

Interested in a three-week summer school course on Islamic civilization at UNC-Chapel Hill? This year you can take **Reli 180/Asia 180, "Introduction to Islamic Civilization,"** which is available as a Maymester course, May 13-29, for regular UNC students and visiting students (including honor roll high school juniors and seniors). For further details on registration see <http://summer.unc.edu/registration/>. Questions about the course may be addressed to Prof. Carl Ernst, [cernst@email.unc.edu](mailto:cernst@email.unc.edu).



*(Garden scene with poetry and music by a cattle-driven irrigation fountain; Maqamat of al-Hariri, 13<sup>th</sup> cent.)*

## Reli 180/Asia 180 "Introduction to Islamic Civilization"

Professor Carl Ernst  
9:00 am – 12:15 pm, May 13-29  
GEC 3024

### **Course Description:**

This course is a survey of Islamic civilization and culture from the sixth century to 1500 C.E., which includes the complex sources of Islamic civilization; the formation of a major world empire; and the relation between religion, politics, and culture in different regions.

**Satisfies HS, BN, and WB general education requirements.**

**Special Features:** Visits to the Ackland Art Museum to see Islamic art collection; to Wilson Library Rare Book Collection to see Qur'ans and Arabic manuscripts; Middle Eastern music breaks every hour; video clips; Persian calligraphy workshop.



*"Love placed confusion in my heart" (Persian verse by 'Iraqi, d. 1289)*