

Middle Eastern Studies BA

FOUR-YEAR ACADEMIC PLAN

12 Required Core Credits

18 Flexible Core Credits

12 College Option Credits

42 Education Credits

36 Elective Credits

This 4-year academic plan is for freshmen entering Queens College in Fall 2025.

Our 4-year academic plans are illustrative examples of integrated degree requirements and course sequencing for each of the College's programs of study which are designed to ensure degree completion in a timely manner. Students are advised to meet with professional and faculty advisors to tailor their degree maps to their individual interests (academic and career goals), as well as other considerations including course offerings and the incorporation of winter and summer sessions. Course pre-requisite/s and co-requisite/s are strictly enforced, as are entrance and maintenance criteria (if applicable) for the successful completion of the degree.

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Freshman

FALL

English Composition I (EC1)	3 credits
I Arabic course (LANG)	3/4 credits
Math & Quantitative Reasoning (MQR)	3 credits
Life & Physical Science (LPS)	4 credits
World Cultures & Global Issues (WCGI)	3 credits

Fall total credits

16 credits

SPRING

English Composition II (EC2)	3 credits
I Arabic course (LANG)	3/4 credits
US Experience in Its Diversity (USED)	3 credits
Creative Expression (CE)	3 credits
Individual and Society (IS)	3 credits

Spring total credits

15 credits

Sophomore

FALL

I Hebrew course	3/4 credits
MES 160 (LIT)	3 credits
Classical Islamic Literature & Civilization	
Scientific World (SW)	3 credits
An Additional Flexible Core	3 credits
Second major, minor, or general electives*	3 credits

Fall total credits

15 credits

SPRING

I Hebrew course	3/4 credits
MES 255W (W)	3 credits
Modern Arabic Literature in Translation	
College Option Science (SCI)	3 credits
Second major, minor, or general electives	6 credits

Spring total credits

15 credits

General Education requirements may be taken in any order if the pre-requisite requirement(s) is/are satisfied.

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Junior

FALL

MES 155	3 credits
Sephardic Literature in Translation	
MES 250	3 credits
Literature from the Islamic World	
One Writing Intensive Unit (W)	3 credits
Second major, minor, or general electives	6 credits

Fall total credits**15 credits**

SPRING

MES 240	3 credits
Images of the Middle East	
MES 260	3 credits
Revival & Reform Movements in Islam	
Second major, minor, or general electives	9 credits

Spring total credits**15 credits**

Senior

FALL

ANTH 204 or 212	3 credits
Anthropology of Islam/People of the Middle East	
CMLIT 208 or 245	3 credits
Prison Experiences in Modern Literature/ Cinema of North Africa & the Middle East	
Second major, minor, or general electives	9 credits

Fall total credits**15 credits**

SPRING

Hebrew 150 (LIT)	3 credits
Modern Hebrew Literature in Translation	
MES 300	3 credits
Topics in Islamic Studies	
Second major, minor, or general electives	9 credits

Spring total credits**15 credits**

*General Electives: Students may complete general electives by taking courses in (most) department/s or programs they choose; however, depending on the course/program, students may need department permission and/or prerequisite course/s. Electives may be used to supplement the chosen major (an English major may want to take a course in French or Italian literature) or to fulfill interest in a different area (a Music major may be interested in the physics of sound). Students are encouraged to use available electives to complete a dual major, minor, pre-requisites for graduate or professional school, or complete and internship, experiential learning and/or study abroad. Students are encouraged to use their available general electives wisely and focus on coursework that will assist them personally, academically and professionally.