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The Council on Middle East Studies is part of the Whitney and Betty MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies. The council brings together faculty and students sharing an interest in the Middle East by sponsoring conferences, discussions, films, and lecture series by scholars from Yale as well as visiting scholars. It provides information concerning grants, fellowships, research programs, and foreign study opportunities. It also administers research projects in a variety of Middle East-related areas.

In addition to the resources of the individual departments, Yale's library system has much to offer the student interested in Middle East studies. Of particular note are the collections of Arabic and Persian manuscripts, as well as large holdings on the medieval and modern Middle East.

The Council on Middle East Studies administers the Middle East Studies National Resource Center at Yale, which is funded by the U.S. Department of Education under HEA Title VI. As a National Resource Center, the council supports a number of projects and activities and an extensive outreach program.

The council also offers a Graduate Certificate of Concentration in Modern Middle East Studies. Students with an interest in the Middle East should first apply to one of the University's degree-granting departments, such as Anthropology, History, Linguistics, Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations, Political Science, Religious Studies, or Sociology, and then apply for the graduate certificate of concentration no later than the beginning of their penultimate term of study.

GRADUATE CERTIFICATE OF CONCENTRATION IN MODERN MIDDLE EAST STUDIES

The certificate represents acknowledgment of substantial preparation in Middle East studies, both in the student's major graduate or professional field and also in terms of the disciplinary and geographical diversity required by the council for recognized competency in the field of Middle East studies. As language and culture are the core of the area studies concept, students are required to attain or demonstrate language proficiency.

Requirements

1. Language proficiency: At least two years of successful study at the college level (or the equivalent) in one of the four major modern languages of the Middle East: Arabic, Hebrew, Persian, and Turkish.
2. Course work: A total of six courses in at least two disciplines on the Middle East and related issues. All courses must be completed with a passing grade.
3. Interdisciplinary research paper: A qualifying research paper that demonstrates field-specific research ability focused on the area of concentration. After having completed substantial course work in the area of concentration, students must seek approval from the council faculty adviser for the research project they propose as

the qualifying paper. Normally, students submit their request no later than the fourth week of the term in which they plan to submit the qualifying paper.

For more information on the Graduate Certificate and inquiries about Middle East Studies, contact the Council on Middle East Studies, Yale University, PO Box 208206, New Haven CT 06520-8206; cristin.siebert@yale.edu.