

Concentration One

Select courses from the literature, history, art, philosophy and religion of Asia, Africa, the Middle East and Latin America 9-18

Concentration Two

Select courses from the literature, history, art, philosophy and religion of Europe 0-9

Approved Elective 0-3
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¹ The two courses selected to complete the Gateway requirement may double-count in General Education Cluster Two.

Latin American Studies

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This interdisciplinary minor helps students to acquire a deeper understanding of Latin America. All Latin American studies minors must attain proficiency in Spanish at or above the intermediate level (SPAN 232 or equivalent). In addition to the language requirement, the Latin American studies minor consists of 18 approved credit hours. Across those 18 credits, students must select courses in at least three different disciplines. Participants in the minor are encouraged to explore the possibility of studying in a Latin American country for a semester or summer session. See <https://caal.jmu.edu/latinamerica/LASminor.htm> for changes in required courses.

Credit Hours

Complete two courses from among the following: 6

ANTH 265. Peoples and Cultures of Latin America and the Caribbean

GHUM 252. Cross Cultural Perspectives: Latin American Cultures

GEOG 337. Geography of Latin America

POSC 350. Latin American Politics

SPAN 308. Latin American Civilization

Complete four additional courses from among the following: 12

ANTH 265. Peoples and Cultures of Latin America and the Caribbean

ANTH 325. Aztec, Maya and Their Predecessors

ANTH/SOCI 352. Birth, Death, Sex: Exploring Demography

ANTH 364. U.S./Latin American Borders

ANTH 391. Study Abroad¹

ANTH 395. Special Topics in Anthropology¹

ANTH/HIST 436. Afro-Latin America

ANTH 490. Special Studies in Anthropology¹

ARTH 484. Art of the Americas

ECON 270. International Economics

ECON 312. Comparative Economic Systems

ECON 365. Economic Development

ECON 372. International Finance and Payments

ECON 490. Special Studies in Economics¹

GEOG 337. Geography of Latin America

GEOG 490. Senior Project II¹

GHUM 252. Cross Cultural Perspectives: Latin American Cultures

HIST 341. Selected Themes in World History¹

HIST 391. Travel Studies Seminar¹

HIST 395. History Seminar¹

HIST 399. Special Studies in History¹

HIST 444. Revolution and Social Change in Latin America

HIST 445. Latin America and the United States

HIST 447. South America

HIST 448. Colonial Gender in Latin America

HIST 489. Selected Topics in World History¹

POSC 350. Latin American Politics

POSC 371. Topics in Comparative Politics¹

POSC 397. The Politics of International Economic Relations

REL 380. Contemporary Theologies

REL 450. Religion and Society

SOCI 391. Study Abroad¹

SOCI 490. Special Studies in Sociology¹

SPAN 300. Spanish Grammar and Communication

SPAN 308. Latin American Civilization

SPAN 320. Spanish Oral and Written Communication

SPAN 330. Business Spanish

SPAN 385. Latin American Drama and Short Stories

SPAN 395. Latin American Poetry of the 20th Century

SPAN 408. Aspects of Latin American Civilization

SPAN 415. The Spanish-American Novel

SPAN 465. Cinema and Literature

SPAN 446. Special Topics in Linguistics, Literature or Civilization¹

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¹ This is a special topics or special studies course. It may count for the minor, but only if it deals with Latin America. Contact the coordinator for approval if you are interested in taking this course as part of the Latin American studies minor.

Medieval and Renaissance Studies

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The Medieval and Renaissance Studies minor focuses on the period from the fall of Rome (5th century C.E.) to 1700. The minor allows students to take courses in art history, English, history, music, philosophy, political science, religion, and a range of languages (Arabic, French, Spanish, German, Italian and Latin as well as medieval languages such as Old English and Middle English) in the original or in the translation. Students focus on either the Medieval or the Renaissance periods or combine course work from both periods.

