

# Near Eastern Studies (NE STUD)

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## Courses

NE STUD R1A Reading and Composition in Near Eastern Studies 4 Units  
Expository writing based on analysis of selected texts or literatures in translation or writings interpreting the material culture of the ancient Near or modern Middle East. Specific topics vary with instructor. R1A satisfies the first half of the Reading and Composition requirement, and R1B satisfies the second half.

### Rules & Requirements

**Prerequisites:** UC Entry Level Writing Requirement or UC Analytical Writing Placement Exam. 1A is prerequisite to 1B

**Requirements this course satisfies:** Satisfies the first half of the Reading and Composition requirement

### Hours & Format

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 8 hours of lecture per week

### Additional Details

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam not required.

NE STUD R1B Reading and Composition in Near Eastern Studies 4 Units  
Expository writing based on analysis of selected texts or literatures in translation or writings interpreting the material culture of the ancient Near or modern Middle East. Specific topics vary with instructor. R1A satisfies the first half of the Reading and Composition requirement, and R1B satisfies the second half.

### Rules & Requirements

**Prerequisites:** UC Entry Level Writing Requirement or UC Analytical Writing Placement Exam. 1A is a prerequisite to 1B

**Requirements this course satisfies:** Satisfies the second half of the Reading and Composition requirement

### Hours & Format

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 8 hours of lecture per week

### Additional Details

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam not required.

NE STUD 10 Introduction to the Near East 4 Units

The background and present status of the ethnic and religious groups in the Arab states, Turkey, Israel, and Iran.

### Hours & Format

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 10 hours of lecture per week

### Additional Details

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

NE STUD 15 Introduction to Near Eastern Art and Archaeology 4 Units  
The ancient Near East (present-day Iran, Iraq, Syria, Jordan, Lebanon, Israel, and Turkey) is considered the cradle of civilization. Here in Mesopotamia and its neighboring regions, the first cities arose, writing was invented, armies forged the earliest empires, and complex religious beliefs were expressed in art and architecture. This course surveys the major archaeological sites and monuments from the earliest settlements to the conquest of the Near East by Alexander the Great in 330 BCE.

### Hours & Format

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 8 hours of lecture and 2 hours of discussion per week

### Additional Details

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Instructor:** Feldman

NE STUD N16 Introduction to Islamic Art 4 Units

The art and architecture of the Islamic lands from the seventh to the seventeenth centuries.

### Hours & Format

#### Summer:

6 weeks - 6.5 hours of lecture and 2.5 hours of discussion per week

8 weeks - 6 hours of lecture and 2 hours of discussion per week

### Additional Details

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam not required.

**NE STUD 18 Introduction to Ancient Egypt 4 Units**

A general introduction to ancient Egypt, providing overview coverage of ancient Egyptian culture and society (history, art, religion, literature, language, social structure), Egyptian archaeology (pyramids, tombs, mummies, temples, cities, monuments, daily life), and the history and development of the modern discipline of Egyptology. Assumes no prior knowledge of subject. Almost all lectures are illustrated extensively by slides. Discussion sections are held in the Phoebe Hearst Museum of Anthropology, which has the best collection of ancient Egyptian artifacts west of Chicago.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of session per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 8 hours of lecture and 2 hours of session per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 24 Freshman Seminars 1 Unit**

The Berkeley Seminar Program has been designed to provide new students with the opportunity to explore an intellectual topic with a faculty member in a small-seminar setting. Berkeley Seminars are offered in all campus departments, and topics vary from department to department and semester to semester.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit as topic varies. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 1 hour of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** The grading option will be decided by the instructor when the class is offered. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 25 Ancient Babylonian Legends and Myths 3 Units**

Lectures on and readings of the Gilgamesh Epic, Creation and Flood Myths and other Mesopotamian literary texts in translation.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD C26 Introduction to Central Asia 3 Units**

This course will introduce the student not only to ancient and modern Central Asia, but also to the role played by the region in the shaping of the history of neighboring regions and regimes. The course will outline the history, languages, ethnicities, religions, and archaeology of the region and will acquaint the student with the historical foundations of some of the political, social and economic challenges for contemporary post-Soviet Central Asian republics.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Also listed as:** GEOG C55

**NE STUD 34 Hebrew Bible in Translation 3 Units**

Readings from the Hebrew Bible in English translation.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 8 weeks - 6 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD C92 Imagining Arab Civilization 4 Units**

This course examines major aspects of Arab culture through literature, art, film, and other media. Questions of religious, political, and philosophical nature co-exist in Arab culture with literary conventions and aesthetic norms. The course explores the dynamic interaction among these abiding concerns of Arab culture from pre-Islamic times to the present.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Also listed as:** UGIS C92

**NE STUD 98 Directed Group Study for Lower Division Students 1 - 4 Units**

Topics vary.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Lower division standing. Student must submit a written proposal with consent of instructor to the department chair for approval

**Credit Restrictions:** Enrollment is restricted; see the Introduction to Courses and Curricula section of this catalog.

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 1-4 hours of directed group study per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.

**NE STUD 99 Supervised Independent Study 1 - 4 Units**  
Topics vary.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Lower division standing; 3.3 GPA and consent of instructor. Students must submit a written proposal to the chair of the department for approval

**Credit Restrictions:** Enrollment is restricted; see the Introduction to Courses and Curricula section of this catalog.

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 1-4 hours of independent study per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.

**NE STUD 101 Women and Gender in Ancient Egypt 4 Units**

Women have been ignored or marginalized in much of past scholarship on ancient Egypt despite their highly visible presence in and importance to ancient Egyptian society. This course examines the roles of women and gender in ancient Egyptian society and belief systems. It reviews sources of evidence and interpretive frameworks for understanding the public and private roles of women and the definition of gender in ancient Egypt. It also places the women of ancient Egypt and ancient Egyptian gender constructions into comparative contexts with other ancient eastern Mediterranean and Near Eastern societies.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Near Eastern Studies 18 or equivalent

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of seminar and 2.5 hours of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.

