and issues in the Middle East today: religio-ethnic rivalries, conflicting nationalisms and ideologies, the Arab-Israeli conflict, Middle East oil.

**IR 363: Middle Eastern Political Economy**  
Laurie Brand  
Historical background and current pressing issues in the domestic and foreign economic relations of people and states in the region.

**IR 463: Islam and Arab Nationalism**  
Laurie Brand  
Historical, sociological and political processes that have shaped the emergence of and relationship between Arab nationalism and political Islam since the early 20th century.

**HIST 480: Seminar in Middle East History: Culture and Politics**  
Ramzi Rouighi  
How do historians study the Middle East these days? This seminar examines important recent trends in the study of the region’s past.

#### HIST 382: The Middle East 500-1500

Ramzi Rouighi  
Major topics, themes, and representative writings in the history and literature of the Arabic and Islamic World during the Medieval period.

*Relevant courses not listed may be taken for major or minor credit with department approval.*