Arabic Program



Department of World Languages and Literatures

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THE B.A. IN Arabic In The College of Arts and Letters **California State University**, San Bernardino Is ONE of only TWO in California Among public and private universities. It PROVIDES an ENGAGING **Experience** that **Exposes** Students To Rich Language, Literature and Culture and Enhances Their Ability to **Comprehend the Multifaceted** Aspects and Complexities of the Arabic and Islamic World.







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Studying another language truly places the world in your hands and prepares you to meet and work with people from other cultures. With the advancement of technology and the global marketplace, learning another language enhances job opportunities and increases memory and critical thinking skills.







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Why study Arabic?

Arabic is the 5th most spoken language in the world. It is your main key to connecting with people and cultures in more than 20 countries where Arabic is the official language. It is also the liturgical language of more than 1.4 billion Muslims around the world and is commonly used by more than 3.5 million American and Canadian citizens of Arab descent.



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Concentrations and Career Paths

Majoring in Arabic

Majoring in Arabic provides a strong and competitive professional background and opens career opportunities, especially when combined with an appropriate second major, a teaching credential or a specialized graduate degree. Arabic majors graduate with an intermediate high level of speaking and writing Arabic.

Minor/Certificate in Arabic

Minor and certificate programs in Arabic teach students to learn and write the Arabic language at an intermediate level. Exposure to Arabic language, culture and literature strengthens a student's background when combined with a major from another discipline.





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Effective intercultural communication in Arabic opens up doors to innumerable opportunities for local and global partnerships and collaborations, highly sought-after positions, as well as rewarding and enriching cultural experiences. Many companies, NGOs (non-governmental organizations), and public sector organizations actively recruit graduates who are proficient in Arabic. Additionally, many internships and jobs at the U.S. Department of State, U.S. Department of Defense, and the United Nations are available to students who major or minor in Arabic.

-Health Care -History -Linguistics

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Career Opportunities

Disciplines in high need in the Arab World:

-Anthropology -International Business -Communication Studies -Criminal Justice -Political Science -Social Studies



Past and Present Students



Janelle Hrycyk graduated with a dual bachelor's degree in Arabic and communication studies in public relations in June 2017. She is currently serving in the United States Air Force as a 2nd Lt stationed out at Minot, AFB North Dakota.

"My knowledge of the Arabic language and culture gave me the edge I needed to pursue my dream."

- Janelle Hrycyk | Alumna

Trey Sims, pictured below, is one of our alumni that has been assisting Syrian refugee families residing in Southern California. His achievements in learning Arabic have been remarkable; he is utilizing his studies of Arabic language, literature, and culture every day to make a difference in his life and the world around him.





"My certificate has influenced my future because I am now aware of a different culture other than my own." -Denise Flores



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"As a dual major at CSUSB in public relations and Arabic studies, I knew that exposing myself to more than one subject would expand my career options for the future."

"I had the incredible opportunity to continue studying the Arabic language by traveling to Amman, Jordan and attending school at Qasid Institute for nine weeks."

-Natalie Bedney | Alumna (Pictured on right)





Center for Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies

The Center for Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies (CIMES) at CSUSB serves as a flagship for international dialogue and academic excellence for students and faculty as well as the local and international communities. The center supports research, lectureships, curriculum development and community outreach in order to advance the study of Islam and the Middle East.

Teaching

CIMES faculty members teach and supervise students in our certificate and minor programs in Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies. The center continues to encourage, support and assist our students in study abroad and student exchange programs focused on the Middle East and the Muslim world.

Research

CIMES faculty have been active in a wide range of activities including hosting and participating in national and international scholarly conferences, serving in editorial roles for scholarly journals and periodicals, publishing coauthored research findings with Middle Eastern scholars, and working toward broadening our shared interests in higher education with universities and institutes in the Middle East and Muslim world. The Center contributes to research and scholarship by housing and contributing to the peer-reviewed journal, Arab Studies Quarterly.



Library Expansion

Through grants and gifts, the CIMES faculty have been instrumental in the selection and addition of hundreds of texts and audio-visual materials to the university library. One of the goals of the Center is to offer students, researchers and the wider local community access to one of the largest collections of Islamic and Middle East holdings in the California State University system.





