



University of California, Santa Barbara
Program Learning Outcomes

B.A. in Middle East Studies

Students graduating with a B.A. in Middle East Studies should be able to:

Language

1. a. Reach an intermediate-to-advanced level of reading proficiency in a pre-modern language of the Middle East and North Africa.

Or

1. b. Reach an intermediate-to-advanced level of reading, writing, and speaking proficiency in a modern language of the Middle East and North Africa.

Cultures

2. Relate some of the ways in which the cultural, religious, and intellectual works generated by Judaism, Christianity, and Islam intertwine with one another.
3. Identify the role that the Arts play in the development and maintenance of cultures in the Middle East and North Africa.

History, Politics, and Society

4. Review some of the rich histories of the Middle East and North Africa, and, where relevant, their implications for today's realities in the region.
5. Critically evaluate some of the political and social forces that have shaped histories in the Middle East and North Africa.