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# Graduate Certificate of Middle Eastern & Central Asian Studies



**CRICOS code:** 107758J

**UAC code:** 830070

**Duration:** 0.5 Year FT or 1 Year PT

**Prerequisites:** none



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ANU is ranked #1 in Australia  
(and in the top-20 in the world) for  
9 disciplines across humanities,  
arts and social sciences.

\*QS World University Rankings by Subject 2024

The Centre for Arab and Islamic Studies is Australia's premier location for studies in this field, with a high international standing and links with its major counterparts in the Arab and Muslim world, as well as in North America and Europe.

Study in small groups with country experts and gain a deep regional grounding from multiple interdisciplinary perspectives, including contemporary politics, international relations, modern history, political economy, development studies, sociology, and religious and cultural studies. The degree includes intensive options for busy professionals, and online options for those based remotely, alongside traditional face-to-face seminars with leading global experts on the Middle East and Central Asia.

## Career opportunities

A Graduate Certificate in Middle Eastern and Central Asian Studies will enhance your career in any professional area requiring a solid understanding of the Middle East and Central Asia, whether in diplomacy, the public service, teaching, journalism, development or business. The program provides in-depth study of geopolitically significant regions including the Levant, North Africa, the Persian Gulf, Turkey, and Central Asia.

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## Professional outcomes

Graduates acquire a range of skills including:

- conduct detailed, sophisticated research on the modern Middle East and/or Central Asia
- engage critically with key scholarly debates and controversies related to the study of the Middle East and/or Central Asia, including those that cross traditional disciplinary boundaries.
- apply theoretical and critical knowledge of the region to assess the dynamics that shape and influence Middle East and/or Central Asia, including one or more of: the roles of key actors in these regions' politics, international relations, and political economies; the impacts on the region of modern historical events; and the impacts of societal and cultural forces
- communicate the findings of your study of the Middle East and/or Central Asia clearly and succinctly, both in writing and orally.

## Cognate disciplines

Diplomacy, International relations, Modern history; Other social sciences and humanities disciplines and fields where there is significant coverage of a relevant aspect of Middle Eastern, Central Asian or Islamic Studies and where similar approaches and methodologies are used; and modern languages relating to the Middle East and/or Central Asia region such as Arabic, Persian, Turkish, Russian or French. Politics, Political economy, Political science, Religious studies/Islamic studies; Security studies, Sociology; Strategic studies.

## Courses

The exact structure of the program is flexible and students have the opportunity to study a range of courses including country-specific expert courses on:

Country-specific expert courses on:

- Iran
- Iraq
- Egypt and North Africa
- Syria and the Levant

- Israel and Palestine
- The Gulf Arab states of the Gulf
- Turkey
- Central Asia and Russia

Thematic courses on complex and critical issues in the region, such as:

- Dynamics of the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict
- Islamic Radicalism
- Geopolitics and the Strategic Environment
- Authoritarianism, Democratisation and Protest Movements
- Economic, Political, and Social Development
- Energy and Security
- Islam and Sectarianism
- Gender and Development

## Prizes & scholarships

There are a number of scholarships for both international and domestic students. To find out if you are eligible see [anu.edu.au/students/scholarships-fees/scholarships](http://anu.edu.au/students/scholarships-fees/scholarships)

## Admission enquiries

- A Bachelor degree or international equivalent with a minimum GPA of 4/7.
- All applicants must meet the University's English Language Admission Requirements for Students.

## Further information

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