

## Arab and Islamic Studies Certificate

Arab and Islamic Studies Certificate is an undergraduate academic certificate designed to enable students to acquire knowledge skills about Arab and Islamic cultures, economies, societies and politics. The required course work in Arab and Islamic Studies will help students develop cross cultural communication skills and enhance their competitiveness to enter a professional program or occupation related to the Arab and Islamic worlds.

The Arab and Islamic Studies Certificate is open to all majors. It will be administered by the International Studies Program in the College of Arts and Sciences in collaboration with the Contemporary Arab and Muslim Cultural Studies Institute (CAMCSI) at the College of Visual Arts and Design.

To earn an Arab and Islamic Studies Certificate, students must:

1. Students are strongly encouraged to achieve Arabic language proficiency through the level of LANG 1020 by completing course work or through examination.

2. Complete 12 hours at UNT in such areas as

### Culture and Art

- ANTH 3500 - Peoples and Cultures of the Middle East
- AEAH 4825/5825 - Topics in Islamic and/or Middle Eastern Art \*
- AEAH 4805/5805 – Topics in Medieval Art
- AEAH 4824/5824 – Topics in Asian Art
- RTVF 4415/5515 - Topics in Film and Television Genres

### History

- HIST 3450 - Islam and its Empires
- HIST 4240 - Nationalism, Zionism and Islamism in Modern Middle Eastern History
- HIST 4245 - Gender, Race and Class Issues in Middle Eastern History
- HIST 4246 - Imperialism in the Modern Middle East
- HIST 3460 – Modern Middle Eastern History
- HIST 4263 - Decolonization in Asia and Africa

### Politics

- INST 4850 when taught as Women in the Middle East,
- Political Economy and Governments of the Middle East;
- International Relations of the Middle East
- PSCI 4710 - Middle East Politics: Critical Issues
- PSCI 4824 - Islam, Democracy and Human Rights
- PSCI 4825 - Conflict and Peacemaking in the Middle East

Other courses may be used if approved by the Director or Advisor.

3. Acquire Arab and Islamic worlds experience via one or more of the following:

- Study Abroad in an Arab or Islamic country
- Internship in an area related to the Arab and Islamic worlds
- Volunteer Service in Projects related to the Arab and Islamic worlds

4. Participate in 5 international events or activities on campus/or the DFW community related to Arab and Islamic affairs. Include documentation of participating in these activities along with a summary report.

Students successfully completing the above requirements will file for the Arab and Islamic Studies Certificate in the International Studies Program and the certificate will be posted to their UNT transcript. The Contemporary Arab and Muslim Cultural Studies Institute (CAMCSI) will also honor students graduating with the Arab and Islamic Studies Certificate with an annual reception in the Spring Semester.