

AMIDEAST Education Abroad Programs

ARAB 202: Modern Standard Arabic IV Session 1

Syllabus

Credit Hours: 5 Credit hours

Course Description

This course is a continuation of Arabic 201. Course objectives are seen in terms of students performing linguistic tasks successfully, gaining self-confidence, and expanding their risk-taking in real-life communicative situations. This course covers the material in *Al-Kitaab*, Part Two, Second Edition, Chapters 1-5. By the end of this course, students will be able to:

- Guess the meaning of new words from contexts;
- use skimming and scanning techniques;
- write short paragraphs correctly;
- read authentic material from Arabic advertisements, short narratives, descriptions of people and places, simple contemporary poetry, topics on Arab culture, etc;
- write both informal and formal letters;
- write medium length compositions on familiar topics, including descriptions, short narratives, etc;
- master and distinguish Arabic sentence structures;
- understand and construct simple paragraphs and simple texts;
- enrich their vocabulary;
- understand some Arabic spoken situations;
- read and understand short paragraphs and short texts;
- write correct sentences and correct paragraphs and short texts; and
- begin to acquire more developed ideas about Arab and Islamic Culture

Learning Outcomes

By the completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Understand basic grammatical rules and structures in MSA
- Converse in MSA using a variety of language functions appropriate for their level
- Acquire knowledge about major aspects of Arab and Islamic world culture.

Knowledge

By the completion of the course, students will be able to:

- Guess the meaning of new words from contexts
- Use skimming and scanning techniques
- Write short paragraphs correctly
- Read authentic material from Arabic advertisements, short narratives, descriptions of people and places, simple contemporary poetry, and topics on Arab culture
- Write both informal and formal letters
- Write medium length compositions on familiar topics, including descriptions and short narratives
- Master and distinguish Arabic sentence structures
- Understand and construct simple paragraphs and simple texts
- Enrich his/her vocabulary
- Understand some Arabic spoken situations
- Read and understand short paragraphs and short texts
- Write correct sentences and correct paragraphs and short texts
- Begin to acquire more developed ideas about Arab and Islamic culture
- Begin to master the Arabic verb system.

Skills

This course is designed to assist students in developing the following skills:

- Comprehending simple short paragraphs, texts and situations.
- Speaking Arabic correctly by verbalizing case markings and communicating in a variety of social situations
- Making presentations on topics of interest
- Reading and understanding short paragraphs and short texts
- Writing compositions on familiar topics, including descriptions and short narratives.

Attitudes

This course helps develop the following attitudes:

- Eagerness to learn the Arabic language
- Curiosity about the local culture in particular
- Confidence in ability to interact with native speakers
- Cultural awareness to behave appropriately in various situations
- Desire to pursue further study of the language.

Course Materials

1. *Al-Kitaab fi Ta'allum Al Arabiya* with DVDs: Part Two, Second Edition, by Kristin Brustad, Mahmoud Al-Batal and Abbas Al-Tonsi
2. Hans Wehr *Dictionary of Modern Written Arabic* edited by J.M. Cowan
3. Locally produced materials, selected by program faculty

Assessment Overview

Description	Weight	Due Date
Engagement	20%	Continuous
Assignments	30%	Continuous
Quizzes	20%	Quiz 1: Week 1, Thursday Quiz 2: Week 3, Thursday
Midterm Exam	15%	Week 2, Thursday
Final Written Exam	15%	Week 5, Monday

Engagement

Students are expected to attend all regularly scheduled classes and come prepared to participate fully in class activities. This means doing any listening activities, homework, and learning new vocabulary and structure so that they can actively use them in class.

Overview of Attendance Policy

For Modern Standard Arabic, students are allowed to miss only **4 contact hours** (1 full day of instruction) unexcused before their overall grade is reduced. A student's grade for the course will be lowered by one "mark" for each additional unexcused absence (2 contact hours is equal to one absence). Being absent for more than 4 contact hours will result in **one letter grade deduction from the student's final grade for every 2 hours of unexcused absence beyond the allowed limit**. In other words, if a student misses an additional 2 hours of instruction (for a total of 6 hours of unexcused absences) an "A" will become "A-", after 8 total hours of unexcused absence an "A" becomes a "B+"; after 10 total hours of unexcused absence an "A" becomes a "B", etc.; etc.