**NE STUD 102A Archaeology of Ancient Egypt 4 Units****Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** 18 or equivalent or consent of instructor

**Credit Restrictions:** Students who have taken 175A, 175B, 175C, or 175D will receive no credit for 102A-102B.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 102B Archaeology of Ancient Egypt 4 Units****Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** 18 or equivalent or consent of instructor

**Credit Restrictions:** Students who have taken 175A, 175B, 175C, or 175D will receive no credit for 102A-102B.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 103 Religion of Ancient Egypt 3 Units**

A survey of the religious beliefs of the ancient Egyptians, based primarily upon the written sources.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** 18 or consent of instructor

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:**

6 weeks - 7 hours of lecture per week

8 weeks - 6 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD C103 Religion of Ancient Egypt 3 Units**

A survey of the religious beliefs of the ancient Egyptians, based primarily upon the written sources.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** 18 or consent of instructor

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Also listed as:** RELIGST C103

**NE STUD C104 Babylonian Religion 3 Units**

A survey of Babylonian religious beliefs and practices based on indigenous texts and monuments.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Also listed as:** RELIGST C104

**NE STUD 105A Ancient Mesopotamian Documents and Literature 3 Units**

A representative survey of original 3rd-1st millennium Cuneiform texts in translation. The Sumerian religious and scholastic tradition; myths of creation, hymns, epics and early historical material.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 106A Art and Architecture of Ancient Egypt 4 Units**

Stylistic and iconographic study of Egyptian art and architecture from Predynastic times through the end of the pharaonic period. Discussion sections will focus on Egyptian material in the Hearst Museum collection. Will cover the period from Predynastic times until the end of the First Intermediate Period (ca. 5000-2000 BC).

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** A. 18 or equivalent, or consent of instructor. B. 106A or consent of instructor

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 8 hours of lecture and 2 hours of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 106B Art and Architecture of Ancient Egypt 4 Units**

Stylistic and iconographic study of Egyptian art and architecture from Predynastic times through the end of the pharaonic period. Discussion sections will focus on Egyptian material in the Hearst Museum collection. Will consider the period from the end of the First Intermediate Period through the Graeco-Roman Period (ca. 2000 BC - 1st century AD).

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** A. 18 or equivalent, or consent of instructor. B. 106A, or consent of instructor

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 8 hours of lecture and 2 hours of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 108 Topics in the Ancient Mediterranean World 2 - 4 Units**  
Varying topics in the cultural connections of the ancient Mediterranean world from the fourth millennium B.C.E. to late antiquity. Typical themes/topics might include: ideologies of gender and sexuality; comparative religions or literatures; archaeological and/or historical interconnections.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Consent of instructor

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit as topic varies. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:**

6 weeks - 7 hours of lecture per week

8 weeks - 5.5 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 109 Mesopotamian History 3 Units**

Ancient Mesopotamian political, cultural, and economic history from the invention of script to the Persian conquest of Babylon will be presented in survey, and one topic will be selected for in-depth study.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 110 Art and Archaeology of Ancient Egypt in the First Millennium B.C 3 Units**

The course surveys the art and/or archaeology of ancient Egypt in the first millennium B.C. It covers ancient Egyptian material culture of the Third Intermediate, Late, Ptolemaic, and Early Roman periods.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** 18 or equivalent or consent of instructor

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 112 Survey of Ancient Egyptian History 4 Units**

A concise survey of Ancient Egyptian history from Late Predynastic times to the conquest of Alexander the Great.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** 18 or equivalent or consent of instructor

**Credit Restrictions:** Students will receive no credit for 112 after taking 101A-101B; 2 units after taking 101A or 101B.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 113 Gilgamesh: King, Hero, and God 4 Units**

The most famous of Babylonian heroes is Gilgamesh, King of Uruk. The Gilgamesh Epic, recorded on twelve tablets in cuneiform, follows him in his quest for fame and eternal life. In this course, we will read the Gilgamesh Epic as well as several earlier texts around the same character. Moreover, we will read additional ancient texts that elucidate one or another aspect of the Epic. We will follow the traditions around Gilgamesh and see how his fame was used for literary, religious, and political purposes. Finally, we will look at some of the modern Gilgamesh interpretations.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD C119 Disciplining Near Eastern Archaeology: Explorers, Archaeologists, and Tourists in the Contemporary Middle East 3 Units**

This course examines the roles that Near Eastern archaeology plays within the context of recent Middle Eastern history and society, from 1800 to the present day. Topics include the discipline's entanglement with imperialism, nationalism, science, tourism, the antiquities trade, media, and war. Students will examine and discuss ethnographies, technical reports, memoirs, films, and images.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:**

6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture per week

8 weeks - 5.5 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam not required.

**Instructor:** Porter

**Also listed as:** ANTHRO C123F

**NE STUD C120A The Art of Ancient Mesopotamia: 3500-1000 BCE 4 Units**

The art and architecture of early Mesopotamia will be explored in terms of the social, political, and cultural context of ancient Sumer, Babylonia, and Assyria during the period of urbanization and early kingdoms.

