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To: Administrative Boards of the College of Arts & Sciences

From: Nadia Yaqub, Chair, Department of Asian Studies

Re: Request for changes to the minor in Arabic

The following courses are being added to the minor:

- GEOG 59, First-Year Seminar: Space, Identity, and Power in the Middle East
- SOCI 60, First-Year Seminar: Sociology of the Islamic World

The following courses are being deleted from the minor because they are being deactivated:

- ASIA 66, First-Year Seminar: The 2011 Revolution through Egyptian Eyes
- ASIA 68, First-Year Seminar: Power of Music/Music of Power: Cultural Politics of 20th-Century Arabic Music
- ARAB 409, War and Peace in Arabic Literature
- ARAB 410, Music, History, and Power
- ARAB 468, Modernity and Its Discontents in Arabic Literature and Culture

The following change is being made to the minor requirement language:

- Explicitly noting that the 1-credit Arabic LAC course, ARAB 308, does not count toward the minor. This is not a change, just a clarification that we hope will help prevent student confusion on this point.

Attached is a revised version of the minor text for the Undergraduate Bulletin.

Nadia Yaqub

ARABIC MINOR

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The Department of Asian Studies offers five major concentrations, nine minors, and instruction in Asian and Middle Eastern languages. In addition to the interdisciplinary minor in Asian studies, there are language-focused minors in Arabic, Chinese, modern Hebrew, Hindi-Urdu, Japanese, Korean, and Persian.

Department Programs

Majors

- Asian Studies Major, B.A. –Interdisciplinary Concentration (<http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/asian-studies-major-ba-general-concentration>)
- Asian Studies Major, B.A. –Arab Cultures Concentration (<http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/asian-studies-major-ba-arab-cultures-concentration>)
- Asian Studies Major, B.A. –Chinese Concentration (<http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/asian-studies-major-ba-chinese-concentration>)
- Asian Studies Major, B.A. –Japanese Concentration (<http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/asian-studies-major-ba-japanese-concentration>)
- Asian Studies Major, B.A. –South Asian Studies Concentration (<http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/asian-studies-major-ba-south-asian-studies-concentration>)

Minors

- Arabic Minor (p. 1)
- Asian Studies Minor (<http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/asian-studies-minor>)
- Chinese Minor (<http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/chinese-minor>)
- Modern Hebrew Minor (<http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/modern-hebrew-minor>)
- Hindi-Urdu Minor (<http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/hindi-urdu-minor>)
- Japanese Minor (<http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/japanese-minor>)
- Korean Minor (<http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/korean-minor>)

- Middle Eastern Languages Minor (<http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/middle-eastern-languages-minor>)
- Persian Minor (<http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/persian-minor>)

Requirements

In addition to the program requirements listed below, students must:

- take at least nine hours of their minor course requirements at UNC–Chapel Hill
- earn a minimum of 12 hours of C or better in the minor (some minors require more)

For more information, please consult the degree requirements section of the catalog (<http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/general-education-curriculum-degree-requirements/#degreerequirementstext>).

The undergraduate minor in Arabic consists of four courses.

Code	Title	Hours
Core Requirements		
Three language courses beyond ARAB 203		9-10
ARAB 204	Intermediate Arabic II	
ARAB 300	Arabic Grammar and Composition	
ARAB 305	Advanced Arabic I	
ARAB 306	Advanced Arabic II	
ARAB 407	Readings in Arabic I	
ARAB 408	Readings in Arabic II	
One course chosen from among the following:		3
ARAB 150	Introduction to Arab Cultures	
ARAB 151	Arabic Literature through the Ages	
ARAB 321	Visions of Emancipation in Modernist Arab Thought	
ARAB 337	Borders and Walls in the Arab World	
ARAB 338	Borders and Walls in the Arab World - Experiential	
ARAB 350	Women and Leadership in the Arab World	
ARAB 407	Readings in Arabic I	
ARAB 408	Readings in Arabic II	
ARAB 434	Modern Arabic Literature in Translation	
ARAB 443	Dissident Voices in Arab Cultures	
ARAB 452	Imagining Palestine	
ARAB 453	Film, Nation, and Identity in the Arab World	
ARAB 462	Global Perspectives on Arab Cultures and Societies	
ARAB/ASIA/RELI 681	Readings in Islamic Literature	
ARTH 351	Crusader Art	
ARTH/ASIA 154	Introduction to Art and Architecture of Islamic Lands (Eighth-16th Centuries CE) ^H	
ARTH/ASIA 251	Art in the Age of the Caliphs	
ARTH/ASIA 458	Islamic Architecture and the Environment	
ARTH/ASIA 561	Arts of the Islamic Mediterranean	
ASIA 64	First-Year Seminar: Arab World Photography	

Removed ARAB 409 and 410 from language requirement, listed above.

ASIA 70	First-Year Seminar: Narrating the Self: Autobiographies of Arab Intellectuals
ASIA/CMPL 359	Literary Diasporas of the Middle East
ASIA/CMPL 442	Postcolonial Literature of the Middle East
ASIA/GEOG 447	Gender, Space, and Place in the Middle East
ASIA/HIST 138	History of Muslim Societies to 1500
ASIA/HIST 139	History of Muslim Societies since 1500
ASIA/HIST 275	History of Iraq
ASIA/HIST 276	The Modern Middle East
ASIA/HIST 277	The Conflict over Israel/Palestine
ASIA/HIST 536	Revolution in the Modern Middle East
ASIA/HIST 537	Women in the Middle East
ASIA/HIST 538	The Middle East and the West
ASIA/JWST 357/ PWAD 362	The Arab-Jews: Culture, Community, and Coexistence
ASIA/JWST/ PWAD 425	Beyond Hostilities: Israeli-Palestinian Exchanges and Partnerships in Film, Literature, and Music
ASIA/PWAD 435	The Cinemas of the Middle East and North Africa
ASIA/RELI 180	Introduction to Islamic Civilization
ASIA/RELI 181	Modern Muslim Societies
ASIA/RELI 581	Sufism
ASIA/RELI 582	Islam and Islamic Art in South Asia
ASIA/RELI 584	The Qur'an as Literature
ASIA/WGST 329	Middle East Women Writers
ASIA/WGST 471	Gender and Sexuality in Middle Eastern Literature
FREN 617	Framing Identities: Franco-Arab Transvisual Transcultural Contexts
GEOG 59	First-Year Seminar: Space, Identity, and Power in the Middle East
GEOG 448	Transnational Geographies of Muslim Societies
RELI 185	Women/Gender/Islam ^H
RELI 480	Modern Muslim Literatures
SOCI 60	First-Year Seminar: Sociology of the Islamic World
SOCI 419	Sociology of the Islamic World

Total Hours 12-13

^H Honors version available. An honors course fulfills the same requirements as the nonhonors version of that course. Enrollment and GPA restrictions may apply.

ARAB 308 does not count toward the minor.

Placement credit (PL) may not be used to meet minor requirements.

See program page here (<http://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study/asian-studies-major-ba-arab-cultures-concentration>) for special opportunities.

Removed ARAB 409, 410, 468; ASIA 66, 68 from the additional course list.