

Persian Minor

Persian is a language of incredible geopolitical, artistic, historical, and economic significance, spoken by more than 110 million people worldwide. It is the national language of Iran, Afghanistan, and Tajikistan, and is spoken widely in Uzbekistan and Kurdistan, as well as within diaspora communities around the world. Persian language classes emphasize cultural competency – each class is infused with cultural information such as profiles of cities, regional cuisine, national and religious holidays, literature, famous people, and so forth. Minors will be able to interact with native speakers in a culturally appropriate manner and interpret Persian texts with ease and accuracy.

For more information about the minor, visit the Persian Studies program website (<https://persian.college.georgetown.edu/>) or contact the program director, Prof. Farima Mostowfi, at fsm7@georgetown.edu.

Requirements

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All Persian minors are required to take six courses in Persian: the intensive (6-credit) beginning and intermediate language sequences and the advanced language sequence.

Code	Title	Credits
PERS 1011	Intensive 1st Level Persian I	5,6
PERS 1012	Intensive 1st Level Persian II	5,6
PERS 1521	Intermediate Persian I	3
PERS 1522	Interm Persian II	3
PERS 2201	Advanced Persian	3
PERS 2202	Advanced Persian II	3
Total Credits		22-24

The following advanced electives can be substituted for one or more of the above courses where appropriate (e.g., if the student begins the minor at a higher level) and with approval of the program director:

Code	Title	Credits
PERS 3366	Post-Adv PERS Oral Comm	3
PERS 3364	Iranian Cinema & Culture	3
PERS 3345		3

Note: Intensive summer and/or study abroad courses taught in Persian may also be counted in the minor, on the basis of placement exam and with the approval of the program director.

Students seeking to accelerate their study of Persian should consider taking the Persian courses offered on campus each summer. PERS 1011, PERS 1012, PERS 1521, and PERS 1522 are offered regularly. All Persian coursework taken through the summer institute counts in the minor.