The course provides an integrated picture of the arts of Mesopotamia and neighboring regions from 3500-1000 BCE with an emphasis on the development of visual narrative, the use of art in the expression of authority and legitimacy, and artistic interconnections between cultures. Collections on campus or in the area will be incorporated whenever possible.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Also listed as:** HISTART C120A

**NE STUD C120B The Art of Ancient Mesopotamia: 1000-330 BCE 4 Units**

The royal art and architecture of later Mesopotamia will be explored in terms of the social, political, and cultural context of the great empires of Assyria, Babylon, and Persia. The course provides an integrated picture of the arts of Mesopotamia and neighboring regions from 1000-330 BCE with an emphasis on the development of visual narrative, the use of art in the expression of authority and legitimacy, and artistic interconnections between cultures. Collections on campus or in the area will be incorporated whenever possible.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Also listed as:** HISTART C120B

**NE STUD C121A Topics in Islamic Art 4 Units**

The course will treat in depth topics in Islamic architecture and topics in Islamic art. Subjects addressed may include painting, calligraphy, and book production.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit as topic varies. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Also listed as:** HISTART C121A

**NE STUD C121B Topics in Islamic Art 4 Units**

The course will treat in depth topics in Islamic architecture and topics in Islamic art. Subjects addressed may include painting, calligraphy, and book production.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit as topic varies. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Also listed as:** HISTART C121B

**NE STUD 122 Iranian Archaeology 4 Units**

A survey of the archaeology of Iran and its neighbors from the Paleolithic Era to the Sasanian period. Students will analyze architecture, artifacts, and written sources, discuss debates, and learn archaeological methods.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** 15 is recommended

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Formerly known as:** 122A-122B



**NE STUD 123 Mesopotamian Archaeology 4 Units**

A survey of Mesopotamian archaeology from the Paleolithic Era to 300 BCE investigating the origins of agriculture, urbanism, states, and empires in ancient Iraq, Syria, and Turkey. Students will analyze architecture, artifacts, and written sources, discuss current debates, and learn archaeological research methods.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** 15 recommended

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Formerly known as:** 123A-123B

**NE STUD 124 Levantine Archaeology 4 Units**

A survey of Levantine archaeology from the Paleolithic Era to 300 BCE investigating the origins of agriculture, technologies, villages, and states in ancient Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Palestine, and Syria. Prehistoric, Canaanite, and Israelite societies are emphasized. Students will analyze architecture, artifacts, and written sources, discuss debates, and learn archaeological methods.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** 15 is recommended

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Formerly known as:** 124A-124B

**NE STUD 126 Silk Road Art and Archaeology 3 Units**

The course will outline art and archaeology of the Silk Roads from the 5th century BCE to the 10th century CE. A number of specific sites located along the Silk Roads will be selected and explored in depth, as examples which reveal the manifold cultural currents along the trade routes. Special attention will be paid to the eclecticism in Silk Road cultures brought about by the movement of peoples and merchandise which facilitated the spread and fusion along these trading routes of various ideas, cultural forms, art styles, and religious concepts. The social and political underpinnings of this eclecticism will be examined.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 127 Art and Archaeology of Ancient Syria 4 Units**

The course provides a broad introduction to the cultures of ancient Syria from the Neolithic period to 500 BCE. The diversity of cultures and their development over time will be assessed in light of the built environment and artistic production. Emphasis is placed on interpreting the material culture of the region within its social and political contexts.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 128 The Art and Archaeology of Ancient Turkey 4 Units**

This course explores the art and archaeology of ancient Turkey from the Neolithic period to the time of Alexander's conquest of the Near East (330 BCE). The survey will include geographic and historical considerations and will focus in particular on the ancient sites and monuments. Topics of discussion may include the Anatolian mother goddess, resource procurement, trade contacts, the Trojan war, and the rise of Phrygia and Lydia. A general theme throughout the course is the issue of defining indigenous, regional cultures and the ways in which they interacted with the broader ancient world.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 129 Arts of Iran and Central Asia 4 Units**

This course focuses on the arts of the Iranian cultural environment from the mid-first Millennium BCE through the first Millennium CE. Geographically, it covers a region stretching east from modern Iran to Afghanistan, Uzbekistan and Tajikistan, and north towards the Central Asian steppes, the ancestral home of important ancient Iranian pastoral nomadic tribes. The course will, among others, explore the art and archaeology of the Achaemenids, Parthians, Sasanians, and Sogdians to come to a better understanding of the social, political, and cultural underpinnings of the pre-Islamic Iranian world.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD C129 Minoan and Mycenaean Art 4 Units**

This course analyzes the art, architecture, and archaeology of prehistoric Greece, concentrating on the Minoan and Mycenaean palatial arts of the Bronze Age (3000-1200 BCE). The evocative yet still enigmatic remains of palaces and funerary complexes, frescoes and vase paintings, and precious worked pieces will be closely examined in terms of their forms and cultural contexts. The place of prehistoric Greece in the international world of the eastern Mediterranean will also be explored.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Also listed as:** HISTART C140

**NE STUD 130 Men, Women and Gods: Common Themes in Biblical and Ancient Mediterranean Texts 4 Units**

The Hebrew Bible is deeply embedded in the cultures of the ancient Mediterranean and Near East. In this course we will look at common biblical themes such as the creation of the world, the creation of men and women, the purpose of men and women in the world, as well as various stories relating to humankind, and see how these themes/stories are treated similarly and differently in various ancient Mediterranean and Near Eastern cultures by examining connections with the myths and literatures of ancient Mesopotamia and Greece, as well as Canaan. Biblical material will include the stories of Adam and Eve, Noah, Jephthah's daughter, and David and Jonathan.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 130A History of Ancient Israel 3 Units**

The patriarchal age through the Hellenistic period.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 130B History of Ancient Israel 3 Units**

The patriarchal age through the Hellenistic period.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 131 Aspects of Biblical Religion 4 Units**

The teachings of ancient Israel's priests, prophets and sages on various universal problems.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 132 Biblical Poetry 4 Units**

A survey of the poetics and genres of poetry in the Hebrew Bible, focusing on close reading of selected texts. Theoretical issues will include the dynamics of parallelism, metaphor, intertextuality, agency, and gender. Historical issues will include the ancient Near Eastern literary genres and the political and ritual dynamics of the biblical poems. Throughout the course, we will also be reading selected modern poems that respond to biblical poetry. Primary texts will be largely drawn from the books of Psalms, Proverbs, Job, Ecclesiastes, Song of Songs, and the prophets. All texts will be read in translation.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD C133 Judaism in Late Antiquity 4 Units**

This class will examine the emergence and development of classical Judaism, its piety, institutions, thought, and literature.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Also listed as:** RELIGST C133/UGIS C153



