

UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE FORMS

Academic Program Approval

This form is a routing document for the approval of new and revised academic programs. Proposing department should complete this form. For more information, call the Faculty Senate Office at 831-2921.

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Action: add Arab Studies Certificate
(Example: add major/minor/concentration, delete major/minor/concentration, revise major/minor/concentration, academic unit name change, request for permanent status, policy change, etc.)

Effective term 11F
(use format 04F, 05W)

Current degree n/a
(Example: BA, BACH, BACJ, HBA, EDD, MA, MBA, etc.)

Proposed change leads to the degree of:
certificate
(Example: BA, BACH, BACJ, HBA, EDD, MA, MBA, etc.)

Proposed name: Certificate in Arabic
Proposed new name for revised or new major / minor / concentration / academic unit (if applicable)

Revising or Deleting:

Undergraduate major / Concentration: n/a
(Example: Applied Music – Instrumental degree BMAS)

Undergraduate minor: n/a
(Example: African Studies, Business Administration, English, Leadership, etc.)

Graduate Program Policy statement change: n/a
(Must attach your Graduate Program Policy Statement)

Graduate Program of Study: n/a
(Example: Animal Science: MS Animal Science: PHD Economics: MA Economics: PHD)

Graduate minor / concentration: n/a

Note: all graduate studies proposals must include an electronic copy of the Graduate Program Policy Document, highlighting the changes made to the original policy document.

List new courses required for the new or revised curriculum. How do they support the overall program objectives of the major/minor/concentrations)?

(Be aware that approval of the curriculum is dependent upon these courses successfully passing through the Course Challenge list. If there are no new courses enter “None”)

Arab 208 Contemporary North Africa

Explain, when appropriate, how this new/revised curriculum supports the 10 goals of undergraduate education: <http://www.ugs.udel.edu/gened/>

1. **Attain effective skills in oral and written communication, quantitative reasoning and the use of information technology.**

Arab 201 and 208 are focused around the four language skills and students will continue improving their oral and written abilities in the conversation and grammar courses. This will enable them to access major information and news websites in Arabic such as Aljazeera.net and other sites where they can listen to the news online, news podcasts, read and understand stories and news updates

10. **Develop an international perspective in order to live and work effectively in an increasingly global society:**

Students will be familiarized with some of the issues of the modern Middle East and some of the important concerns in the Arab world today such as: the place and the role of Women in the society, the Palestinian Israeli conflict, the place of Islam in a Global world etc. Students will also be exposed to the ways Arab writers and intellectuals deal with the major backlashes, hopes and frustrations of the Arab society today such as the lack of freedom and resources, the emergence of extremism and wars...

8. **Expand understanding and appreciation of human creativity and diverse forms of aesthetic and intellectual expression:**

Through the examination of different literary materials (novels, plays, movies, short stories, poems...) in the literature course FLLT 367 students will appreciate different aesthetic forms and creative perspectives from the Arab world

Identify other units affected by the proposed changes:

(Attach permission from the affected units. If no other unit is affected, enter "None")

None

Describe the rationale for the proposed program change(s):

(Explain your reasons for creating, revising, or deleting the curriculum or program.)

The study of the Arabic language and culture is prospering at UD. We are witnessing a high demand and enrollment has increased. As a first step to build the program we need to establish a minor and a certificate in Arabic. This will attract more attention to our program and we expect to have an increased enrollment in the future once the minor and the certificate are approved.

Program Requirements:

(Show the new or revised curriculum as it should appear in the Course Catalog. If this is a revision, be sure to indicate the changes being made to the current curriculum and **include a side-by-side comparison** of the credit distribution before and after the proposed change.)

The certificate will include 4 courses from FLL (12 credits)

Arabic Courses

Study Abroad Session in Tunisia:

Arab 200 Advanced Intermediate Arabic	3 credits
Arab 208 Contemporary North Africa	3 credits

Delaware Campus: (Check Undergraduate Catalog for prerequisites)

Arab 201 Arabic grammar and composition	3 credits
Arab 205 Arabic conversation	3 credits

ROUTING AND AUTHORIZATION: (Please do not remove supporting documentation.)

Department Chairperson _____ Date _____

Dean of College _____ Date _____

Chairperson, College Curriculum Committee _____ Date _____

Chairperson, Senate Com. on UG or GR Studies _____ Date _____

Chairperson, Senate Coordinating Com. _____ Date _____

Secretary, Faculty Senate _____ Date _____

Date of Senate Resolution _____ Date to be Effective _____

Registrar _____ Program Code _____ Date _____

Vice Provost for Academic Affairs & International Programs _____ Date _____

Provost _____ Date _____

Board of Trustee Notification _____ Date _____

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