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# Persian

In the Department of Linguistics and Asian/Middle Eastern Languages  
In the College of Arts and Letters

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## Faculty

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**Offered by the Department of  
Linguistics and Asian/Middle Eastern Languages**

Courses in Persian.

Major or minor work in Persian is not offered.

## Language Requirement for the B.A. Degree in Liberal Arts and Sciences

Students electing the study of Persian to fulfill the language requirement for the Bachelor of Arts degree in liberal arts and sciences must successfully complete Persian 201 or the equivalent level of achievement. The usual sequence of coursework is Persian 101, 102, and 201. Refer to section of catalog on "Graduation Requirements" for additional ways to satisfy competency.

## High School Equivalents

High school foreign language courses may be used for purposes of placement in college courses and may be counted toward meeting the language requirement in various majors. These high school courses will not count as college credit toward graduation.

Secondary school language courses can be used as follows:

1. The first **two years** of high school level language count as the equivalent of the first semester of a college level course, although students with fewer than three years of high school level language may complete the first semester college course for graduation credit.

2. The first **three years** of high school level language count as the equivalent of the first two college semesters, although students with fewer than four years of high school level language may complete the second semester college course for graduation credit. Students who have completed three years of foreign language in high school will not receive credit for the first semester college course unless at least five years separate the last high school course and the first college course.

3. **Four years** of high school level language count as the equivalent of three college semesters or five college quarters, thus fulfilling the language requirement.

## COURSES (PERS)

Refer to *Curricula and Courses and University Policies* sections of this catalog for explanation of the course numbering system, unit or credit hour, prerequisites, and related information.

### LOWER DIVISION COURSES

**Native speakers of Persian will not receive credit for taking lower division courses in Persian except with advance approval from the department.**

**No credit will be given for Persian 101, 102, and 201 taken out of sequence.**

#### PERS 101. Elementary Modern Persian I (4) [GE]

Introduction to modern Persian and Persian writing system. Development of speaking, listening, and reading skills using multimedia materials. Vocabulary for everyday topics and develop culturally appropriate discourse strategies for everyday situations. Not open to students who have completed three years of high school Persian unless the third course was completed five or more years ago. Not open to students with credit in Persian 102.

#### PERS 102. Elementary Modern Persian II (4) [GE]

Prerequisite: Persian 101 or two years of high school Persian.

Continuation of Persian 101. Development of speaking, listening, and reading skills using multimedia materials. Vocabulary for everyday topics and develop culturally appropriate discourse strategies for everyday situations. Not open to students who have completed four years of high school Persian unless the fourth course was completed five or more years ago.

#### PERS 201. Intermediate Persian I (4) [GE]

Prerequisite: Persian 102.

Further development of speaking, reading, listening, and writing skills, with emphasis on language of everyday conversation. Integrated approach to learning Persian to include awareness and appreciation of Persian culture. Not open to students who have completed five years of high school Persian unless the fifth course was completed five or more years ago.

#### PERS 202. Intermediate Persian II (4) [GE]

Prerequisite: Persian 201.

Intermediate level students achieve further proficiency in speaking, listening, reading, and writing; produce language needed for daily routines and work related discourse.

#### PERS 296. Experimental Topics (1-4)

Selected topics. May be repeated with new content. See *Class Schedule* for specific content. Limit of nine units of any combination of 296, 496, 596 courses applicable to a bachelor's degree.

### UPPER DIVISION COURSE (Intended for Undergraduates)

#### PERS 496. Topics in Persian Studies (1-4)

Topics in Persian language, literature, culture, and linguistics. May be repeated with new content. See *Class Schedule* for specific content. Limit of nine units of any combination of 296, 496, 596 courses applicable to a bachelor's degree. Maximum credit eight units.