Course Approval Request Form
Arab American Studies Internship

Home Department: American Culture
Subject: AmCult
Cross-listing: N/A
Course Title: Internship in Arab American Studies
Title Abbreviation: Internship Arab Am Stds

Course Description: Internship opportunities available in local Arab American organizations. Contact internship faculty advisor for information on internship availability, details, and requirements. Must have taken at least one course in Arab American Studies. Can sign up for 2 (6 hours of work), 3 credits (9 hours of work), or 4 credits (12 hours of work). Car needed.

Prerequisites: Must have taken at least one course in Arab American Studies

General Requirements: N/A

Class Components: Other/Internship
Credit Type: Experiential; Cr/NC
Campus Location: Ann Arbor
Course Career: Undergraduate
Credit Hours: Full Term: Min 2, Max 4; Half Term: Min 1, Max 4
Is the course repeatable for credit: Yes. Maximum times it can be elected: 2; maximum total credit hours: 6
Print course in LSA Bulletin: Yes
Print course in Time Schedule: Yes
Print course Instructor in time schedule: Yes
Expected class size: 6-10
Instructor Name: For the 2009-10 academic year, it will be Evelyn Alsultany

Approval: Indefinite

Expanded Course Description: Depending on the semester, internship opportunities are available in local Arab American organizations in which students will gain experience in legal, social, or cultural issues or the arts. Examples of internship placements include the American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee and the Arab American National Museum, both located in Dearborn, Michigan. Car needed (internship opportunities are located in Dearborn, which is 40 minutes away from Ann Arbor). Contact internship faculty advisor for information on which internship is available and details on the specific requirements. Must have taken at least one course in Arab American Studies and have permission of internship faculty advisor. Can sign up for 2 (6 hours of work), 3 credits (9 hours of work), or 4 credits (12 hours of work). Mandatory credit/no credit determined

based on written comments on the student's performance submitted to the faculty advisor by the sponsoring organization, as well as a short report written by the student and submitted to the faculty advisor. This opportunity is intended to enrich students' academic experience and allow for the exploration of career options related to Arab American Studies.

Supporting Statement: Arab American Studies, an emerging ethnic studies unit within the Program in American Culture, has set up internship opportunities for students at the American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee's Dearborn office and the Arab American National Museum. This internship would provide students with hands-on experience that can bolster a student's success on the job market upon graduating. It also demonstrates possible career options for students majoring in American Culture. This opportunity is intended to enrich students' academic experience and allow for the exploration of career options related to Arab American Studies.

Course Requirements: Experiential. Credit/No Credit.

Intended Audience: American Culture majors and particularly students pursuing a certificate in Arab American Studies within American Culture

Hours per week and format: Required to intern for 6-12 hours per week, depending on whether sign up for 2, 3, or credit hours. Hours are doubled per credit during the spring and summer term.

Equipment/Facilities: Student will need access to a car since most internship opportunities are located in Dearborn (40 minutes driving from Ann Arbor)

GSIs: N/A
Requested FTE: No