**ARAB CROSSROADS SAMPLE SCHEDULE**

**YEAR 1**

**Fall Semester**
- CORE
- CORE
- ARABIC
- ACS ELECTIVE
- January Term
- GENERAL ELECTIVE

**Spring Semester**
- GENERAL ELECTIVE
- GENERAL ELECTIVE
- GENERAL ELECTIVE
- GENERAL ELECTIVE

**YEAR 2**

**Fall Semester**
- CORE
- MODERN ARABIC LITERATURE AND SOCIETY
- EMERGENCE OF THE MODERN MIDDLE EAST
- January Term
- GENERAL ELECTIVE

**Spring Semester**
- GENERAL ELECTIVE
- GENERAL ELECTIVE
- GENERAL ELECTIVE
- GENERAL ELECTIVE

**YEAR 3**

**Fall Semester**
- GENERAL ELECTIVE
- GENERAL ELECTIVE
- GENERAL ELECTIVE
- GENERAL ELECTIVE
- January Term
- GENERAL ELECTIVE

**Spring Semester**
- CORE
- PROBLEMS AND METHODS IN ACS
- ACS ELECTIVE

**YEAR 4**

**Fall Semester**
- CORE
- ACS ELECTIVE
- GENERAL ELECTIVE
- CAPSTONE
- January Term
- GENERAL ELECTIVE

**Spring Semester**
- CORE
- ACS ELECTIVE
- GENERAL ELECTIVE
- CAPSTONE

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**ARAB CROSSROADS COURSES**

**REQUIRED COURSES**

**ACS-AD 118X**
*Introduction to Modern Arabic Literature and Society*

Offered every year
- Fall 2013
  - Prof. Hassan
  - Crosslisted with Literature

**ACS-AD 101X**
*Anthropology and the Arab World*

Offered every year
- Spring 2014
  - Prof. Caton
  - Crosslisted with Anthropology, SRPP

**ACS-AD 118X**
*How have anthropologists encountered, written about, and produced the “Arab world” over the past century?*

Beginning with early Western travelers’ imaginaries of Arabia and ending with an ethnography of Egyptian dreamscapes, this course provides an introduction to the anthropological and everyday realities of people living in the region. Through ethnography, literature, film, and fieldtrips, we explore such topics as colonialism, nation building and development, family, gender and piety, labor migration, diaspora and pilgrimage, globalisation, media, and mediation.

**ACS-AD 131X**
*Emergence of the Modern Middle East*

Offered every year
- Fall 2013
  - Arab Crossroad Studies faculty
  - Crosslisted with History

**Making of the Muslim Middle East**

At the crossroads between Asia, Africa and Europe, the region that Europeans and North Americans labeled “The Middle East” presents a dynamic and heterogeneous landscape of peninsulas and isthmuses, republics and monarchies, oil producing countries, and labor exporting nations. This course examines the recent history of the region from the mid-18th century until the Arab uprisings of 2010–2012. We explore the last Islamic empires, the intrusion of European colonial powers, the modernist, nationalist and Islamic reactions to aggression, the creation of authoritarian systems of power and the multiformal protests that have shaken them. The Egyptian, Iranian, Palestinian, and Saudi experiences are examined more closely.

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**ELECTIVES: HISTORY AND RELIGION**

**ACS-AD 290X**
*Problems and Methods in Arab Crossroads Studies*

Offered every year
- Spring 2014
  - Prof. Stearns

This seminar introduces students to the main theoretical and epistemological trends in the study of the Arab crossroads region, and offers practical examples of the methodologies used by scholars in the humanities and the qualitative social sciences. We begin with the strengths and weaknesses of area studies, and the politics of producing knowledge on a region of global economic and political importance, then turn to specific areas of research that have attracted attention in the fields of history, anthropology, literature, and politics, before exploring the various methodological approaches used by practitioners of these fields. The course culminates in an extended research proposal for a capstone project.