Department of Near Eastern Languages and Cultures

Middle Eastern Studies BA

Lower Division Preparation for the Major (2 courses)
Complete two courses and a foreign language requirement as follows:

Required Courses

- **Ancient Near East** 10W, 12W, 14, 14W, 15, 15W, M60, M60W, M70; **History** 9D; **Iranian** 55, M60, M60W; **Islamic Studies** M20; **Jewish** M20; **Middle Eastern Studies** M50A, M50B, M50CW; **Near Eastern Languages** M20, 65

Middle Eastern Language

- **Arabic** 1C; **Armenian** 101C, 104C; **Hebrew** 1C; **Iranian** 1C, 20C; **Turkic** 101C

Upper Division Major Coursework (11 courses)

Required Core Courses
Select a total of six courses, including at least two from three of the following four areas:

History

- **Ancient Near East** M103A, M103B, M104A, C106A, M110A, M110B, M110C; **Anthropology** 166P; **Arabic** M171; **Armenian** 130, 131; **History** 105A, 105B, 105C, M108C; **Iranian** M110A, M110B, M110C, CM163, 164, M178; **Jewish** M178, M182A, M182B, M182C, M184A, M184B, M184C, M184D

Language

- **Ancient Near East** 120A, 120B, 120C, C123A, C123B, 140A, 140B, 140C, M168A; **Arabic** 102A, 102B, 102C, 103A, 103B, 103C, 112A, 112B, 112C; **Armenian** 102A, 102B, 102C, 103A, 103B, 103C, 105A, 105B, 105C, 106A, 106B, 106C; **Hebrew** 102A, 102B, 102C, 103A, 103B, 103C, 110A, 110B; **Iranian** 103A, 103B, 103C, 161A, 161B, 161C; **Semitic** 110, 115, 130, M140A, 140B, 141; **Turkic** 102A, 102B, 102C, 112A, 112B, 112C, 116A, 116B, 116C

Literature

- **Ancient Near East** M150A, 150B; **Arabic** M110, C141, M148; **Hebrew** 120, 125, 130, 135, C140, 170; **Jewish** M113, 143, M150A, 150B, M151A, 151B, M162, 170, 175, M187; **Iranian** 120, 130, 131, 132, 140, 141, 150A, 150B

Religion

- **Ancient Near East** M130, M135, M170, M185D; **History** M106; **Iranian** 170; **Islamic Studies** CM115, 130, C151; **Jewish** M155, 170; **Religion** 120

Required Electives (5 courses)
Select any five upper-division courses from the following range or list:

- **Department Electives** – select any upper division course from the following subject areas: Ancient Near East, Arabic, Armenian, Hebrew, Iranian, Islamic Studies, Jewish Studies, Middle Eastern Studies, Near Eastern Languages, Semitic, or Turkic Languages.

- **Anthropology** M166Q, 167; **Art History** C116A, 119A, 119B, C120; **Economy** 111, 112; **Ethnomusicology** 161L, 161N; **French** 121, 160; **History** 105A, 105B, 105C, M106, 107A, 107B, 107C, 107D, 108A, 108B, 109B, M110B, 111A, 111B, 111C, 116A, 116B, 164B, 167A, M184D, M185F, M185G, M185I; **Philosophy** 104; **Political Science** 132A, M132B, 157, 165; **Religion** 120

Major Policies:

- Each course must be taken for a letter grade.
- A maximum of 8 units of special studies courses (197, 198, 199) approved by the department may be applied toward the major. Each course must be taken for a letter grade.
- A single 2-unit course may not be used to satisfy a single course requirement otherwise satisfied by a course with a minimum of 4 units. By department exception, two 2-unit courses may be combined to satisfy one course requirement.
- Courses not listed above may be applied towards the major with an approved departmental course petition, which can be found on the NELC website under “Course Petitions”