



UNIVERSITY of WASHINGTON

Michael K. Young  
President

February 18, 2015

Dean Robert C. Stacey  
College of Arts and Sciences  
Box 353765

Dear Bob:

Based on the recommendation of its Subcommittee on Admissions and Programs, the Faculty Council on Academic Standards has recommended approval of the revised program requirements for the option in Comparative Civilizations within the Bachelor of Arts degree in Near Eastern Studies, and of changing the name of the option in Cultures and Civilization to Comparative Civilizations. A copy of the changes is attached.

I am writing to inform you that the Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilization is authorized to specify these requirements beginning summer quarter 2015.

The information should be incorporated in printed statements and in individual department websites as soon as possible. The *General Catalog* website will be updated accordingly by the Registrar's Office.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael K. Young".

Michael K. Young  
President

Enclosure

cc: Mr. Gabe Skoog (with enclosure)  
Mr. Robert Corbett (with enclosure)  
Ms. Virjean Edwards (with enclosure)



UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON  
**CREATING AND CHANGING UNDERGRADUATE  
 ACADEMIC PROGRAMS**

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<b>College/Campus</b> Arts & Sciences/Seattle	<b>Department/Unit</b> Near Eastern Languages and Civilization	<b>Date</b> 5 May 2014
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**New Programs**

Leading to a Bachelor of \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ degree.

Leading to a Bachelor of \_\_\_\_\_ degree with a major in \_\_\_\_\_.

Leading to a \_\_\_\_\_ Option within the existing major in \_\_\_\_\_.

Leading to a minor in \_\_\_\_\_.

**Changes to Existing Programs**

New Admission Requirements for the Major in \_\_\_\_\_ within the Bachelor of \_\_\_\_\_.

Revised Admission Requirements for the Major in \_\_\_\_\_ within the Bachelor of \_\_\_\_\_.

Revised Program Requirements for the Major in <sup>Cult &</sup>~~Civ~~ within the Bachelor of **Arts**.

Revised Requirements for the Option in \_\_\_\_\_ within the major in \_\_\_\_\_.

Revised Requirements for the Minor in \_\_\_\_\_.

**Other Changes**

Change name of program from <sup>Cultures & Civilization</sup> ~~^~~ to **Comparative Civilizations**

Change delivery method or location of program.

New or Revised Continuation Policy for \_\_\_\_\_.

New Honors Requirements for \_\_\_\_\_.

Eliminate program in \_\_\_\_\_.

Proposed Effective Date: **Quarter:**  Autumn  Winter  Spring  Summer **Year: 2015**

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**EXPLANATION OF AND RATIONALE FOR PROPOSED CHANGE**

For new program, please include any relevant supporting documentation such as student learning outcomes, projected enrollments, letters of support and departmental handouts. (Use additional pages if necessary).

Please see attachment.

**OTHER DEPARTMENTS AFFECTED**

List all departments/units/ or co-accredited programs affected by your new program or changes to your existing program and acquire the signature of the chair/director of each department/unit listed. Attach additional page(s) if necessary. \*See online instructions.

Department/Unit:	Chair/Program Director:	Date:
Department/Unit:	Chair/Program Director	Date:

**CATALOG COPY**

Catalog Copy as currently written. Include only sections/paragraphs that would be changed if your request is approved. Please cross out or otherwise highlight any deletions.




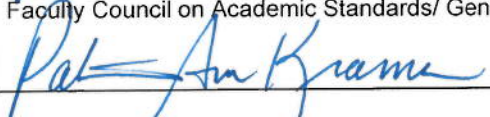
Please see attachment.

**PROPOSED CATALOG COPY**

Reflecting requested changes (Include exact wording as you wish it to be shown in the printed catalog. Please underline or otherwise highlight any additions. If needed, attach a separate, expanded version of the changes that might appear in department publications).  
**Please note:** all copy will be edited to reflect uniform style in the General Catalog.

Please see attachment.

**APPROVALS**

Chair/Program Director: 	Date: 5-5-14
College/School/Campus Curriculum Committee: 	Date: 6/9/14
Dean/Vice Chancellor: Michael C. Stupis	Date: 6/9/14
Faculty Council on Academic Standards/ General Faculty Organization/Faculty Assembly Chair: 	Date: 10/24/2014
<b>POST TRI-CAMPUS APPROVAL (when needed)</b>	
Faculty Council on Academic Standards/ General Faculty Organization/Faculty Assembly Chair: 	Date: 1/9/2015



**Comparative Civilizations Major—72 credits (was 73)**  
Form 1503: Explanation and Rationale for Proposed Changes  
May 2014

**BACKGROUND:** The Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilization has put together a comprehensive package covering changes across our entire academic unit to be effective Summer Quarter 2015. One of the central components of our proposal is the revision of curriculum numbering system in the various language prefixes, as well as the NEAR E prefix. We have also applied for several new language prefixes and are proposing to retire one (HEBR). This application updates the references to specific courses where they appear in the catalog requirements for the program named above. These catalog changes are coordinated to be effective in Summer Quarter 2015, concurrently with the new course numbering schemes as well as the new prefixes so that a smooth transition can occur from the old to the new in Autumn 2015. It is the hope of the NELC faculty that proposing the changes as a single package will provide a clearer picture of our curricular goals and the reasoning behind the changes.