The minor requires 18 credits total from the list below, with the following restrictions. First, the 18 credit hours must include courses from at least three distinct disciplines. Note that all foreign language courses (ARAB, FR, GER, ITAL and LAT) fall into the single discipline of Foreign Languages and Literatures. Second, at least four of the six required classes must be taken from the intermediate or advanced categories. It is recommended that students take one introductory course before taking the 300 or 400 level classes.

Other courses with significant medieval and/or renaissance content may be counted toward the minor with the approval of the minor adviser. In addition, students interested in pursuing a three credit hour focused individual research project should contact individual faculty members with whom they might wish to work to determine the feasibility of the option in their particular cases. Only one such independent study will count toward the minor.

Approval of the minor adviser will also be required in the following two cases. First, courses preceded by an asterisk (ENG 302, ENG 410, ENG 412, FR 446, GHUM 200, GHUM 250, GHUM 252, HIST 489, ITAL/ENG 437, PHIL 460 and REL 300) will count toward the minor only if their content is focused on the medieval and/or renaissance periods. Second, because the content of GHUM 200, GHUM 250 and GHUM 252 will vary, the minor adviser will determine the appropriate disciplinary category for such courses.

Introductory Courses

| Courses | Credit Hours |
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| GARTH 205. Survey of World Art I: Prehistoric to Renaissance | 3 |
| GHIST 101. World History to 1500 | 3 |
| *GHUM 200. Great Works (topic dependent) | 3 |
| *GHUM 250. Foundation of Western Culture (topic dependent) | 3 |
| *GHUM 252. Cross-Cultural Perspectives (topic dependent) | 3 |
| HIST 201. Europe to 1815 | 3 |
| HIST 269. Middle East 500-1500 | 3 |

Basic Language Courses

| Courses | Credit Hours |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| LAT 101. Elementary Latin I | 4 |
| LAT 102. Elementary Latin II | 4 |
| LAT 231. Intermediate Latin I | 3 |
| LAT 232. Intermediate Latin II | 3 |
| ARAB 101. Elementary Arabic I | 4 |
| ARAB 102. Elementary Arabic II | 4 |
| ARAB 231. Advanced Arabic I | 3 |
| ARAB 232. Advanced Arabic II | 3 |

Intermediate Courses

| Courses | Credit Hours |
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| ANTH 333. Celts, Vikings and Tribal Europe | 3 |
| ARTH 313. Masterpieces of Italian Renaissance Art | 3 |
| ARTH 320/ANTH 394. Studies in Fresco Preservation | 3 |
| ARTH 446. Italian Renaissance Art | 3 |
| *ENG 302. Special Topics in Literature and Language (topic dependent) | 3 |
| ENG 311. Medieval Literature and Culture | 3 |
| ENG 312. Special Topics in Medieval Literature | 3 |
| ENG 313. Poetry and Prose of the Early British Renaissance | 3 |
| ENG 314. Seventeenth Century British Literature | 3 |
| ENG 315. Seventeenth Century British Poetry | 3 |
| ENG 316. Renaissance and Seventeenth-Century British Drama | 3 |
| HIST 383. Early England | 3 |
| HIST 389. France to 1789 | 3 |
| MUAP 380. Collegium Musicum | 3 |
| PHIL 342. Medieval Philosophy | 3 |
| POSC 310. Political Theory: Ancient to Early Modern | 3 |
| *REL 300. Selected Topics in Religion (topic dependent) | 3 |
| REL 305. Islamic Religious Tradition | 3 |
| REL 360. History of Western Religious Thought | 3 |