**NE STUD C135 Jewish Civilization I: The Biblical Period 4 Units**

This is the first course in a four-course sequence in the history of Jewish culture and civilization. It covers the biblical period and the period up to the destruction of the second temple. This course will explore the current state of our knowledge, including the legacy of ancient Near Eastern myth and religion, the history of Israelite religion, the literary features of biblical narrative, and the Dead Sea Scrolls.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Also listed as:** RELIGST C132

**NE STUD 136 History and Historiography in the Hebrew Bible 3 Units**

A critical examination of the form and content of history-like narratives of the Hebrew Bible in the light of concepts of history and historiographic practices in the ancient Near East and in contemporary historical studies. Selective focus on one or more books in Genesis through Kings, Chronicles, and Ezra-Nehemiah.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 137 Modern and Contemporary Jewish Thought 4 Units**

An analysis of modern Jewish movements and ideas. Topics include Spinoza, Hasidism, the Enlightenment, Jewish religious movements in America, Zionism, Buber, Rosensweig, Kaplan, Heschel.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 138 The Hero in the Bible and the Ancient Near East 3 Units**

An investigation of concepts of the hero/heroine in the literature of ancient Mesopotamia, Canaan, and Israel. The importance of heroic epic in defining and exploring morality, the self, and the cosmos will be a guiding concern. Texts include the epics of Gilgamesh and Aqhat, the Hebrew Bible, and the New Testament. All texts are read in translation.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 139 Modern Jewish Literatures 4 Units**

Trends and genres in modern Jewish literatures--translated from Hebrew and Yiddish, with selected texts translated from other Jewish languages like Ladino and Judeo-Arabic. Focus will be on developments in Jewish literary traditions since the enlightenment in the context of tensions between occidental and oriental formations of Jewish culture.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Upper division standing or consent of instructor

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Summer:** 8 weeks - 6 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 140 Topics in Islamic Thought and Institutions 3 Units**

Selected topics from Islamic intellectual history.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 141 Modern and Contemporary Islamic Thought 3 Units**

A survey of leading Muslim thinkers and movements of the past two centuries.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 142 Shi'ite Islam 3 Units**

The beliefs, traditions, and practices of the Shi'ite school of Islam.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 143A Islam in Iran 3 Units**

A general survey of the religious history of Iran in the Islamic period, covering the rise and development of religious institutions, the elaboration of the religious sciences, Sufism, and sectarian movements.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 143B Islam in Iran 3 Units**

A general survey of the religious history of Iran in the Islamic period, covering the rise and development of religious institutions, the elaboration of the religious sciences, Sufism, and sectarian movements.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 144 Sufism: The Mysticism of Islam 3 Units**

A general presentation of Sufism that, while not aiming at exhaustiveness, will seek to acquaint students with the place and function of Sufism in Islam; the main outlines of its history; doctrinal and ritual features; the relationship between Sufism and literature, especially poetry; the principal Sufi orders; leading figures in the elaboration of Sufism as a distinct mode of Islamic practice; and the great diversity of Sufism as reflected in its geographic spread throughout the Muslim world.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** May be repeated for credit when subject matter varies.

Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:**

6 weeks - 7 hours of lecture per week

8 weeks - 6 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 146 Islam 3 Units**

A comprehensive and detailed introduction to the sources, doctrines, practices, and institutions of Islam, together with their historical development and elaboration in a select number of ethnic and geographic environments and an overview of Islam in the world today.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 8 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 146A Islam 3 Units**

A comprehensive and detailed introduction to the sources, doctrines, practices, and institutions of Islam, together with their historical development and elaboration in a select number of ethnic and geographic environments and an overview of Islam in the world today.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 8 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 146B Islam 3 Units**

A comprehensive and detailed introduction to the sources, doctrines, practices, and institutions of Islam, together with their historical development and elaboration in a select number of ethnic and geographic environments and an overview of Islam in the world today.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 8 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 147 The Rise of Islamic Civilization 4 Units**

A survey of Islamic civilization in the Middle East during the medieval period. Topics include the emergence of Islam in Arabia and the role of the Prophet Muhammad; the rapid rise of an Islamic empire and its effects on the societies it governed; the creation of an Islamic civilization and the religious, political, and intellectual debates it engendered; contact with Europe and Asia through trade, Crusades, and nomadic conquest; the contributions of non-Muslims, women, slaves.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 150A Arabic Literature in Translation 3 Units**

No knowledge of Arabic is required. Survey of Arabic literature from its origins in pre-Islamic poetry through its historical development during the Umayyad, and Abbasid periods.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit as topic varies. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 150B Arabic Literature in Translation 3 Units**

No knowledge of Arabic is required. Survey of Arabic literature in its development from the post-Abbasid period to the present.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit as topic varies. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 151 Folktales of the Middle East 4 Units**

An introduction to the art of the folktale as practiced in the folk narrative traditions of the Middle East. We will first focus on the cultural dynamics of the Arabic folktale: its portrayal of women, social conflicts and gender roles; its use of imagery, symbolism and the supernatural; and its translation of cultural themes like fate and destiny into plot motifs. We will then compare the Arabic folktale as an oral genre with tales from other traditions including Turkish and Persian.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 152 Cultural Encounters in Modern Arabic Literature 3 Units**

This course is organized around two broad but inter-related issues: the quest for identity and the representation of the "other" in modern Arabic literature. Central to both concerns is the treatment of colonialism, nationalism, and gender in modern Arabic literature and Arab culture in general.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** May be repeated for credit when subject matter varies. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:**

6 weeks - 7 hours of lecture per week

8 weeks - 6 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 153 The Medieval Frametale Genre: Its Hispano-Arabic Roots 4 Units**

