

**DEGREE/PROGRAM CHANGE  
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**Proposed effective term**

Semester  Year

**Course Information**

Select Appropriate Program   
Name of New or Existing Program   
Select Category  Degree Type   
Select Action

Exact Title and Requirements as they should appear in the catalog. If there is a change, upload current and proposed requirements.

See current catalog for format within the respective college (upload a doc/pdf file)

[Arabic Minor.doc](#)

**Does this change affect other departmental program/branch campuses? If yes, indicate below.**

Reason(s) for Request (enter text below or upload a doc/pdf file)

Request reflects newly approved courses for Arabic (ARAB 211/212, 375, 475) and their impact on Arabic minor. Approval of additional courses for Arabic minor aims to assist students wishing to fulfill minor requirements (the HIST and RELG courses listed in current Catalogue are not offered every year) and will improve time to degree for students pursuing Arabic minor.

Upload a document that includes justification for the program, impact on long-range planning, detailed budget analysis and faculty workload implications.(upload a doc/pdf file)

[Faculty Workload and Budgetary implications.doc](#)

**Are you proposing a new undergraduate degree or new undergraduate certificate? If yes, upload the following documents.**

Upload a two-page Executive Summary authorized by Associate Provost. (upload a doc/pdf file)

Upload memo from Associate Provost authorizing go-ahead to full proposal. (upload a doc/pdf file)

## **Arabic minor**

### **Original Minor (as in current Course Catalogue):**

Students complete eighteen hours of course work as described below.

1. Of these total eighteen hours, a minimum of six hours must come from ARAB 301, 302, or 320.
2. Of these total eighteen hours, a minimum of six hours must come from HIST 386 or 387 or RELG 457.

Note that the following courses are also acceptable when content-appropriate: AFST 380 and 397; COMP 332, 335, 432, 453, and 480; FREN 335 and 432; HIST 300 and 496; POLS 340; and RELG 347 and 447.

### **Proposed Changes:**

Students complete eighteen hours of course work as described below.

1. Of these total eighteen hours, a minimum of nine hours must come from ARAB 211, 212, 301, 302, or 475.
2. Of these total eighteen hours, a minimum of six hours must come from the following courses (where content-appropriate): ARAB/AFST 319, 320, 375, 475, 497; AFST 379, 380 and 397; HIST 300, 387, and 496; RELG 347, 447, and 457; COMP 332, 335, 432, 453, and 480; FREN 335 and 432; POLS 340; and ANTH 340/PSY 450

### **Rationale for Changes:**

- 1) First and second-year ARAB courses (100/200 level) will now be taught as intensive courses; because the ARAB 100 and 200 levels will be intensive, students will reach an appropriate level for a minor (Intermediate High) by the end of 212.
- 2) The required HIST and RELG classes are not offered every year, and there are new Arabic and Africana Studies classes that should also be available as part of the minor.

### **Budgetary and Faculty Load Implications:**

The proposed changes do not affect faculty course load so that there are no budgetary or faculty load.

### **FACULTY WORKLOAD AND BUDGETARY IMPLICATIONS**

**THE REQUESTED REVISION OF THE ARABIC MINOR IS INTENDED TO REFLECT TWO CHANGES: THE APPROVAL OF ARAB 111-112 AND 211-212, INTENSIVE FIRST AND SECOND YEAR ARABIC LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION, AND SEVERAL NEW COURSES IN ARABIC STUDIES/AFRICANA STUDIES (INCLUDING 319, 375, 397, 475). THE FIRST PROPOSED REVISION TO THE ARABIC MINOR WILL ALLOW STUDENTS TO COUNT THEIR INTENSIVE SECOND YEAR TOWARD THEIR ARABIC LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT, SINCE THE NEW INTENSIVE COURSES WILL TRAIN STUDENTS TO A LEVEL APPROPRIATE FOR STUDENTS COMPLETING A MINOR IN ARABIC STUDIES (INTERMEDIATE-HIGH PROFICIENCY) BY THE END OF ARAB 212. FURTHER, ADDING THE NEW ARABIC STUDIES AND AFRICANA STUDIES COURSES TO THE LIST OF COURSEWORK APPROVED FOR COMPLETION OF THE MINOR IN ARABIC STUDIES WILL ALLOW STUDENTS TO COMPLETE THEIR DEGREES IN A MORE TIMELY FASHION (ESPECIALLY SINCE THE REQUIRED HISTORY AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES COURSES IN THE CURRENT CATALOGUE DESCRIPTION OF THE MINOR ARE NOT OFFERED EVERY YEAR).**

**THE COURSES INVOLVED IN THE PROPOSED REVISION OF THE ARABIC MINOR ARE ALREADY COVERED BY FACULTY IN ARABIC AND AFRICANA STUDIES, SUCH THAT THE REVISION TO THE ARABIC MINOR WILL HAVE NO IMPACT ON FACULTY WORKLOAD AND HAVE NO BUDGETARY IMPLICATIONS FOR THE EITHER PROGRAM.**