Advanced Courses

| Courses | Credit Hours |
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| ARTH 440. Early Medieval Art | 3 |
| ARTH 442. Art of Later Middle Ages | 3 |
| ARTH 444. Gothic and Gothic Revival Architecture | 3 |
| ARTH 448. Studies in Leonardo and Michelangelo | 3 |
| ARTH 449. Topics in Renaissance Art | 3 |
| *ENG 410. Major Author (topic dependent) | 3 |
| *ENG 412. Special Topics Seminar (topic dependent) | 3 |
| ENG 416. Old English Language and Literature | 3 |
| ENG 451. Chaucer | 3 |
| ENG 456. Shakespeare's Tragedies and Romances | 3 |
| ENG 457. Shakespeare's Comedies and Histories | 3 |
| ENG 461. Milton | 3 |
| *FR 446. Studies in French Literature (topic dependent) | 3 |
| *GER 436. Studies in German Literature (topic dependent) | 3 |
| HIST 464. Renaissance and Reformation | 3 |
| HIST 466. The Family, 1400-1800 | 3 |
| HIST 473. The Islamic World | 3 |
| HIST 477. Medieval Europe | 3 |
| *HIST 489. Selected Topics in World History (topic dependent) | 3 |
| *ITAL/ENG 437. Studies in Italian Literature (topic dependent) | 3 |

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| MUS 373. Music History: Antiquity through 1700 ¹ | 2 |
| *PHIL 460. Topics in Classical Philosophy (topic dependent) | 3 |

¹ MUS 373 is intended for music majors, and thus is not appropriate for students who lack expertise in reading music.

Middle Eastern Communities and Migrations

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The Middle Eastern Communities and Migrations minor concentrates on social and political issues involving Muslim, Christian and Jewish populations in their own right and in relation to one another in the territory between the Nile and Indus rivers during the modern period. The program is also designed to accommodate consideration of other communities including Hindu and other South Asians, Anatolian and Central Asian Turks, and Mediterranean peoples in the larger area stretching from North Africa to Southeast Asia as well as Middle Eastern diaspora communities in Europe and the Americas from the ancient period to the present.

The interdisciplinary orientation of the program emphasizes comparison and a synthesis of local, regional, trans-national and global perspectives. The program provides an intellectual foundation that can be usefully applied and built upon in graduate school, the private sector or government service.

Students are required to take 18 credits comprised of six credits of core course work and 12 credits of electives structured as follows.

Students must take two of the following three courses to fulfill the six-credit core course work required for the minor:

| Core Courses | Credit Hours |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| HIST 269. The Pre-Modern Middle East | 3 |
| HIST 270. The Modern Middle East | 3 |
| GHUM 252. Islamic Civilization | 3 |

Choose any of the following courses to fulfill the remaining 12 credits of course work required for the minor:

Regular Offerings**Department of Foreign Languages, Literature and Culture¹**

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| ARAB 101. First Semester Arabic ² | 4 |
| ARAB 102. Second Semester Arabic ³ | 4 |
| ARAB 111-112. Intensive Arabic ⁴ | 6 |
| ARAB 211-212. Intensive Arabic ⁴ | 6 |
| ARAB 231. Second Semester Arabic ² | 4 |
| ARAB 232. Second Semester Arabic ³ | 4 |

School of Art and Art History

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| ARTH 410. African Art: The Sahara Northern Sahel ⁵ | 3 |
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Department of History

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| HIST 269. The Pre-Modern Middle East ⁶ | 3 |
| HIST 270. Modern Middle East ⁶ | 3 |
| HIST 372. Afghanistan in Regional and Global Systems ⁵ | 3 |
| HIST 473. The Islamic World ⁷ | 3 |
| HIST 485. Colonialism in the Greater Middle East ⁵ | 3 |

Department of Philosophy and Religion

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| REL 201. Introduction to Hebrew Bible/Old Testament ⁵ | 3 |
| REL 202. Introduction to the New Testament ⁵ | 3 |
| REL 305. Islamic Religious Tradition ⁶ | 3 |
| REL 320. Judaism ⁶ | 3 |
| HEBR/REL 131-132. Elementary Biblical Hebrew ⁷ | 4 |
| HEBR/REL 231-232. Intermediate Biblical Hebrew ⁷ | 4 |