Associated Postdocs and Faculty

- Behrad Aghaei | Language and linguistics
- Kathryn Babayan | Social and cultural history, Shi’ism, Sufism, gender and sexuality
- Juan Cole | Modern political history
- Cameron Cross | Persian literature
- Christiane Gruber | Islamic and Iranian art history
- Gottfried Hagen | Ottoman history, early modern societies
- Alexander Knysh | Sufism and Islamic studies
- Niloofar Sarlati | Modern and comparative literature
- Henry Wright | Ancient Iranian archaeology

Website

- [https://sites.lsa.umich.edu/iranian-studies/](https://sites.lsa.umich.edu/iranian-studies/)
  - Includes blog, program information, events, bios
  - Sign up for events, announcements, and updates

Recurring Events

- Persianate Studies Workshop: Cutting-edge research on the Persianate world
Upcoming Courses
کلاس های آینده

Winter 2021
- PERSIAN 102 – Elementary Persian II (Aghaei)
- PERSIAN 202 – Intermediate Persian II (Aghaei)
- PERSIAN 499 – Persian Grammar (Cross)*
- PERSIAN 505 – Modern Persian Nonfiction (Aghaei)
- MIDEAST 216 – Islam in History (Knysh)
- MIDEAST 291 – Topics in Middle East Studies: Travelers & Travelogues (Cross)
- MIDEAST 387 / HISTORY 397 – Religion and Politics in Contemporary Iran (Babayan)
- MIDEAST 427 – Rumi and the Great Persian Mystical Poets (Cross)
- MIDEAST 487 – Modern Middle East History (Cole)

Fall 2021 (Tentative and not fully fleshed out)
- PERSIAN 101 – Elementary Persian I (Aghaei)
- PERSIAN 201 – Intermediate Persian I (Aghaei)
  - Enrollment pending: PERSIAN 504 – Modern Persian Fiction (Aghaei)
- MIDEAST 518 – Persianate History Through Political and Cultural Texts (Babayan)
- MIDEAST 295 – Slavery in the Islamic World (Babayan)
- MIDEAST 309 – Sin, Sex, and Desire: Romance in the Middle East (Cross)
- MIDEAST 331 – Iranian Cinema: Re/Presenting a Nation (Cross)

Winter 2022 (Tentative and not fully fleshed out)
- PERSIAN 102 – Elementary Persian II (Aghaei)
- PERSIAN 202 – Intermediate Persian II (Aghaei)
  - Enrollment pending: PERSIAN 504 – Modern Persian Nonfiction (Aghaei)
- MIDEAST 517 – Classical Persian Texts: Sa’di (Cross)
- MIDEAST 291 – Beyond Human: Animals, Jinn, Monsters, and Angels in Islamic Cultures (Cross)

* PILOT COURSE: For beginning students who want to quickly start reading complex/historical texts without extensive training in modern spoken Persian