

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.

General Guidelines

1. All minors must be declared before the first day of classes in your Expected Graduation Term (EGT). For summer graduates, minors must be declared prior to the first day of Summer Session A.
2. All upper-division courses must be taken for a letter grade.
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 in the upper-division courses 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.)

Requirements

Five upper division courses on medieval topics. Only three of the five courses may be from the same department. For questions about classes that can be used for the minor please contact Jonas Wellendorf (wellendorf@berkeley.edu) and CC Jacki Valadez (jvaladez@berkeley.edu).

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.