

GLOBAL MEDIEVAL STUDIES, MINOR

Eleven Penn departments contribute to the interdisciplinary program in Global Medieval Studies, which allows students to discover the pre-modern world together, as the root and necessary precondition to the modern. The program is broad geographically and temporally; it includes Europe, the Middle East, Asia, and Africa, and in the latter part of our period even the New World, from Late Antiquity to 1700. This was a formative historical and cultural period in a variety of civilizations, from the north-western corner of Europe, across the Mediterranean and the Middle East, and on to southern and eastern Asia, south to Africa and over the Atlantic Ocean to the New World. The program encourages students to view the world through the lens of various disciplinary and geographic perspectives and discover the interaction of diverse civilizations and religions. As the era that gave birth to contemporary nations and a time before the formation of modern geopolitical concepts, this period provides a critical space for thinking about the composite nature of contemporary identities.

The minor program in Global Medieval Studies can easily be combined with a major in a language and literature tradition, philosophy, science, international relations, or even natural sciences, to name a few. As broadly educated historians and humanists, students of Global Medieval Studies can go on to a variety of occupations or continue their education in a range of graduate programs or professional schools.

For more information: <http://web.sas.upenn.edu/global-medieval-studies/>

Code	Title	Course Units
Minor Requirements		
Select 6 courses that satisfy the following distribution requirements:		6
<i>Field Distribution (Choose any three fields)</i>		
History		
Art, Architecture, Music		
Literature or Written Culture		
Religion, Philosophy, or Science		
<i>Geographical Distribution</i>		
Europe		
Area outside of Europe		
Total Course Units		6

The degree and major requirements displayed are intended as a guide for students entering in the Fall of 2025 and later. Students should consult with their academic program regarding final certifications and requirements for graduation.