Currently, we offer students four major degree options, all of varying credit requirements ranging from 69-73 credits (all will be 72 credits in the new model): A) Languages and Civilization; B) Culture and Civilization; C) Hebrew Bible and the Ancient Near East; and D) Comparative Islamic Studies. The first option emphasizes the language component, the second less so. The third and fourth differ entirely.

**CHANGES:** We would like to change the name of the major from “Culture and Civilization” to “Comparative Civilizations,” because it will make more visible the comparative, transdisciplinary opportunities that the major already affords. This major option has been designed to offer the greatest latitude in terms of course possibilities, while also lending more synergy between the various language and culture sectors in NELC. This option will continue to be less language-focused and provide more options for 200- and 300-level courses. The major also proposes significant changes to the structure of its requirements, summarized below and on the attached worksheet.

Like the revised “Languages and Cultures” major, this major option, too, will require taking the new gateway course at the 100-level (5 credits) that introduces students to the scope and depth of the departmental areas of study. Similar to the Languages and Cultures major, this one will also require an introductory course on the Near East at the 200-level (NEAR E 2XX, 5 credits). The Program now requires a Senior Seminar course on methods (NEAR E 491, 2 credits). This course will not only cover issues of methodology, but also cover linguistic, philological, literary critical, rhetorical critical, etc. topics. The course will have a practical application in career building in that it will help students to prepare their resumes/curriculum vitae, as well as help them compose their required Senior Essay (NEAR E 498, 5 credits). We have also increased the electives section from 20 credits to 25 credits, and have removed the “8 credits of Upper Division” section, opting to instead integrate it into this newly revised electives section.

A final new requirement for all of our major options is the addition of a residency requirement. All students are now required to have at least 22 of the 72 credits required for the degree in-residence at the Department.



## CURRENT CATALOG COPY:

### *Near Eastern Studies -- ~~Culture and Civilization~~*

~~73~~ credits as follows:

- ~~1. Two years of one Near Eastern language or its equivalent as evidenced by examination~~
- ~~2. NEAR E 210 or (with approval of adviser) NEAR E 220~~
- ~~3. One of the following: NEAR E 211, NEAR E 240, or RELIG 210~~
- ~~4. An approved program of 20 further credits in Near Eastern courses including at least one course from each of the following areas: Near Eastern civilization, Near Eastern religion, Near Eastern literature in translation~~
- ~~5. 8 credits in non-language, upper-division courses related to the Near East in the department or in other departments~~
- ~~6. A senior essay on a topic of Near Eastern civilization (5 credits).~~



## PROPOSED CATALOG COPY:

### *Near Eastern Studies – Comparative Civilizations*

72 credits as follows, ~~22 of which must be taken in-residence at the Department:~~

1. Near East Gateway course (5 credits): NEAR E 101
2. One introductory 200-level course on the Near East (5 credits)
3. Primary language requirement (30 credits): Two years of one Near Eastern language, or its equivalent as evidenced by examination
4. Near East residency requirement: At least 22 credits of the 72 required for the degree must be taken in-residence at the Department
5. Senior Seminar course (2 credits): NEAR E 491
6. A senior essay on a topic of Near Eastern civilization (5 credits): NEAR E 498
7. Near East electives (25 credits): Twenty-five (25) credits of supporting coursework at the 300-level or above (a maximum of 15 credits of approved exceptions is acceptable).



## Comparative Civilizations (72 credits)

Note: Courses cannot be duplicated and used in multiple areas of the degree.

Twenty-two (22) credits must be taken in-residence at the Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilization.

