MIDDLE EASTERN LANGUAGES & CULTURES: EGYPTOLOGY, PHD

Middle Eastern Languages and Cultures (MELC). MELC's graduate program in Egyptology offers advanced study of the languages and civilizations of ancient Egypt.

View the department's PhD general procedures (https://www.sas.upenn.edu/nelc/grad_programs/phdProcedures.html).

For more information: https://nelc.sas.upenn.edu/graduate/fields-study/egyptology (https://nelc.sas.upenn.edu/graduate/fields-study/egyptology/)

Curriculum
Archaeology Concentration

Code	Title	Course Units
Required Courses		
Primary Field - Archaeology, Art and Culture of Ancience Egypt		
Any 5000 Level Course or Higher with an Attribute of HDEA (http://catalog.upenn.edu/attributes/hdea/)		7
Primary Field - History of Ancient Egypt		
Any 5000 Level Course or Higher with an Attribute of HDAH (http://catalog.upenn.edu/attributes/hdah/)		2
Primary Field - Language of Ancient Egypt		
Any 5000 Level Course or Higher with an Attribute of HDHL (http://catalog.upenn.edu/attributes/hdhl/)		4
Secondary Field - Art and Archaeology		
Any 5000 Level Course or Higher with an Attribute of HDAS (http://catalog.upenn.edu/attributes/hdas/)		6
Secondary Field - Archaeological Interpretation and Techniques		
Any 5000 Level Course or Higher with an Attribute of HDAI (http://catalog.upenn.edu/attributes/hdai/)		1
Total Course Units		**20**

Language and Literature Concentration

Code	Title	Course Units
Required Courses		
Ancient Egyptian Language and Literature		
Any 5000 Level Course or Higher with an Attribute of HDEL (http://catalog.upenn.edu/attributes/hdel/)		8
History and Culture of Ancient Egypt		
Any 5000 Level Course or Higher with an Attribute of HDEC (http://catalog.upenn.edu/attributes/hdec/)		6
Secondary Field - Language		
Any 5000 Level Course or Higher with an Attribute of HDNL (http://catalog.upenn.edu/attributes/hdnl/)		4
Secondary Field - History and Culture		
Any 5000 Level Course or Higher with an Attribute of HDHC (http://catalog.upenn.edu/attributes/hdhc/)		2
Total Course Units		**20**

Other Program Milestones

In addition to the above-described required coursework, PhD students are responsible for two (2) European language reading exams, candidacy exams, and qualifying exams before preparing a dissertation proposal.

Secondary Field in Egyptology

Graduate students in other programs (such as Mesopotamian Civilizations or Biblical Studies) who take a secondary field in Egyptology must take at least four courses in Egyptian language (Middle Egyptian and another significant phase) and two in history and culture.

- History of ancient Egypt (at least 2 courses with an attribute of HDAH (http://catalog.upenn.edu/attributes/hdah/))

The degree and major requirements displayed are intended as a guide for students entering in the Fall of 2024 and later. Students should consult with their academic program regarding final certifications and requirements for graduation.