Global Middle East Studies, B.A.

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The Global Middle East Studies major offers students an in-depth, interdisciplinary grounding in the histories and present-day realities of the Middle East in a global context. The goal is to ensure students have a well-developed and competitive foundation to continue their studies at the graduate level in the U.S. and globally, and/or begin a career in law, business, consulting, foreign affairs, humanitarian affairs, medicine, science, or security studies, in which both theoretical and practical/first-hand knowledge of the regions we study are equally important.

Global Middle East Studies is both an attractive program and the perfect complement to numerous other programs on campus, particularly those with a disciplinary focus such as history, comparative literature, anthropology, political science, sociology, art history, international studies, global cultures, business, pre-law and criminology, pre-med, computer and information sciences, engineering, and other physical sciences.

Requirements for the B.A. in Global Middle East Studies

All students must meet the University Requirements (http://catalogue.uci.edu/informationforadmittedstudents/requirementsforabachelorsdegree/).

All students must meet the School Requirements (http://catalogue.uci.edu/schoolofhumanities/#schoolrequirementstext).

Requirements for the Major

A. Complete the following:

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<td>GLBL ME 60A-60B-60C</td>
<td>Humanities and Arts: Problems and Methods for Global Middle East Studies and Social Sciences: Problems and Methods for Global Middle East Studies and Social Ecology and Sciences: Problems and Methods for Global Middle East Studies</td>
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B. Complete course work equivalent to UCI’s sixth quarter of study (2C level) in one of the following single languages: Arabic, Persian, or Hebrew. Students may also petition to complete the requirement in other languages.

C. Complete four upper-division courses, selected from two of the following emphases (eight total):¹

1. Environment, Economies, and Conflicts
2. Histories, Cultures, and Identities
3. Geographies, Migrations, and Politics

¹ Courses must be selected from the approved lists published on the Global Middle East Studies website (http://www.humanities.uci.edu/gmes/).

Residence Requirement for the Major: A minimum of five upper-division courses required for the major must be completed successfully at UCI.