YEAR ONE 2022-2023
Strategic Plan

Strategic Emphases

1. Fundraising
   Create a promotional email for online fundraising and a VIP fundraising dinner for the center's 20th anniversary

2. Faculty engagement and support
   a. Partnerships and engaging the arts – collaborating with Music dept. faculty, CPA, and Ackland
   b. CMEIS Annual Academic lecture series
   c. Annual consortium conference
   d. faculty curriculum and research grants

3. Student learning and leadership
   a. Research colloquium in collaboration with Islamicate Graduate Student Association conference
   b. Creating a non-hierarchical relationship environment between faculty and grad student via a research colloquium which is not graduate specific or faculty specific but for both.
   c. Graduate student travel and research grants funded by our annual email fundraising
   d. holding social events for graduate students to network with each other and faculty across campus
   e. Grad student professionalization workshops both for MA and PhD: job market, how to publish a journal article or write a book proposal

4. Community impact
   a. CMEIS Social Café
   b. Statewide Consortium Collaborations

5. Enhance study abroad programs

Program Priorities

1. Curriculum development
   a. working out the ongoing complexities of Turkish and Persian language programs in conjunction with Duke University and with DAMES
   b. working out the Middle East Studies Graduate Certificate and the practicum with DAMES
   c. maintain and enhance the Arabic programs across NC

2. Financial support for students
a. Maintain the FLAS program

3. Visiting scholarship program – virtual and in-person

4. Administration
   a. Appoint Outreach Director (funded by Title VI) to maintain and enhance the outreach programs already in place
   b. Appoint a temporary staff member (we did)
   c. Appoint NC Consortium Administrative Staff (funded by Title VI)

3. Library resources
   a. Continue partnerships with UNC libraries

4. Faculty positions (focus on Iran because of a potential donor and Roshan Institute. At the same time, if funding becomes available for any of the positions listed on the four-year strategic plan, the center will prioritize them.
   ● Contemporary Iranian art
   ● Iranian Transnational Feminism