

MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICAN STUDIES (MENA) CERTIFICATE

The following requirements are in addition to, or further elaborate upon, those requirements outlined in The Graduate School Policy Guide (<https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/tgs/academic-policies-procedures/>).

Certificate

Total Units Required: 5

Course Requirements:

To complete a certificate in MENA, students must take 5 courses:

MENA 410 and/or MENA 411

- **MENA 410-0 Pro-Seminar in Middle East and North African Studies** Introduces students to key scholarly literature in the field, drawn from a variety of disciplines. (Taught in alternating years.)
- **MENA 411-0 Approaches and Perspectives in MENA Studies** Surveys differing disciplinary approaches to the study of the Middle East and North Africa, often organized around a theme. (Taught in alternating years.)

MENA 412

- **MENA 412-1 MENA Graduate Colloquium** Year long colloquium featuring student presentations of work in progress and faculty comment. (Taught annually. May be taken for 1 course credit—requires presentation—or zero-credit enrollment. Students are expected to enroll for more than one year of MENA 412, though only once for course credit.)

Two or three electives related to MENA

Electives may be drawn from graduate offerings in departments including but not limited to: Anthropology, Art History, Comparative Literary Studies, History, Political Science, Religion, Radio/Television/Video/Film. All electives are by permission of the Program Director.

Other Certificate Requirements:

- **Language Requirement:** The Certificate Program requires proficiency in one of the primary languages of the MENA region: Arabic, Turkish, Persian, Hebrew, or Tamazight. The certificate language requirement may be satisfied by examination, either through Northwestern or an approved alternate; by oral examination/evaluation; or through a translation project supervised by a MENA faculty member and with approval of the DGS/Program Director.