For Colloquial Arabic, students are allowed to miss only **2 contact hours** unexcused before their overall grade is reduced. A student's grade for the course will be lowered by one "mark" for each additional unexcused absence (1 contact hour is equal to one absence). Being absent for more than 2 contact hours will result in **one letter grade deduction from the student's final grade for every 1 hour of unexcused absence beyond the allowed limit**. In other words, if a student misses an additional 1 hour of instruction (for a total of 3 hours of unexcused absences) an "A" will become "A-", after 4 total hours of unexcused absence an "A" becomes a "B+"; after 5 total hours of unexcused absence an "A" becomes a "B", etc.; etc.

An unexcused absence is one not caused by illness or otherwise not approved by AMIDEAST staff. An excused absence means written approval from the Program Manager (and sometimes a doctor) justifying the absence. Arriving late to class may also count towards an absence.

The engagement grade will depend on both the quality and the quantity of student's comments and questions and shall account for 20% of the total course grade.

Summary of Attendance Policy

1. Students are expected to do the required reading before class, volunteer for presentations and participate actively in class discussions.
2. Excused absences are determined by the lead AMIDEAST staff member; in some instances a doctor's certification may be required.
3. Deadlines must be respected, even in cases of excused absences.
4. Students are responsible for getting homework assignments they miss and submitting them in a timely manner. Assignments turned in after the due date will result in a penalty to be determined by the instructor.
5. Any assignments not submitted will result in that assignment being given a grade of 0 (zero).
6. The Attendance Policy is applied until the last day of the program.

Assignments

There will be daily assignments due at the beginning of class on the day designated in the syllabus. Late homework assignments may be checked but will not be given any credit. Students are encouraged to study and work on homework assignments together. Students follow up on any

instructor's comments on the homework and it is the students' responsibility to come to office hours to see their instructors when questions arise.

Quizzes

There will be two quizzes on the following dates:

Quiz 1: Week 1, Thursday

Quiz 2: Week 3, Thursday

Midterm Exam: Week 2, Thursday

The midterm exam will cover material studied from the beginning of the semester up until the midterm. It will test reading, writing and listening skills.

Final Written Exam: Week 5, Monday

The final examination will cover material studied after the midterm. It will test reading, writing and listening skills.

Grading Scale

Numerical	Grade	Basic Grade Point	Grade Range
93-100	A	4.0	3.86-4.00
90-92	A-	3.7	3.46-3.85
87-89	B+	3.3	3.16-3.45
83-86	B	3.0	2.86-3.15
80-82	B-	2.7	2.46-2.85
77-79	C+	2.3	2.16-2.45
73-76	C	2.0	1.86-2.15
70-72	C-	1.7	1.36-1.85
60-69	D	1.0	0.51-1.35
Below 60	F	0.0	0.00-0.50

Course Schedule

Date	Activity	Homework Assignments	Exams/Quizzes
		Study the vocabs of lesson 1 Exercise # 1 Page 5 Exercise # 2 Page 6 New expressions page 11	
Week 1 Sunday First Lesson	Chapter 1 ابن بطوطة تفعيل المفردات الجديدة وتمارينها الصفية (تمرين 3 + تمرين 4)	Exercise # 9 Page 13 Exercise #7 page 10 Exercise # 5 Page 9	
Second Lesson	المفردات الجديدة + تفعيل العبارات الجديدة وتمرين 8	دراسة القواعد ص 18-19 Exercise # 14 Page 19	
Monday First Lesson	نص ابن بطوطة وأطول رحلة في التاريخ تمرين 10 تمرين 7	دراسة القواعد ص 21 / 24 Exercise #17 Page 25	
Second Lesson	القواعد : زمن الفعل الماضي والمضارع وتمرين 15 تمرين 16	دراسة القواعد ص 27-28	
Tuesday First Lesson	القواعد : الفعل المضارع وتمرين 18 + 19	Exercise #22 (أ) Page 29	
Second Lesson	القواعد : كم تمرين 20 - 21	Exercise # أ / 23	
Wednesday First Lesson	نص دمشق أقدم مدينة مأهولة في التاريخ تمرين 22 "ب"	Study for Quiz	
Second Lesson	استماع مدينة غزة في التاريخ تمرين 6		
Thursday First Lesson	امتحان قصير نشاط / إكمال تمرين أو أي جزء من الدرس لم يكن له وقت	Exercise # 1 Page 41 Exercise # 2 Page 42 Exercise # 3 Page 43 Exercise #7 page 45	Quiz 1
Second Lesson	نص ذكر سلطان اليمن	Exercise # 6 Page 44 Exercise # 9 Page 47 (paragraph 1+2) دراسة العبارات الجديدة ص 46	

