Persian

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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.
2. The first three years of high school level language count as the
equivalent of the first two college semesters.
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 Courses and Curricula 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, 201, and 202 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 with credit in Persian 102, 201, 202, 301, or a
higher-numbered Persian course.

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 strat-
egies for everyday situations. Not open to students with credit in
Persian 201, 202, 301, or a higher-numbered Persian course.

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 with credit in
Persian 202, 301, or a higher-numbered Persian course.

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. Not open to students
with credit in Persian 301 or a higher-numbered Persian course.

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 COURSES
(Indented for Undergraduates)

All upper division courses in Persian are taught in Persian
unless otherwise stated.
No credit will be given for Persian 301 and 302 taken out of
sequence.

PERS 301. Advanced Persian I (4) [GE]
Prerequisites: Persian 202 and completion of the General
Education requirement in Foundations of Learning II.C., Humanities.
Oral expression and writing for practical purposes; exposure to
various dialects through newspaper and media; elements of literary
and classical language.

PERS 302. Advanced Persian II (4) [GE]
Prerequisites: Persian 301 and completion of the General
Education requirement in Foundations of Learning II.C., Humanities.
Writing complex literary and expository texts. Reading modern
and classical texts to include complicated media. Producing, under-
standing debates and speeches.

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. May be taught in English.