Partnerships, Collaborations and Community Outreach

CIMES faculty serve both CSUSB and the local community by offering seminars, panels, lectures, art exhibits, films, documentary screenings, and other public events. The latter includes sponsorship and organization of events that focus on inter-faith dialogue. The Center continues to be a leader in establishing dialogue with its partner universities in the Middle East as well as with institutions and organizations in Southern California, such as the World Affairs Council of Inland Empire and The Morrow McCombs Memorial Lecture Series Committee.



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The College of Arts and Letters offers **DEGREES** that will help **YOU** achieve your educational & professional GOALS



















The academic mission of the Department of Communication Studies is to nurture students' abilities to integrate theoretical, critical, multicultural and ethical perspectives on communication and apply them to issues and demands confronting them in their personal and professional lives.

Art

The Department of Art inspires creativity and innovation through artistic and intellectual inquiry. We develop future artists, designers, scholars, patrons and educators into innovative thinkers, creative problem solvers, compassionate human beings and lifelong learners.

English

The Department of English has an award winning faculty of scholar teachers with a range of specializations. We offer a variety of degree programs and ensure that English majors are prepared with literature skills for a wide range of careers.

Music

The Department of Music provides students with a rigorous musical education as a foundation for a lifelong understanding and love of music, as well as preparation for a wide variety of 21st century musical careers.

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College of Arts & Letters Departments

Liberal Studies

The mission of the Department of Liberal Studies Program is to ensure academic exactitude in preparing students who will become the educators, mentors and leaders in our nation's schools and other careers throughout society.

Theatre Arts

The mission of the Department of Theatre Arts is to provide our majors with a thorough grounding in the theory and practice of theatre. The curriculum places emphasis on developing aesthetic awareness of the individual theatrical arts and exploring their collaborative relationships.

World Languages & Literatures

The Department of World Languages & Literatures offers a variety of courses in the languages of the world, including American Sign Language, Arabic, Chinese, French, Japanese, Korean, Spanish, and Native American languages Serrano, Luiseño, Cahuilla, and Nāhuatl.

Philosophy

The Department of Philosophy addresses the student's need for personal growth and understanding by addressing the history of human intellectual thought and fundamental guestions in areas such as logic, science and ethics.



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CSUSB Admission

California State University, San Bernardino welcomes new undergraduate first year and transfer students in the fall term. The application period is fall of the year prior to the term of your intended enrollment. To determine your eligibility for admission, please visit csusb.edu/admissions.

Cal State Apply

All applications to the California State University system campus are submitted through Cal State Apply. Cal State Apply is a resource for gathering information about particular campuses and programs, understanding impaction requirements and for submission of your application.

When you are ready to complete your application to Cal State San Bernardino through Cal State Apply, be sure to have the following items on hand:

First Year Student (Freshman) **Application Checklist**

- Unofficial transcripts
- Test scores (SAT, ACT, AP or IB)
- Your Social Security number (if applicable)
- Your citizenship status
- A method of payment
- Your parents citizenship status
- Annual income: Your parents' if you are a dependent your income if you are independent
- EOP Applicants Only: Your parents' employment background and two recommendations

Transfer Student Application Checklist

- Unofficial transcripts
- Your Social Security number (if applicable)
- Your citizenship status
- A method of payment
- Annual income: Your parents' if you are a dependent your income if you are independent
- EOP Applicants Only: Your parents' employment background and two recommendations



By working together and supporting the quality education students receive at CSUSB, students can stay on track toward completing their undergraduate degree within four years. Please visit and review the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships website; it is designed to ease the transition into college. Feel free to contact the office with any financial aid questions.



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Financial Aid & Scholarships

The Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships at CSUSB provides students and their families with information about financial aid resources and facilitates funding in an accurate and timely manner to assist students in pursuing their educational goals.

The mission of the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships is to ensure financial aid supports students completing their college degree or teacher certification within a reasonable time frame and with minimal loan indebtedness. While federal regulations do require that students and (if dependent) their parents contribute toward their college expenses, as professionals, the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships focuses on the financial needs not covered by expected family contribution(s) based on aid program eligibility requirements. Financial aid awards are maximized through grants, scholarships, low-interest student loans with easy repayment terms and other types of resources.

For more information we invite you to contact the Financial Aid Office at finaid.csusb.edu or reach them by phone at (909) 537-5227.



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Come Visit Us!

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To set up an appointment to take a campus tour, call (909) 537-5192 or visit csusb.edu/admissions/visit-csusb.



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