<b>Gateway Course (5 credits)</b>		Credits
	NEAR E 101	5

<b>Introductory NEAR E Course (5 credits)</b>		Credits
One introductory (200-level) course on the Near East.	NEAR E 2XX	5

<b>Two Years of Primary Language (30 credits or equivalent)</b>		
Two years, or its equivalent as evidenced by examination, of one of the following Near Eastern languages: Arabic, Biblical Hebrew, Persian, Turkish, Modern Hebrew, or the various Turkic languages NELC offers.		
Primary Language: _____		
		Credits
First year (Elementary level): 101, 102, 103		5
Summer quarter intensive courses at the 105 level (15 credits) are acceptable here.		5
		5
Second year (Intermediate level): 201, 202, 203		5
Summer quarter intensive courses at the 205 level (15 credits) are acceptable here.		5
		5

<b>Senior Seminar (2 credits)</b>		Credits
All seniors are required to take a Senior Seminar class during their final Autumn quarter.	NEAR E 491	2

<b>Senior Essay (5 credits)</b>		Credits
All seniors in this major are required to write a Senior Essay during their final Winter or Spring quarter following the Senior Seminar (NEAR E 497).	NEAR E 498	5

<b>Upper Division NEAR E Courses (25 credits)</b>		Credits
Twenty-five (25) credits of supporting coursework at the 300-level or above (a maximum of 15 credits of approved exceptions is acceptable).		

Revisions\* in the NEAR E prefix

Organized by Old (current) Numbers

OLD	NEW	SHORT TITLE
150	215	ISRAELI/GBL CNTXT
210	279	INTRO TO ISLAMIC CIV
211	230	INTRO TO ISLAMIC BELIEFS
212	231	INTRO TO THE QUR'AN
213	232	INTRO MOD MIDDLE EAST
220	201	ANCIENT NEAR E
240	202	HEBREW BIBLE
142	271	CLTR HST OF TURKEY
250	243	IRANIAN CULT & CIV
251	247	JEWISH LIT & FILM
253	244	IRANIAN REVOLUTION
260	209	DEATH & AFTERLIFE
280	257	INTRO TO CHNGZ AITMATOV
310	266	MOD NE LIT IN ENGL
325	319	MOD NEAR LIT ENGL
326	316	ISRAELI IDENTITIES
364	353	ISLAM IN CHINA
375	260	INTRO TO CENT ASIA
402	329	CLAS ARAB LIT TRANS
403	330	MODERN ARABIC NOVEL
404	335	LANGUAGE IDENTITY
410	345	MID EAST THRU CINEMA
411	445	DIGITAL MEDIA
414	333	JUDISM/NTIANTY/ISLAM
421	429	ISLAMC THLGY/MSTCSM
423	345	PERS LIT IN TRANS
424	343	CLASSICAL PERSAN LIT
426	344	MODERN PERSIAN LIT
430	430	CLAS MUSLIM WRITING
436	332	ARAB-AMER WRITERS
437	331	1001 NIGHTS
441	314	LIT & HOLOCAUST
442	372	TURKISH LIT TRANS
443	373	READING OTTOMAN LIT
453	304	BIBLICAL PROPHETS
454	307	ISRAEL 1ST & CENTUR
457	306	HST BIBL INTERPRET
472	357	CLTR CNTRL/INR ASIA
491	486	NEAR E METHODOLOGY
520	590	SMNR NEAR EAST CIVL
521	589	RESEARCH METHODS
524	540	ISLAMIC LAW
591	588	NEAR E METHODOLOGY
595	587	MTHDS/MATRSL/TEACHG
101	101	NEAR E GATEWAY
196	196	SPECIAL STUDIES
199	199	STUDY ABROAD
296	296	SPECIAL STUDIES
398	398	SPECIAL STUDIES
399	399	STUDY ABROAD
490	490	SUPERVISED STUDY
491	491	SENIOR SEMINAR
496	496	SPECIAL STUDIES
497	497	HONOR'S THESIS
498	498	SENIOR ESSAY
499	499	UNDERGRAD RESEARCH
583	583	MID EAST THRU CINEMA
586	586	MOD NE LITS IN ENGL
596	596	SPECIAL STUDIES
600	600	INDEPNNT STDY/RSCH
700	700	MASTER'S THESIS
301	301	ANCIENT NEAR E ART
302	302	CINEMA IN ANCIENT NEAR E
303	303	ANCIENT NEAR E RELIGS
305	305	USE OF HEBR BIB IN NEW TESTMT
306	306	PROPHECY IN OLD TESTAMENT
310	310	GENDER & SEXUALITY IN HBANE
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308	308	PROPHECY IN OLD TESTAMENT
309	309	DEATH & AFTERLIFE
310	310	GENDER & SEXUALITY IN HBANE
320	320	ISRAELI FILM
334	334	ARAB CULTURE
431	431	ARABIC LINGUISTICS
432	432	ARABIC SOCIOLOGY
529	529	CLAS ARAB LIT TRANS
530	530	MODERN ARABIC NOVEL
531	531	1001 NIGHTS
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538	538	ARABIC LINGUISTICS
539	539	ARABIC SOCIOLOGY
258	258	INTRO TO CHNGZ AITMATOV
259	259	FOKTALES ALONG SR
261	261	KAZAKHSTAN
262	262	KYRGYZSTAN
263	263	UZBEKISTAN
264	264	MODERN ME & CENT ASIA
359	359	LANG/ETHNIC IDENT CA
457	457	TURKIC LINGUISTICS
537	537	CLTR CNTRL/INR ASIA
538	538	ISLAM IN CHINA
585	585	MID EAST THRU CINEMA
586	586	MOD NE LITS IN ENGL
595	595	MTHDS/MATRSL/TEACHG
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521	521	RESEARCH METHODS
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Key: Bold courses are new; Italics are existing courses that are changing numbers (bold-italics=new range; just italics=same range).

