Armenian Studies, Minor

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MN in Armenian Studies, Minor
The Armenian Studies Program offers courses on Armenian history, Armenian language and literature, art and architecture, film, William Saroyan, the Genocide, and contemporary issues. Courses in Armenian history are also offered under the Department of History.

The Minor in Armenian Studies prepares students for teaching careers in one of the 25 Armenian schools in the United States, for administrative positions in Armenian cultural, social, and benevolent organizations, for study and volunteer work in the Armenian Republic, or for graduate work in Armenian doctoral programs at UCLA, UC Berkeley, Harvard, Columbia, Tufts, the University of Michigan, or Oxford University.

The Haig and Isabel Berberian Chair of Armenian Studies. The Berberian Endowed Chair provides financial support for a distinguished Armenologist. The endowment honoring the Berberians was established by a major gift from their son-in-law and daughter, Dr. Arnold H. and Dianne Gazarian. Other friends have made significant contributions to this endowment.

The Henry S. Khanzadian Kazan Visiting Professorship in Armenian Studies. This specially designed endowment allows the Armenian Studies Program to invite, for one semester each year, an internationally recognized scholar in contemporary Armenian affairs. The distinguished professor will teach a course related to modern Armenian history, including the Genocide of 1915 and the formation of the Armenian Republic. In addition, the scholar will present three public lectures on a single topic; these will be published as a volume in the Kazan Armenian Studies series.

The M. Victoria Karagozian Kazan Endowment Fund for the Armenian Studies Program. Thanks to a generous donation by Henry and Victoria Kazan, the university has received a special endowment to support Armenian Studies Program activities and to provide financial resources for research, publications, and conferences related to Armenian studies.

The Armenian Series. The Armenian Series was established under the auspices of The Press at California State University, Fresno. Books with an Armenian theme are published in the The Armenian Series.

The Pete P. Peters Endowment. In 1998, Mr. Pete Peters, a long-time supporter of Armenian Studies, offered the university a substantial endowment. For the first few years, proceeds from the endowment will be used for student scholarships. Proceeds from the endowment will be used for student scholarships.

The Leon S. Peters Foundation has generously supported the Armenian Studies Program by funding its Lecture Series, providing student scholarships, and providing general support for the program.

The Thomas A. Kooyumjian Family Foundation has provided general support for the Armenian Studies Program and support for special programs. It has also provided for students scholarships.

The Harry and Mary Topoozian Armenian Studies Merit Scholarship Fund was established by a gift from Mr. Harry Topoozian. An Outstanding Achievement Scholarship will be awarded to a student who has excelled in scholarship, leadership, and community service. Any student enrolled in Armenian Studies courses is eligible.

The Armenian Studies Program Dickran Kouymjian Writing Award. In 1997 the Armenian Studies Program Advisory Board decided to establish an endowment fund for excellence in writing from the proceeds of the 20th Anniversary Banquet honoring Professor Kouymjian. Each year a prize will be given for the best student essay, term paper, or literary work in any discipline on a topic related to Armenia or the Armenians.

The Norma and Bob Der Mugrdechian Armenian Studies Endowed Scholarship has been established to provide scholarships for students who are studying, or have declared a major, in the area of Armenian Studies.
Scholarships

Students working toward a minor or simply enrolling in Armenian courses are eligible for scholarships administered by the program. These include the Armenian Professional Society of San Francisco Scholarship; the Nerces and Ruth Azadian Memorial Scholarship; the Kirkor and Mary Bedoian Memorial Scholarship; the Bertha and John Garabedian Charitable Foundation Scholarship Fund; the Peter Mourad Hagopian Memorial Scholarship; Albert and Isabelle Kabrielian Scholarship for Armenian Studies; the Armen Kandarian Memorial Scholarship; the Koren and Alice Odian Kasparian Scholarship; the Charlie Keyan Endowed Scholarship; the Yervant, Rose, and Hovannes Levonian Educational Grant; the John and Lucille Melkonian Scholarship; the John Ohanian Scholarship; the Charles K. and Pansy Pategian Zlokovich Scholarship; the Walter Sepetjian Memorial Scholarship; the Genevieve Tatoian Scholarship; the Telfeyan Evangelical Fund, Inc. Scholarship; and the Triple-X Los Angeles Scholarship.

Annual renewals are assured for students who continue to enroll in Armenian studies courses. In addition to these, full tuition scholarships and research-assistant grants are also available.

The Armenian Studies Program supports the Armenian Students Organization, the student and program newspaper Hye Sharzhoom, and the Armenian Studies Program Lecture Series.

Thanks to an exchange agreement between Fresno State and Yerevan State University, qualified students can study up to one year in Armenia while registering and paying tuition in Fresno.

REQUIREMENTS

Armenian Studies Minor Requirements

ARM 1A, 1B, 2A, 2B (6-8 units)*
ARM 148 (3 units)
ARMS 10 and 20 (6 units)
ARMS 120T (3 units)
ARMS 108A or 108B (3 units)

Total (21-23 units)

* Students must take two of these courses in consultation with the program coordinator. Students who can speak, read, and write Armenian may elect to challenge one or two of these classes CBE (see Credit by Examination).

Note: The Armenian Studies Minor also requires a 2.0 GPA and 6 upper-division units in residence.

Upper-Division Honors Certificate

The Armenian Studies Upper-Division Honors Program provides the opportunity for highly qualified, advanced Armenian Studies Program students to pursue the Upper-Division Honors Certificate in Armenian Studies. Please see Upper-Division Honors Certificate.

FACULTY

For faculty phone numbers and e-mail, see the campus directory.

For more on the faculty, see the faculty pages.

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