The art of inserting stories within stories is typical of certain Oriental literatures and was widely cultivated in Arabic. Via Spain, the Arabs transmitted this form of writing to medieval Europe. A masterpiece such as the which stands as an isolated work in Spanish literature, nevertheless bears comparison with certain Arabic works that preceded it. This course will study the structure, meaning, and function of the frametale genre, using examples from Arabic, Spanish, and English, including animal fables, romances, mirrors for princes, and picaresque narratives. It will examine the Arabic literature Spain borrowed, and show how, from Spain, individual tales found their way into the medieval West.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 154 Narratives of Identity in Israeli and Palestinian Fiction 4 Units**

The dynamics of identity in contemporary Israeli and Palestinian fiction. Since in both literary traditions the quest for identity invariably involves an encounter with the cultural "other," the examination of this phenomenon within a single context can be revealing. We will approach the subject through lectures, discussion, and the viewing of video and film dramatizations of Arabic and Hebrew works that deal with identity, and make use of the class location to significantly enhance learning by visiting Arabic and Hebrew theaters and literary establishments and by meeting and interacting with Israeli and Palestinian writers, critics, and scholars. English is the language of instruction, and the required readings of novels, novellas, short stories, and works of literary and cultural criticism are in English translation. A midterm, final examination, and two short analytical papers are required.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Consent of instructor

**Hours & Format**

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 15 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

NE STUD 155 Wonder and the Fantastic: &lt;The Thousand and One Nights&gt; in World Literary Imagination 3 Units  
After studying the tales themselves and examining their structure and how they fit into the genre of folk literature, we will investigate how the was transmitted, translated, and received in Europe, as a window on 19th-century gender and racial attitudes, especially Western views of the "oriental" other. How the was creatively manipulated by Western writers will be studied, as will the influence of these tales on modern Arabic literature itself. Several examples of how the have been represented in Western films will be considered. All works will be read in English translation.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

NE STUD 160 Religions of Ancient Iran 3 Units  
Principally devoted to Zoroastrianism and Manicheanism but with some attention to Indo-Iranian origins, and relevance of Iranian religion for the history of Hellenistic Gnosticism, Judaism, and Islam.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 162A History of Persian Literature 4 Units**

These courses offer a comprehensive introduction to the main currents in Persian literature from the 10th century to the contemporary period. They introduce students to various genres, period styles, and crucial formal and thematic elements necessary to the understanding of Persian literature. While 162A deals with classical Persian literature, 162B deals with Persian literature since the advent of modernity in Persian-speaking lands, namely the 19th century. Both courses emphasize the impact of social factors, political events, and intellectual currents on Persian literary production. The course is taught in English. Knowledge of Persian is desirable but not required.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Summer:** 8 weeks - 2.5 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 162B History of Persian Literature 4 Units**

These courses offer a comprehensive introduction to the main currents in Persian literature from the 10th century to the contemporary period. They introduce students to various genres, period styles, and crucial formal and thematic elements necessary to the understanding of Persian literature. While 162A deals with classical Persian literature, 162B deals with Persian literature since the advent of modernity in Persian-speaking lands, namely the 19th century. Both courses emphasize the impact of social factors, political events, and intellectual currents on Persian literary production. The course is taught in English. Knowledge of Persian is desirable but not required.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Summer:** 8 weeks - 2.5 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 165 Film and Fiction of Iran 4 Units**

Introduces students to major themes in modern Iranian literature and cinema. Short story readings and discussions provide an analytical framework of the screening of films covering diverse topics of significance in Iran today. All films have English subtitles; lectures and readings are in English. No prior history of Iranian history or literature is required.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Upper division status

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 2 hours of discussion per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture and 5 hours of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Instructor:** Pirnazar

**NE STUD 170 Islamic History and Historiography (600-1050) 3 Units**

The course introduces students to Islamic history and challenges of Islamic historiography from the rise of Islam (ca.600 CE) to the coming of the Seljuks (1050CE). Students will gain an understanding of the religious, social, and political institutions of Islam in their historical contexts. Throughout the course, they will be exposed to various primary and secondary sources that help them develop a sense of how the historical narrative was produced.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 8 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Instructor:** Ahmed

**NE STUD 170A Turkish Literature in Translation 3 Units**

A study of Turkish literature in translation, drawing on texts from the 8th to the 20th century. Readings will be chosen to illustrate the development within specific genres: lyric poetry, drama, folktale, etc.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 170B Turkish Literature in Translation 3 Units**

A study of Turkish literature in translation, drawing on texts from the 8th to the 20th century. Readings will be chosen to illustrate the development within specific genres: lyric poetry, drama, folktale, etc.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 173A Topics in the History of Central Asia and the Turks 3 Units**

A survey of the main themes in the cultural, ethnic, and linguistic history of Central Asia and adjacent regions, principally from the rise of Islam down to the present. The first half of the course will deal with the Iranian element in Central Asia, and particularly with the Tajiks. The second half will be devoted to the Turks, including their history and expansion, not only in Central Asia but also in Anatolia and South East Europe.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit as topic varies. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 173B Topics in the History of Central Asia and the Turks 3 Units**

A survey of the main themes in the cultural, ethnic, and linguistic history of Central Asia and adjacent regions, principally from the rise of Islam down to the present. The first half of the course will deal with the Iranian element in Central Asia, and particularly with the Tajiks. The second half will be devoted to the Turks, including their history and expansion, not only in Central Asia but also in Anatolia and South East Europe.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 174 Law and Society in the Early Modern Middle East 3 Units**

This course examines the social and religious lives of women and men through the lens of the law. A major concern is the relationship between law and culture, namely, the ways in which the law reflected ideals and tensions ranging from ideological competition between states to the problems of ordinary townspeople and peasants. In analyzing actual court cases, we will ask how individuals participated in the life of the court, and how they used the court to articulate their own self-interest and sense of moral worth. Readings will be in English. Students wishing to work with sources in the original Ottoman Turkish should also enroll in Turkish 104 (1 unit).