\*Note: NELC is submitting the appropriate paperwork and forms for all courses on this list that require them. This list is provided to show the overall revisions planned for courses in the NEAR E prefix.

Sample worksheet:

Language and Culture (2 credits)

Language Course (4 credits)

Introductory NEAR E Course (3 credits)

Two Years of Primary Language (30 credits of instruction)

Advanced Level Coursework in Primary Language (10 credits)

Senior Seminar (2 credits)

NEAR E & Hebrews (28 credits)

any two years of the languages we offer; e.g.: - ARAB 101, 102, 103  
↳ 5 credits each = 15 total 1<sup>st</sup> year  
(or ARAB 105 - 15 cr. Summer intensive)

AND: - ARAB 201, 202, 203  
↳ 5 credits each = 15 total 2<sup>nd</sup> year  
(or ARAB 205 - 15 cr. Summer intensive)

any 20 credits of these classes

30 credits total of ONE language





# Undergraduate Curriculum Review Process for New Programs

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## Seattle: Rename option in Cultures and Civilizations within the Bachelor of Arts degree in Near Eastern Studies to an option in Comparative Civilizations (NEARE-20140505B)

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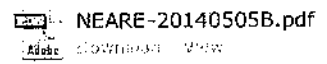
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Please review the attached 1503 pdf requesting to rename the option in Cultures and Civilizations within the Bachelor of Arts degree in Near Eastern Studies to an option in Comparative Civilizations at the Seattle campus and post comments by 5:00 pm on Friday, November 21st.

If you have any problems viewing the attachment or need disability accommodations, please contact the University Curriculum Office at uwcr@uw.edu.



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**UNIVERSITY CAMPUSES UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM REVIEW PROCEDURES\*\***

**CHECKLIST**

Title of Proposal: Rename option in Cultures and Civilization within the  
Bachelor of Arts degree in Near Eastern Studies to  
Comparative Civilizations (NEARE-20140505B)

Proposed by (unit name): Department of Near Eastern Languages and  
Civilizations

Originating Campus:

UW, Seattle

UW, Bothell

UW, Tacoma

**I. Phase I. Developed Proposal Review** (to be completed by Originating Campus' Academic Program Review body)

A. Review Completed by: (list name of program review body)

Chaired by:

10/24/14 Date proposal received by originating campus's review body

10/27/14 Date proposal sent to University Registrar

10/28/14 Date proposal posted & email sent to standard notification list

01/09/15 Date of originating campus's curriculum body approval

(Note: this date must be 15 business days or more following date of posting)

B. 0 Number of comments received. Attach the comments and a summary of the consideration and responses thereof : (1-2 paragraphs)

**II. Phase II. Final Proposal Review** (to be completed by FCTCP)

A. Review Completed by:

FCTCP subcommittee

FCTCP full council

Chaired by: William Erdly

1/20/15 Date request for review received from University Registrar  
2/13/15 Date of FCTCP report

B. Review (attached)

YES NO

- Was notice of proposal posted on UW Website for 15 business days?  
 Was notice of proposal sent to standard mailing list 15 business days in advance of academic program review?  
 Were comments received by academic program review body?  
 Was response to comments appropriate? (explain, if necessary)  
 Was final proposal reviewed by FCTCP within 14 days of receipt?  
 Was there adherence to the University Campuses Undergraduate Program Review Process? (explain, if necessary)

FCTCP Review slightly delayed due to timing of meetings and availability of subcommittee members.

C. Recommendation

- Forward for final approval  
 Forward to Provost because of University issues (Explain)  
 Return to campus council because of insufficient review (Explain).

\*\*Endorsed by Faculty Senate Executive Committee, 1/10/05, modified 1/31/06; These procedures apply to new undergraduate degrees, majors, minors (and certificates) and substantive changes to same