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ARAB 101 Arabic I (3 Credit Hours)

This course is designed for beginners and those with modest acquaintance to Arabic. Through a culturally rich context, it focuses on functional articulation of Modern Standard Arabic with a limited exposure to Damascene (Shaami) dialect.

Interdisciplinary Option: Arabic Language and Culture, Islamic World Studies

Course equivalencies: ARAB101/IWS101A

Outcomes:

Students will be able to write simple sentences, understand selected principles of basic grammar and vocabulary, and will be introduced to Modern Standard Arabic as well as to a modern spoken dialect; Students will learn aspects of Arab culture

ARAB 102 Arabic 102 (3 Credit Hours)

Pre-requisites: ARAB 101 completed with C- or higher

This course continues focusing on active functional use of Modern Standard Arabic and Damascene dialect to help students develop speaking, listening, reading comprehension, and writing skills in diverse sociocultural contexts. Students with equivalent preparation must be assessed for placement.

Interdisciplinary Option: Arabic Language and Culture, Islamic World Studies

Course equivalencies: X-ARAB102/IWS102A

Outcomes:

Students are expected to be able to sustain conversations on daily life topics, to comprehend and compose simple authentic multimodal texts, and integrate interdisciplinary knowledge of the Arab world (language, religion, history, geography, or cultures) through a project

ARAB 103 Arabic 103 (3 Credit Hours)

Pre-requisites: ARAB 102 completed with C- or higher

This course continues focusing on active functional use of Modern Standard Arabic and Damascene dialect in familiar topics reflecting the behavior of native speakers. Students are expected to reach low-mid intermediate proficiency levels. Students with equivalent preparation must be assessed for placement.

Interdisciplinary Option: Arabic Language and Culture, Islamic World Studies

Course equivalencies: ARAB103/IWS103A

Outcomes:

Students are expected to be able to initiate and sustain simple social interactions about self and immediate environment; Students will be able to comprehend and compose simple authentic multimodal texts and apply such interdisciplinary knowledge of the Arab world (language, religion, history, geography, or cultures) through a final project

ARAB 104 Arabic 104 (3 Credit Hours)

Pre-requisites: ARAB 103 completed with C- or higher

The course help students build an active learning solid foundation in the intermediate level of functional use of Arabic. Students are expected to learn how to own their learning process and engage critically in representations of self and others. Students with equivalent preparation must be assessed for placement.

Interdisciplinary Option: Arabic Language and Culture, Islamic World Studies

Course equivalencies: X-ARAB104/IWS104A

Outcomes:

Students are expected to be able to compose and comprehend more complex authentic multi modal texts in topics of relevance to student, investments and fields of study; They will articulate their integrative interdisciplinary knowledge of the Arab world through a final project

ARAB 250 Advanced Composition And Conversation (3 Credit Hours)

Pre-requisites: ARAB 104 or equivalent; Students' self-assessment is not sufficient for placement in an appropriate level of Arabic class

The focus of the course assignments is to connect classroom work and community-based service learning into a constructive coordinated dual relationship. Besides classroom language learning, students will complete 20 hours in community-based work at an organization of service to Arab and Muslim immigrants and refugees. Some readings may be in English.

Interdisciplinary Option: Arabic Language and Culture, Islamic World Studies

This course satisfies the Engaged Learning requirement.

Course equivalencies: ARAB250/IWS250A

Outcomes:

Students will synthesize classroom and community-based learning contexts to reflect on collective and individual explorations of concepts of civic engagement with Arab/Muslim communities; They will demonstrate awareness of self and community through learning portfolios and public presentations

ARAB 251 Advanced Composition and Conversation II (3 Credit Hours)

This course emphasizes the development of advanced Arabic speaking and writing skills and examines grammar and vocabulary in relation to advanced skill development. Conducted entirely in Arabic.

Interdisciplinary Option: Arabic Language and Culture, Islamic World Studies

Course equivalencies: X-ARAB251/IWS251A

Outcomes:

Students will be able to demonstrate advanced reading, writing, listening, and speaking skills in Arabic; Students will also be able to demonstrate knowledge of significant aspects of the Arab world and culture in relation to their major field of study