ARABIC - MINOR

College of Arts and Sciences
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Fully Offered
• Kent Campus

Description
The Arabic minor is designed to develop the four Arabic language skills: listening, speaking, reading and writing, along with knowledge of Arab cultures. The minor trains students how to read, interpret and contextualize texts at various levels. Emphasis is placed on oral communication and the reading of texts of different genres. Students are introduced to Arabic history and culture, including famous writers and historical figures. Students are also expected to read authentic texts and write short papers.

Admission Requirements
Admission to a minor is open to students declared in a bachelor’s degree, the A.A.B. or A.A.S. degree or the A.T.S. degree (not Individualized Program major). Students declared only in the A.A. or A.S. degree or the A.T.S. degree in Individualized Program may not declare a minor. Students may not pursue a minor and a major in the same discipline.

Program Learning Outcomes
Graduates of this program will be able to:
1. Communicate orally in modern standard Arabic.
2. Interact with native speakers of Arabic effectively in a daily environment.

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Arabic (ARAB) 40000-Level Elective, choose from the following: 3

ARAB 41096 | INDIVIDUAL INVESTIGATION     |              |
ARAB 41201 | ADVANCED ARABIC I           |              |
ARAB 41202 | ADVANCED ARABIC II          |              |
ARAB 41302 | BUSINESS ARABIC             |              |
ARAB 47240 | BUSINESS AND SPECIAL TEXTS: ARABIC |      |
ARAB 47230 | ADVANCED TRANSLATION PRACTICE: ARABIC |  |

Minor Electives, choose from the following: 6
ARAB 21401 | ARAB CULTURES               |              |
  or MCLS 21420 | WOMEN OF ARAB SOCIETIES  |              |
ARAB 30095 | SPECIAL TOPICS IN ARABIC CULTURE AND LANGUAGE | |
ARAB 37231 | TRANSLATION PRACTICE: ARABIC | |
ARAB 37240 | CONVERSATION FOR BUSINESS AND SPECIAL PURPOSES: ARABIC | |

Arabic (ARAB) Upper-Division Courses (30000 or 40000 level)

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Minimum Total Credit Hours: 21

¹ Prerequisites may be satisfied with demonstrated language proficiency.

Graduation Requirements
Minimum Minor GPA Minimum Overall GPA
2.000 2.000

• Students must complete at least two upper-division (30000 or 40000 level) courses in the minor at Kent State on a graded basis (A-F).
• Minimum 6 credit hours in the minor must be upper-division coursework (30000 and 40000 level).
• Minimum 6 credit hours in the minor must be outside of the course requirements for any major or other minor the student is pursuing.
• Minimum 50 percent of the total credit hours for the minor must be taken at Kent State (in residence).

Program Notes
• Students are strongly encouraged to participate in short-term, semester-long or year-long study programs in an Arabic-speaking country. All efforts will be made to grant appropriate credit for approved courses taken at a university in an Arabic-speaking country.
• Some courses in the Department of Modern and Classical Language Studies are offered on a rotating basis. Students should meet with their faculty advisor for Arabic each term.