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 175 History and Culture of Afghanistan 3 Units**

This course will discuss Afghanistan from ancient times to the present, including the emergence of Afghanistan as a modern nation-state and its geo-strategic importance. The Soviet invasion and aftermath will be emphasized, along with issues of state and society, ethnic diversity and tribal structure, challenges of modernization, and nationalism and political identity. The role of religion and mystical orders and the role of art, music, and literature will also be discussed.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 180 The Quran and Its Interpretation 3 Units**

The course introduces students to Quran and to methods of its interpretation, as adopted in the exegetical (tafsir) literature. In addition to being exposed to secondary academic literature on the Quran and its exegesis, students will be offered a high dose of primary exegetical texts in translation. Passages from a number of periods and denominations will be selected, so that students may develop an appreciation of the interpretive range of a constantly-evolving tradition.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 8 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Instructor:** Asad Ahmed

**NE STUD 190A Special Topics in Fields of Near Eastern Studies: Ancient Near Eastern Studies 4 Units**

Topics explore themes and problems in the various fields of Near Eastern studies. They often reflect the research interests of the instructor and supplement regular curricular offerings. Specific descriptions of current offerings in this series are available through the department.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 8 weeks - 5.5 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 190B Special Topics in Fields of Near Eastern Studies: Egyptian Studies 4 Units**

Topics explore themes and problems in the various fields of Near Eastern studies. They often reflect the research interests of the instructor and supplement regular curricular offerings. Specific descriptions of current offerings in this series are available through the department.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 8 weeks - 5.5 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 190C Special Topics in Fields of Near Eastern Studies: Jewish Studies 4 Units**

Topics explore themes and problems in the various fields of Near Eastern studies. They often reflect the research interests of the instructor and supplement regular curricular offerings. Specific descriptions of current offerings in this series are available through the department.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 8 weeks - 5.5 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.



**NE STUD 190D Special Topics in Fields of Near Eastern Studies: Islamic Studies 4 Units**

Topics explore themes and problems in the various fields of Near Eastern studies. They often reflect the research interests of the instructor and supplement regular curricular offerings. Specific descriptions of current offerings in this series are available through the department.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:**

6 weeks - 10 hours of lecture per week

8 weeks - 5.5 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 190E Special Topics in Fields of Near Eastern Studies: Arabic 4 Units**

Topics explore themes and problems in the various fields of Near Eastern studies. They often reflect the research interests of the instructor and supplement regular curricular offerings. Specific descriptions of current offerings in this series are available through the department.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 8 weeks - 5.5 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 190H Special Topics in Fields of Near Eastern Studies: Hebrew 4 Units**

Topics explore themes and problems in the various fields of Near Eastern studies. They often reflect the research interests of the instructor and supplement regular curricular offerings. Specific descriptions of current offerings in this series are available through the department.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:** 8 weeks - 5.5 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 190I Special Topics in Fields of Near Eastern Studies: Iranian/Persian 4 Units**

Topics explore themes and problems in the various fields of Near Eastern studies. They often reflect the research interests of the instructor and supplement regular curricular offerings. Specific descriptions of current offerings in this series are available through the department.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Summer:**

6 weeks - 8 hours of lecture per week

8 weeks - 5.5 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 192A Undergrad Seminar: Problems and Research in Near Eastern Studies: Ancient Near Eastern Studies 2 or 4 Units**

This series is designed to acquaint upper division students with advanced research strategies in specific areas of Near Eastern Studies. The course may reflect current research and interests of the instructors and will introduce students to specialized problems in the field. Two units for presentation; four units for paper and presentation.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 10 hours of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 192B Undergrad Seminar: Problems and Research in Near Eastern Studies: Egyptian Studies 2 or 4 Units**

This series is designed to acquaint upper division students with advanced research strategies in specific areas of Near Eastern Studies. The course may reflect current research and interests of the instructors and will introduce students to specialized problems in the field. Two units for presentation; four units for paper and presentation.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 10 hours of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 192C Undergrad Seminar: Problems and Research in Near Eastern Studies: Jewish Studies 2 or 4 Units**

This series is designed to acquaint upper division students with advanced research strategies in specific areas of Near Eastern Studies. The course may reflect current research and interests of the instructors and will introduce students to specialized problems in the field. Two units for presentation; four units for paper and presentation.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 10 hours of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 192D Undergrad Seminar: Problems and Research in Near Eastern Studies: Islamic Studies 2 or 4 Units**

This series is designed to acquaint upper division students with advanced research strategies in specific areas of Near Eastern Studies. The course may reflect current research and interests of the instructors and will introduce students to specialized problems in the field. Two units for presentation; four units for paper and presentation.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 10 hours of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 192E Undergrad Seminar: Problems and Research in Near Eastern Studies: Arabic 2 or 4 Units**

This series is designed to acquaint upper division students with advanced research strategies in specific areas of Near Eastern Studies. The course may reflect current research and interests of the instructors and will introduce students to specialized problems in the field. Two units for presentation; four units for paper and presentation.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 10 hours of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 192F Undergrad Seminar: Problems and Research in Near Eastern Studies: Cuneiform 2 or 4 Units**

This series is designed to acquaint upper division students with advanced research strategies in specific areas of Near Eastern Studies. The course may reflect current research and interests of the instructors and will introduce students to specialized problems in the field. Two units for presentation; four units for paper and presentation.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 10 hours of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 192G Undergrad Seminar: Problems and Research in Near Eastern Studies: Egyptian 2 or 4 Units**

This series is designed to acquaint upper division students with advanced research strategies in specific areas of Near Eastern Studies. The course may reflect current research and interests of the instructors and will introduce students to specialized problems in the field. Two units for presentation; four units for paper and presentation.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 10 hours of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 192H Undergrad Seminar: Problems and Research in Near Eastern Studies: Hebrew 2 or 4 Units**

This series is designed to acquaint upper division students with advanced research strategies in specific areas of Near Eastern Studies. The course may reflect current research and interests of the instructors and will introduce students to specialized problems in the field. Two units for presentation; four units for paper and presentation.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 10 hours of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 192I Undergrad Seminar: Problems and Research in Near Eastern Studies: Iranian/Persian 2 or 4 Units**

