UNIVERSITY OF MALTA
Near Eastern Studies Programme of Studies
(for courses commencing October 2010)

Near Eastern Studies Honours

YEAR ONE (2010-2011)

Semester 1 (October 2010-January 2011)

Compulsory Units (All students must register for these units.)

NES1001 Classical Hebrew I               8 credits Non Compensatable
ARC1201 Introduction to Archaeology and Methods of Research   4 credits

Elective Units

There are no elective units in the first semester of the course. Students will be given the opportunity to make study-unit choices late on during the course after they would have got used to university studies.

Near Eastern Studies workload this semester:   12 credits

Semester 2 (February 2011-June 2011)

Compulsory Units (all students must register for these units)

NES1002 Classical Hebrew II         4 credits Non Compensatable
NES1040 Phoenician-Punic I         4 credits Non Compensatable
ARC1006 Phoenician and Punic Archaeology 6 credits

Elective Units

There are no elective units in the second semester of the course. Students will be given the opportunity to make study-unit choices late on during the course after they would have got used to university studies.

Near Eastern Studies workload this semester:   14 credits
Near Eastern Studies workload this year:        26 credits

N.B. B.A./B.A. Hons students are reminded that during their first year of study they are required to register for study units from the other area programme of study to the value of 26 credits and to also register for optional study units to the value of 8 credits.

Requirement for regular progression to YEAR II: 26 credits in Near Eastern Studies
26 credits in other area
8 credits in optional units

Total B.A.Hons course this year: 60 credits
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YEAR TWO (2011-2012)

Semester 1 (October 2011-January 2012)

Compulsory Units (All students must register for these units.)

ARB1001 Arabic I          8 credits Non Compensatable
NES3004 Readings in Classical Hebrew I        6 credits Non Compensatable
NES3005 Readings in Classical Hebrew II       6 credits
NES2001 Readings in Dead Sea Scrolls Hebrew: the pesharim  6 credits
NES2012 Jews and Judaism during the Second Temple Period  4 credits

Near Eastern Studies minimum workload this semester:  30 credits

Elective Units

Choose study-units to the value of 8 credits from the elective units on offer in the first and the second semester.

ARB1031 Arabic Literature I         4 credits
NES3016 Directed Study               4 credits

Semester 2 (February 2012-June 2012)

Compulsory Units (All students must register for this unit.)

ARB1002 Arabic II          8 credits Non Compensatable

Elective Units

ARB2026 Islamic History and Civilization I       4 credits
SHG3440 The Book of Jeremiah         4 credits
NES2015 Qumran and the Dead Sea Scrolls        4 credits

Near Eastern Studies minimum workload this semester:  8 credits

Near Eastern Studies workload this year:  46 credits

N.B B.A. (Hons) students are reminded that during their second year of study they are required to register for study units from their subsidiary area programme of study to the value of 10 credits and to also register for optional study units, to the value of 4 credits. Students following this programme may choose any of the elective units as optionsals.

Requirement for regular progression to YEAR III:

46 credits in Near Eastern Studies
10 credits in subsidiary area
4 credits in an optional unit

Total B.A. Hons course this year:  60 credits
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YEAR THREE (2012-2013)

Semester 1 (October 2012-January 2013)

Compulsory Units (all students must register for these units.)

ARB3001 Arabic Readings I                  6 credits          Non Compensatable
NES2003 Introduction to the Semitic Languages 4 credits

Elective Units

Choose study-units to the value of 20 credits from the elective units on offer in the first and the second semester.

ARB2022 Arab History and Civilization I          4 credits
NES3010 Long Essay                              10 credits
NES2002 Readings in Dead Sea Scrolls Hebrew: the rule books 6 credits
NES2014 Readings in Dead Sea Scrolls Hebrew: the eschatological texts 6 credits
NES2013 Biblical Aramaic I                      4 credits

Near Eastern Studies minimum workload this semester: 10 credits

Semester 2 (February 2013-June 2013)

Compulsory Units (All students must register for these units.)

ARB3002 Arabic Readings II                     6 credits          Non Compensatable
NES3011 Synoptic Study-Unit I: Arabic Language 6 credits          Non Compensatable
NES3012 Synoptic Study-Unit II: Classical Hebrew 6 credits          Non Compensatable
NES3013 Synoptic Study-Unit III: Phoenician-Punic; Ancient Near Eastern Civilization 6 credits          Non Compensatable
NES3014 Synoptic Study-Unit IV: Arabic History and Civilization 6 credits          Non Compensatable

Elective Units

ARC3032 The Riverine Civilizations of the Near East 6 credits
ARC3008 Ancient Israel                          6 credits

Near Eastern Studies minimum workload this semester: 30 credits
Near Eastern Studies workload this year:         60 credits

Requirement for successful completion of YEAR III (final year): 60 credits in Near Eastern Studies

Requirement for award of B.A. (Hons) in Near Eastern Studies: 180 credits, of which 132 in Near Eastern Studies as in this Programme of Studies, 36 in subsidiary area and 12 for optional units.

Students following this programme may choose any of the elective units as optionals.

Note. This programme of study is governed by "The General Regulations for University Undergraduate Awards, 2004" and by the Bye-Laws for the award of the Bachelor of Arts and the Bachelor of Arts (Honours) under the auspices of the Faculty of Arts.