

Turkish

Minor

The Turkish minor introduces students to the language, peoples, cultures, and histories of the Turkish-speaking world. The minor develops the student's command of reading, writing, speaking, and comprehension in the Turkish language and may complement the student's intended major study. Students minoring in Turkish must satisfy the lower division prerequisite requirements. Students may also take a language proficiency exam to waive the elementary and intermediate language courses. Please meet with the undergraduate major advisor to discuss course options and study abroad plans.

Declaring the Minor

Students may declare the Turkish minor as soon as they begin their study at UC Berkeley. Please find the minor declaration form in the Middle Eastern Languages and Cultures department or email the undergraduate major advisor. Students must declare the minor *no later than the semester before their Expected Graduation Term (EGT)*. Please see the L&S minor guidelines (<https://lsadvising.berkeley.edu/majors-minors/minors/>) page for more information.

Other Majors and Minors offered by the Middle Eastern Languages and Cultures (MELC) Department

Middle Eastern Languages and Cultures (<https://guide.berkeley.edu/archive/2024-25/undergraduate/degree-programs/middle-eastern-languages-cultures/>) (Major and Minor)

Arabic (<https://guide.berkeley.edu/archive/2024-25/undergraduate/degree-programs/arabic/>) (Minor)

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Persian (<https://guide.berkeley.edu/archive/2024-25/undergraduate/degree-programs/persian/>) (Minor)

Turkish (<https://guide.berkeley.edu/archive/2024-25/undergraduate/degree-programs/turkish/>) (Minor)

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

The Turkish minor program requires five upper-division courses in Turkish literature, culture, or history.

Lower Division Requirements 10

TURKISH 1A Elementary Modern Turkish [5]

TURKISH 1B Elementary Modern Turkish [5]

Upper Division Requirements 15-20

Turkish Language and Literature

TURKISH 100A Intermediate Modern Turkish [5]

Select two of the following:

TURKISH 100E Intermediate Modern Turkish [5]

TURKISH 101A Readings in Modern Turkish [3]

TURKISH 101E Readings in Modern Turkish [3]

TURKISH 198 Directed Group Study for Upper Division Students [1-4]

TURKISH 199 Supervised Independent Study and Research [1-4]

Turkish Culture and History

Select two courses:

Students may choose courses related to Turkish culture and history from other departments. Courses must be approved by a faculty major advisor to count towards the minor requirement.

MELC 118 Writing Systems of the World [4]

MELC 119 Explorers, Archaeologists, and Tourists in the Middle East [4]

MELC C121 Topics in Islamic Art [4]

MELC 126 Silk Road Art and Archaeology [3]

MELC 128 Art and Archaeology of Ancient Turkey [4]

MELC 129 Arts of Iran and Central Asia [4]

MELC 140 Topics in Islamic Thought and Institutions [3]

MELC 141 Modern and Contemporary Islamic Thought [3]

MELC 142 Shi'ite Islam [3]

MELC 144 Sufism: The Mysticism of Islam [3]

MELC 146 Islam [4]

MELC 147 The Rise of Islamic Civilization [4]

MELC 148 Emergence of the Modern Middle East [4]

MELC 149 The Modern Middle East from WWI to the Present [4]

MELC 151 Middle Eastern Women Writers [4]

MELC 153 Synagogues, Cathedrals, and Mosques: The Rise and Fall of Islamic Spain [4]

MELC 155 The Thousand and One Nights in World Literary Imagination [3]

MELC 156 Sociolinguistics of the Middle East [4]

MELC 157 Reel Arabs: Film and Fiction in the Middle East [4]

MELC 158AC Middle East: Post-Colonialism, Migration, and Diaspora [4]

MELC 159 Middle East, Empire, and Orientalism [4]

MELC 170	Islamic History and Historiography (600-1050) [3]	
MELC 171	Turkish Literature in Translation [3]	
MELC 173	Topics in the History of Central Asia and the Turks [3]	
MELC 174	Law and Society in the Early Modern Middle East [3]	
MELC 180	The Quran and Its Interpretation [4]	
MELC 192K	Undergrad Seminar: Problems and Research in Middle Eastern Studies: Turkish [2,4]	
MELC 198	Directed Group Study for Upper Division Students [1-4]	
MELC 199	Supervised Independent Study and Research [1-4]	
Total Units		25-30

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TURKISH 1A Elementary Modern Turkish 5 Units

Terms offered: Fall 2025, Fall 2024, Fall 2023

Sequence begins Fall.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 5 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Turkish/Undergraduate

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

TURKISH 1B Elementary Modern Turkish 5 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2025, Spring 2024, Spring 2023

Sequence begins Fall.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 5 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Turkish/Undergraduate

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

TURKISH 10 Elementary Turkish 10 Units

Terms offered: Summer 1997 10 Week Session, Summer 1995 10 Week Session

This course is equivalent to a full year of elementary Turkish. It will train students in the four language skills speaking, comprehension, reading, and writing. It will be taught with an interactional approach, aiming at communicative competence.

Rules & Requirements

Credit Restrictions: Students will receive no credit for Turkish 10 after completing Turkish 1A-1B.

Hours & Format

Summer: 8 weeks - 20 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Turkish/Undergraduate

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

TURKISH 100A Intermediate Modern Turkish 5 Units

Terms offered: Fall 2025, Fall 2023, Fall 2021

Sequence begins Fall.

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: 1A-1B or equivalent

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 5 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Turkish/Undergraduate

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

TURKISH 100B Intermediate Modern Turkish 5 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2025, Spring 2024, Spring 2022

Sequence begins Fall.

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: 1A-1B or equivalent

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 5 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Turkish/Undergraduate

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

TURKISH 101A Readings in Modern Turkish 3 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2025, Spring 2023, Fall 2020

Selected topics from modern Turkish literary works.

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: 100A-100B or consent of instructor

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

Hours & Format

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

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Turkish/Undergraduate

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

TURKISH 101B Readings in Modern Turkish 3 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2017, Spring 2016

Selected topics from modern Turkish literary works.

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: 100A-100B or equivalent

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit with instructor consent.

Hours & Format

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

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Turkish/Undergraduate

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

TURKISH H195 Senior Honors 2 - 4 Units

Terms offered: Prior to 2007

Directed study centered upon preparation of an honors thesis.

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Limited to senior honors candidates

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit up to a total of 4 units.

Hours & Format

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

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Turkish/Undergraduate

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

TURKISH 198 Directed Group Study for Upper Division Students 1 - 4 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2022, Fall 2021, Spring 2021

Instruction in areas not covered by regularly scheduled courses.

Rules & Requirements

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

Hours & Format

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

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Turkish/Undergraduate

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

TURKISH 199 Supervised Independent Study and Research 1 - 4 Units

Terms offered: Fall 2000

Enrollment is restricted by regulations in the .

Rules & Requirements

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

Hours & Format

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

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Turkish/Undergraduate

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