This series is designed to acquaint upper division students with advanced research strategies in specific areas of Near Eastern Studies. The course may reflect current research and interests of the instructors and will introduce students to specialized problems in the field. Two units for presentation; four units for paper and presentation.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 10 hours of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 192J Undergrad Seminar: Problems and Research in Near Eastern Studies: Semitics 2 or 4 Units**

This series is designed to acquaint upper division students with advanced research strategies in specific areas of Near Eastern Studies. The course may reflect current research and interests of the instructors and will introduce students to specialized problems in the field. Two units for presentation; four units for paper and presentation.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 10 hours of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 192K Undergrad Seminar: Problems and Research in Near Eastern Studies: Turkish 2 or 4 Units**

This series is designed to acquaint upper division students with advanced research strategies in specific areas of Near Eastern Studies. The course may reflect current research and interests of the instructors and will introduce students to specialized problems in the field. Two units for presentation; four units for paper and presentation.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 10 hours of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**NE STUD 193 Near Eastern Archaeological Field School 6 Units**

This course teaches archaeological field methods through hands-on instruction. Students work with the project staff and receive exposure to techniques like excavation, survey, illustration, photography, and artifact processing. Students also learn local archaeology and history through weekly lectures and field trips.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** No prerequisites but courses in archaeology or Middle/Near Eastern studies are recommended

**Hours & Format**

**Summer:** 6 weeks - 40 hours of fieldwork, 5 hours of laboratory, and 2 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam not required.

**NE STUD H195 Senior Honors 2 - 4 Units**

Directed study centered upon preparation of an honors thesis.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Limited to senior honors candidates

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for a maximum of 4 units.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.

**NE STUD 198 Directed Group Study for Upper Division Students 1 - 4 Units**

Instruction in areas not covered by regularly scheduled courses: Phoenician, Cypriote, Syrian Archaeology.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 1-4 hours of directed group study per week

**Summer:** 8 weeks - 1.5-7.5 hours of directed group study per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.

**NE STUD 199 Supervised Independent Study and Research 1 - 4 Units**

Enrollment is restricted by regulations shown in the

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week

**Summer:**

6 weeks - 2.5-10 hours of independent study per week

8 weeks - 1.5-7.5 hours of independent study per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.

**NE STUD 200 Graduate Proseminar 1 Unit**

Introduction to the academic profession of Near Eastern studies. This course will survey the various disciplines and subfields contained under this rubric, including their developmental histories, methodologies, and primary and secondary data sources. Enrollment in this course is required of all graduate students during their first year of study.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 1-2 hours of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Letter grade.

**NE STUD 202 Fields, Methods and Current Trends in Ancient Egyptian and Near Eastern Studies 2 - 4 Units**

An introduction to the diversity of fields and disciplines that comprise ancient Egyptian and Near Eastern studies, including current and traditional methods and trends. Designed for candidates for higher degrees in Near Eastern Studies and related programs.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Consent of instructor

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** The grading option will be decided by the instructor when the class is offered.

**NE STUD 205 Using Cuneiform Texts in Research 3 Units**

This seminar is meant for graduate students who wish to use cuneiform texts (in original or in translation) for their research. The most general question that we will ask is: how does a text produce meaningful information? The seminar is organized around three tasks: evaluation of secondary literature, methodological reflection on the use of texts, and using cuneiform texts in a scholarly paper.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Basic knowledge (at least one year) of a cuneiform language

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit with consent of instructor. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Letter grade.

**NE STUD C220 Seminar in Near Eastern Art 2 or 4 Units**

Seminar on critical aspects of Near Eastern art requiring intensive study and presentation of a research paper. Topics vary from semester to semester.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Letter grade.

**Also listed as:** HISTART C220

**NE STUD 223 Seminar in Near Eastern Archaeology 2 or 4 Units**

Seminar on critical aspects of Near Eastern archaeology requiring intensive study and presentation of a research paper and oral report. Topics vary from semester to semester.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Letter grade.

**Formerly known as:** 223A-223B

**NE STUD 290A Special Studies: Near Eastern Studies 1 - 5 Units**

Students may enroll in more than one section of 290, but the total number of units of Special Study in any one semester may not exceed 12.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Consent of instructor

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week

**Summer:**

6 weeks - 2.5-12.5 hours of independent study per week

8 weeks - 1.5-9 hours of independent study per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Letter grade.

**NE STUD 290B Special Studies: Arabic 1 - 5 Units**

Students may enroll in more than one section of 290, but the total number of units of Special Study in any one semester may not exceed 12.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Consent of instructor

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week

**Summer:**

6 weeks - 2.5-12.5 hours of independent study per week

8 weeks - 1.5-9 hours of independent study per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Letter grade.

**NE STUD 290C Special Studies: Cuneiform 1 - 5 Units**

Students may enroll in more than one section of 290, but the total number of units of Special Study in any one semester may not exceed 12.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Consent of instructor

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week

**Summer:** 8 weeks - 1.5-9 hours of independent study per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Letter grade.

**NE STUD 290D Special Studies: Egyptian 1 - 5 Units**

Students may enroll in more than one section of 290, but the total number of units of Special Study in any one semester may not exceed 12.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Consent of instructor

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 1.5-9 hours of independent study per week

**Summer:** 8 weeks - 1.5-9 hours of independent study per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Letter grade.

**NE STUD 290E Special Studies: Hebrew 1 - 5 Units**

Students may enroll in more than one section of 290, but the total number of units of Special Study in any one semester may not exceed 12.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Consent of instructor

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week

**Summer:** 8 weeks - 1.5-9 hours of independent study per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Letter grade.

**NE STUD 290F Special Studies: Iranian 1 - 5 Units**

Students may enroll in more than one section of 290, but the total number of units of Special Study in any one semester may not exceed 12.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Consent of instructor

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week

**Summer:** 8 weeks - 1.5-9 hours of independent study per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Letter grade.