Week 2 Sunday First Lesson	Chapter 2 الأعياد والاحتفالات تفعيل المفردات الجديدة تمرين 5 اسالوا زملائكم	الثقافة Exercise # 10 Page 48	
Second Lesson	العبارات الجديدة تمرين 8 تمرين 7	القواعد (اسم الفاعل واسم المفعول) ص 52-55 Exercise # 14 Page 56	
Monday First Lesson	نص ذكريات رمضان من الشام تمرين 11 الثقافة	Exercise # 19 (أ) Page 60	
Second Lesson	قواعد اسم الفاعل واسم المفعول وتمرين 15	القواعد (سقوط "ن" الإضافة) ص 58 Exercise # 16 Page 59	
Tuesday First Lesson	نص أعياد المسيحيين (ممكن استبداله)	Exercise # 1+2 Page 70	
Second Lesson	قواعد سقوط النون في الإضافة وتمارينها + نشاط قراءة: تكريم المستشرق الألمانية أن ماري شيمل	Exercise #3 Page 71	
Wednesday First Lesson	استماع رمضان في عمان نشاط محادثة + تفعيل مفردات الصحافة العربية	Study for Midterm	
Second Lesson	Chapter 3 مع الصحافة العربية المفردات الجديدة تمرين 5 اسالوا زملائكم	Exercise #7 Page 73	
Thursday First Lesson		Exercise #8 Page 74 Exercise #10 ب/ Page 77	Midterm Exam
Second Lesson	تمارين المفردات الجديدة 4 + 9 + 6	Exercise #11 Page 77 Exercise # 16 Page 81	
Week 3 Sunday	<i>Holiday (No class)</i>		
Monday	<i>Holiday (No class)</i>		
Tuesday	<i>Holiday (No class)</i>		

Wednesday First Lesson	العبارات الجديدة وتمارينها نشاط كتابة : استخدام أدوات الربط تمرين 14	Study for Quiz	
Second Lesson	نص بدايات الصحافة العربية تمرين 17 تمرين 11	القواعد ("كان" وأخواتها) ص 85-86 Exercise #20 Page 87 Exercise #22 Page 89	
Thursday First Lesson		القواعد (الفعل المبني للمجهول) ص 90-93 Exercise #23 Page 93	Quiz 2
Second Lesson	قواعد :كان وأخواتها + تمرين 21 + قواعد :الإضافة : مراجعة وتوسيع	Exercise #25/ A Page 95	
<u>Week 4</u> Sunday First Lesson	قواعد :الفعل المبني للمجهول تمرين 24	Exercise #1 Page 107 Exercise #8 Page 112 Exercise #2 Page 108	
Second Lesson	نص المرأة العربية والصحافة تمرين 25/ب تمرين 27 مراجعة المفردات من خلال تمرين 28	العبارات الجديدة ص 114 Exercise #11/ب page 114 Exercise #7 Page 111	
Monday First Lesson	Chapter 4 مهمة الجامعة المفردات الجديدة + تمرين 3+5	Exercise #13 Page 116 Exercise #17 Page 121	
Second Lesson	إكمال المفردات تمرين 4+10 + العبارات الجديدة	Exercise #19 Page 123 Exercise #21 Page 126	
Tuesday First Lesson	تمرين 9 نص مهمة الجامعة تمرين 14+ قواعد :إن وأخواتها + تمرين 18	Exercise # 1 Page 138 Exercise #2 Page 139	
Second Lesson	اسم المكان قواعد : جمع التكسير + تمرين 20 الممنوع من الصرف + تمرين 22 + مراجعة الإعراب	Exercise #6 Page 143 Exercise #7 Page 144 دراسة العبارات الجديدة ص 146	
Wednesday First Lesson	Chapter 5 شخصيات من الأدب العربي الحديث المفردات الجديدة تمرين 3+4	Exercise #12 Page 148	
Second Lesson	تمرين 5 تمرين 8 العبارات الجديدة تمرين 9	القواعد (الإضافة غير الحقيقية) ص 152 Exercise # 16 Page 153 القواعد (أفعل التفضيل) ص 155- 156 Exercise # 19 Page 157	

Thursday First Lesson	نص وفاة توفيق الحكيم تمرين 13+15	القواعد (التمييز) ص 159 Exercise # 21 Page 160	
Second Lesson	قواعد : الوصف والمقارنة : الإضافة غير الحقيقية وأفعال التفضيل تمرين 17 + 20	مراجعة للامتحان النهائي	
<u>Week 5</u> Sunday First Lesson	تمرين 18 + التمييز تمرين 22		
Second Lesson	مراجعة للامتحان النهائي		
Monday	Final Exam		Final Exam
Tuesday	Reflection		