

Medieval Studies

Minor

The program in Medieval Studies offers an undergraduate interdisciplinary minor in Medieval Studies. The minor has three principal purposes:

1. To give undergraduate students who have an interest in Medieval Studies the benefit of advising about what courses are available in the various departments and how certain courses might fit together into a meaningful sequence or cluster.
2. To enable students to be informed about lectures, colloquia, social events, and conferences of interest to them.
3. To allow those undergraduates who complete substantial work in Medieval Studies to have that fact acknowledged. Should those students wish to pursue further academic work after graduation, their chances of success in the competition for admission to graduate school will be enhanced not just because of the official notice on their transcript but because they will have gained greater professional competence through informed participation in the Medieval Studies program at Berkeley.

Declaring the Minor

Students may declare the Medieval Studies Minor once they have declared a major and completed one upper-division course towards the minor. At that time, students should meet with the Medieval Studies Minor Adviser to fill out a Minor Registration Card. Undergraduate Minor Advising office hours can be found here (<http://medieval.berkeley.edu/people/administration/>).

Students who have a strong interest in an area of study outside their major often decide to complete a minor program. These programs have set requirements and are noted officially on the transcript in the memoranda section, but they are not noted on diplomas.

General Guidelines

1. All minors must be declared no later than one semester before a student's Expected Graduation Term (EGT). If the semester before EGT is fall or spring, the deadline is the last day of RRR week. If the semester before EGT is summer, the deadline is the final Friday of Summer Sessions. To declare a minor, contact the department advisor for information on requirements, and the declaration process.
2. All courses taken to fulfill the minor requirements below must be taken for graded credit.
3. A minimum of three of the upper division courses taken to fulfill the minor requirements must be completed at UC Berkeley.
4. A minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 is required for courses used to fulfill the minor requirements.
5. Courses used to fulfill the minor requirements may be applied toward the Seven-Course Breadth requirement, for Letters & Science students.
6. No more than one upper division course may be used to simultaneously fulfill requirements for a student's major and minor programs.
7. All minor requirements must be completed prior to the last day of finals during the semester in which the student plans to graduate. If

students cannot finish all courses required for the minor by that time, they should see a College of Letters & Science adviser.

8. All minor requirements must be completed within the unit ceiling. (For further information regarding the unit ceiling, please see the College Requirements tab.)
9. Please visit the Medieval Studies Undergraduate Minor webpage (<http://medieval.berkeley.edu/programs/undergraduate/>) for more information on the minor and qualifying courses.

Requirements

Five upper division courses on medieval topics. Only three of the five courses may be from the same department.

Recommended Courses

Students who are contemplating advanced work in Medieval Studies should, if possible, take HISTORY 4B early in their undergraduate career. Other lower division courses are also recommended (e.g., ITALIAN 30), but only upper division courses can be counted toward the minor.

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MED ST 150 Studies in Medieval Culture 2 - 4 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2010, Spring 2009, Spring 2008

Normally three hours of lecture per week for fifteen weeks. In the event that the instructor is in residence for fewer than fifteen weeks, the course may be offered for either 2 or 3 units of credit, in proportion to the number of actual contact hours. Course may be repeated for credit. Normally taught by the Visiting Distinguished Professor of Medieval Studies. An interdisciplinary exploration of Medieval culture, focusing on an area of the instructor's expertise. Specific topic varies with instructor.

Studies in Medieval Culture: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring:

6 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 7.5-10 hours of lecture per week
 7.5 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
 8 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 4-8 hours of lecture per week
 15 weeks - 2-4 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Medieval Studies/Undergraduate

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

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MED ST 200 Introduction to Research Materials and Methods 4 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2023, Spring 2021, Spring 2019

The graduate proseminar. Basic materials and resources in fields represented in the Medieval Studies program, and in some subjects involving expertise in more than one discipline (e.g., liturgy, codicology). Emphasis on methods of interdisciplinary research, research tools, and critical evaluation of their use.

Introduction to Research Materials and Methods: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Graduate standing or consent of instructor

Hours & Format

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

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Medieval Studies/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

Introduction to Research Materials and Methods: Read Less [-]

MED ST 205 Medieval Manuscripts as Primary Sources 4 Units

Terms offered: Fall 2012, Fall 2007, Fall 1998

This course explores the use of medieval manuscripts as primary sources for contemporary scholarship and as evidence of book culture in the medieval West.

Medieval Manuscripts as Primary Sources: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Graduate standing or consent of instructor

Hours & Format

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

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Medieval Studies/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

Medieval Manuscripts as Primary Sources: Read Less [-]

MED ST 210 Paleography and Codicology 4 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2019, Fall 2017, Fall 2016

Instruction in Medieval Latin paleography and/or the paleography of one or more of the medieval vernacular languages of Western Europe, emphasizing the evolution of scripts as well as practice in reading them. Ancillary instruction in the principles of codicology with attention to the process of text-making and book manufacture.

Paleography and Codicology: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Consent of Instructor required

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

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Medieval Studies/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

Paleography and Codicology: Read Less [-]

MED ST 250 Seminar in Medieval Culture 2 - 4 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2018, Fall 2017, Spring 2010

Taught by the Distinguished Visiting Professor of Medieval Studies on a topic related to his or her specialty. In the event that the instructor is in residence for fewer than 15 weeks, the course will be offered for either 2 or 3 units of credit, in proportion to the number of actual contact hours.

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Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Graduate standing

Credit Restrictions: Course may be taken for less than 4 units on a <satisfactory/unsatisfactory> basis with consent of instructor.

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format

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

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Medieval Studies/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

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