

New Program Proposal

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Program Status Active

Academic Level Undergraduate

Type of proposal Major/Field of Study

Select a reason for this new program Adding New Additional Major

Are you adding a concentration?

No

Are you adding or modifying a track?

No

Are you adding or modifying a focused study?

No

Effective Catalog Year Fall 2021

College/School Code

Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences (ARSC)

Department Code

Department of World Languages, Literatures and Cultures (WLLC)

Program Code

AMARAB

Degree

Not Applicable

CIP Code

In Workflow

1. ARSC Dean Initial
2. Director of Program Assessment and Review
3. Registrar Initial
4. Institutional Research
5. WLLC Chair
6. ARSC Curriculum Committee
7. ARSC Dean
8. Global Campus
9. Provost Review
10. University Course and Program Committee
11. Faculty Senate
12. Provost Final
13. Provost's Office-- Notification of Approval
14. Registrar Final
15. Catalog Editor Final

Approval Path

1. 11/25/20 10:40 pm
Jeannie Hulen (jhulen): Approved for ARSC Dean Initial
2. 11/30/20 4:20 pm
Alice Griffin (agriffin): Approved for Director of Program

- Assessment and Review
3. 12/04/20 4:37 pm
Lisa Kulczak
(lkulcza): Approved for Registrar Initial
 4. 12/04/20 5:28 pm
Gary Gunderman
(ggunderm): Approved for Institutional Research
 5. 12/08/20 4:01 pm
Steven Bell (sbell): Approved for WLLC Chair
 6. 12/09/20 9:46 am
Ryan Cochran
(rcc003): Approved for ARSC Curriculum Committee
 7. 12/10/20 1:44 pm
Jeannie Hulen
(jhulen): Approved for ARSC Dean
 8. 12/10/20 1:57 pm
Suzanne Kenner
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 9. 01/04/21 10:35 am
Terry Martin
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 10. 01/25/21 10:33 am
Alice Griffin
(agriffin): Approved for University Course and Program Committee

16.1101 - Arabic Language and Literature.

Program Title

Additional Major-Arabic

Program Delivery

Method

On Campus

Is this program interdisciplinary?

No

Does this proposal impact any courses from another College/School?

No

What are the total 24
hours needed to
complete the
program?

Program Requirements and Description

Requirements

Students with majors in colleges and schools other than the Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences (Business, Education, Engineering, Agriculture, Architecture) can complete an additional major in Arabic by completing 24 hours of coursework in Arabic at the 3000-level and above. This is the same amount of coursework in Arabic in the undergraduate major in Arabic in Fulbright College.

The normal course sequence of ARAB courses fulfilling the major requirements for non-native speakers is as follows:

ARAB 3016	Intensive Arabic III 1	6
or ARAB 3016H	Honors Intensive Arabic III	
ARAB 4016	Intensive Arabic IV	6
or ARAB 4016H	Honors Intensive Arabic IV	
ARAB 3033	Colloquial Arabic	3
ARAB 4023	Advanced Arabic I	3

Six hours of ARAB electives 3000-level or higher in language, literature, and culture, selected in consultation with the major advisor. 6

Total Hours 24

1 [ARAB 1016](#) and [ARAB 2016](#) or equivalent may be required prior to taking [ARAB 3016](#).

Substitutions for courses in this list can be approved by Arabic major advisors (for example, for study abroad credits and transfer credits).

8-Semester Plan

Program Costs

N/A

Library Resources

N/A

Instructional

Facilities

N/A

Faculty Resources

N/A

List Existing Certificate or Degree Programs
that Support the Proposed Program

Program(s)
ARABBA - Arabic, Bachelor of Arts
ARAB-M - Arabic Minor

Are Similar Programs available in the area?

No

Estimated Student Demand for Program 5-8 per year, initially

Scheduled Program Review Date NA

Program Goals and
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Our ultimate goal in offering the Arabic major is to help students achieve high levels of fluency in Arabic language, literature, and culture while developing tools to think about and engage critically with the Arab world. Arabic majors will have the opportunity to combine their Arabic language study with Middle East Studies and International Area Studies, further strengthening and broadening their language and culture studies. Arabic majors opting to elect a MEST co-major qualify for a variety of scholarship opportunities from MEST. Further, the major prepares students to do graduate work in fields such as comparative literature, literary translation, anthropology, history, political science, economics, and gender studies.

Learning Outcomes

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Arabic majors achieve advanced language proficiency in the four language acquisition skill areas: speaking, listening, reading and writing. Required language courses for the major include all levels of Modern Standard Arabic as well as courses in colloquial Levantine and/or Egyptian Arabic. Arabic majors are encouraged to spend a summer or semester abroad in an Arabic-speaking country where they can be immersed in the culture of the language. The Arabic language curriculum is centered upon the guidelines established by the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL), advanced language proficiency. Through coursework offered by the major, students aim to achieve the following ACTFL proficiency targets:

Speaking: ability to engage and participate in conversation on autobiographical, community, national, or international topics of interest, using narration and description in past, present, and future, abundant length and with sufficient control of basic language structures and generic vocabulary.

Listening: ability to understand main ideas and most supporting details in connected discourse on a variety of general interest topics, such as news stories, explanations, instructions, anecdotes, or travelogue descriptions; can compensate for limitations in lexical and structural control of the language by using real-world knowledge and contextual clues; can understand authentic and connected speech that is lexically and structurally uncomplicated on a range of topics of general interest, limited to concrete, conventional discourse.

Reading: ability to understand main idea and supporting details of authentic narrative and descriptive texts while compensating for limitations in lexical and structural knowledge via contextual clues; able to understand texts with clear and predictable structure, uncomplicated prose, subject matter on real-world topics of general interest

Writing ability to write informal and formal correspondence, narratives, descriptions, and factual summaries, using past, present, and future tenses, with command of grammar and structure; shows good control of the most frequently used structures and generic vocabulary, allowing them to be understood by those unaccustomed to the writing of non-natives.

(adapted from ACTFL Proficiency Guidelines, ©2012)

In addition to language studies, students will attain a broad knowledge of Arabic literature and culture through courses offered by the Arabic program, including Survey of Arabic Literature I and II, Modern Arabic Literature, Pre-Islamic Poetry, Introduction to Arab Culture, Arabic Cinema, Media Arabic, Arabic Literary Translation, Business Arabic, and other special topics courses offered on a rotating basis.

In upper level Arabic courses, Arabic majors will be introduced to some of the following literary and cultural topics:

Learning Outcomes

1. Selected readings from early Arabic literature, ranging from the Pre-Islamic period through the Abbasid period, and from later Arabic literature, ranging from al-Nahda until the present
2. Trends and movements in modern Arabic poetry - Neo-Classicism, Romanticism, and the Free verse movement
3. Classical Arabic poetry from the Pre-Islamic and later Islamic periods
4. Arabic prose selections from the Arabic novel, drama, the short story, and experimental prose in the twentieth century
5. Selected readings from Arab history, literature, the Islamic Tradition, and the Holy Qur'an

Description and Justification for this request

Description of request	Justification for request
Creating a new 'additional major' in Arabic.	Similar to the 'additional majors' in German, French, and Spanish, non-Fulbright majors will also benefit from an additional major in Arabic. The removal of the other WLLC-related course requirements makes it more convenient for students in other colleges to study a language.

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Reviewer Comments

Alice Griffin (agriffin) (11/30/20 4:17 pm): Changed scheduled program review date from 2026-2027 to NA. Additional majors are not required to conduct formal program reviews.

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