**NE STUD 290G Special Studies: Semitics 1 - 5 Units**

Students may enroll in more than one section of 290, but the total number of units of Special Study in any one semester may not exceed 12.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Consent of instructor

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week

**Summer:** 8 weeks - 1.5-9 hours of independent study per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Letter grade.



**NE STUD 290H Special Studies: Turkish 1 - 5 Units**

Students may enroll in more than one section of 290, but the total number of units of Special Study in any one semester may not exceed 12.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Consent of instructor

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week

**Summer:** 8 weeks - 1.5-9 hours of independent study per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Letter grade.

**NE STUD 291 Dissertation Writing Workshop 4 Units**

A faculty member will oversee the group, offering guidance and making sure guidelines are followed. Students will manage the group's day-to-day operations. At least one week before each meeting a student will pre-circulate a draft of a chapter. During the meeting, students will give feedback on the draft. This feedback will be used to revise the chapter, which will be due at the end of the semester. The workshop is open to graduate students from other departments who are writing on topics associated with Near Eastern Studies.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Advancement to candidacy, limited to students engaged in research for and writing of the doctoral dissertation

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 2 hours of workshop and 1.5 hours of directed group study per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Letter grade.

**NE STUD 292 Museum Internship 4 Units**

Jointly supervised by a professional staff of a participating museum and a faculty member in the Art and Archaeology division of the Department of Near Eastern Studies.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 10-15 hours of internship per week

**Summer:**

6 weeks - 24-35 hours of internship per week

8 weeks - 18-26 hours of internship per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.

**NE STUD N295 Supervised Field Research in Archaeology 2 - 8 Units**

Full time participation in an archaeological excavation or exploratory survey, preceded by three hours of seminar per week for one half of one semester, at the discretion of the instructor. Students will participate in all aspects of the operation and will be responsible for preparing a written report on some specific part of the work. Geographical areas and sites to be determined each year. Students taking the seminar only will receive 2 units only.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Summer:** 8 weeks - 2-8 hours of fieldwork per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Letter grade.

**NE STUD 296 Topics in Egyptian Art and Archaeology 2 or 4 Units**

Changing topics involving ancient Egyptian art and archaeology. Focus may be regional, chronological, methodological, and/or thematic.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** 102A-102B or 106A-106B or consent of instructor

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit as topic varies. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** The grading option will be decided by the instructor when the class is offered.

**NE STUD 297 Topics in Ancient Ceramics of Egypt and the Levant 2 or 4 Units**

Changing topics in the study of ancient ceramics, stressing the relationship between pottery on the one hand, and archaeological practice and research in Egypt and/or the Levant on the other hand. Emphasis is placed on the relationship between pottery and broader issues involving the history and culture of these regions. Where appropriate, extensive use is made of slides and "hands-on" experience with available ceramic collections (e.g., Hearst Museum collection.)

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** 102AB, 124AB or the equivalent; Consent of instructor

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit as topic varies. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** The grading option will be decided by the instructor when the class is offered.

**NE STUD 298 Seminar 1 - 4 Units**

Special topics in Near Eastern Studies. Topics vary and are announced at the beginning of each semester.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Consent of instructor

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 1-4 hours of seminar per week

**Summer:** 8 weeks - 2.5-7.5 hours of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Letter grade.

**NE STUD 299 Dissertation Research and Writing 3 - 12 Units**

All students advanced to candidacy must enroll in 299 every semester in which they are registered. When in residence, students are required to meet with their primary dissertation advisor at least twice a semester. Students not in residence should communicate either by phone or email with their advisor at least twice a semester. Semester grade will be based on written work turned in to the instructor to consist of at least one draft chapter of the dissertation or the equivalent.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Advancement to candidacy, limited to students engaged in research for and writing of the doctoral dissertation

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 4-12 hours of independent study per week

**Summer:** 8 weeks - 7.5-22.5 hours of independent study per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Graduate

**Grading:** Letter grade.

**NE STUD 375 Teaching Modern Near Eastern Languages in College:  
Seminar in Language Pedagogy 3 Units**

This course is an introductory course that surveys theories of learning and approaches to the teaching of foreign languages in college. Theories will be analyzed and students encouraged to test those theories against their own experiences as students and teachers. This course is designed for new Graduate Student Instructors of Hebrew, Arabic, Persian and Turkish. This course includes classroom observations and reflective teaching.

**Objectives Outcomes**

**Course Objectives:** 1. a theoretical background in the process of foreign language learning and teaching pedagogy  
2. a space to discuss and test these theories and develop their own teaching philosophy  
3. a place for current GSIs to discuss questions and issues that arise during their teaching  
4. practical experience in creating lesson plans, material adaptation and development, and assessment  
5. the opportunity to reflect on their own teaching and get feedback  
6. to explore issues particular to teaching all (or any) of the modern Near Eastern languages

**Student Learning Outcomes:** Students gain sufficient theoretical and practical background to prepare them for teaching language courses in NES.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Graduate Standing

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Professional course for teachers or prospective teachers

**Grading:** Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.

**Instructor:** Variable

**NE STUD 601 Individual Studies for Master's Students 1 - 8 Units**  
Individual study for the comprehensive or language requirements in consultation with the graduate adviser. Units may not be used to meet either unit or residence requirements for a master's degree.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week

**Summer:** 8 weeks - 1.5-15 hours of independent study per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Graduate examination preparation

**Grading:** Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.

**NE STUD 602 Individual Study for Doctoral Students 1 - 8 Units**  
Individual study in consultation with the major field adviser, intended to provide an opportunity for qualified students to prepare themselves for the various examinations required of candidates for the Ph.D. May not be used for unit or residence requirements for the doctoral degree.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

**Fall and/or spring:** 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week

**Summer:** 8 weeks - 1.5-15 hours of independent study per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Near Eastern Studies/Graduate examination preparation

**Grading:** Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.