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ARBC 101. Beginning Arabic I. 1 Credit.

Offered Either Fall or Spring; Lecture hours:3, Recitation:1

Beginning language skills. Practice in listening, speaking, reading and writing. Elementary grammar. Introduction to Arabic culture.

ARBC 102. Beginning Arabic II. 1 Credit.

Offered Either Fall or Spring; Lecture hours:3, Recitation:1

Continuation of Arabic language skills. Practice in listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Prerequisite: ARBC 101 or equivalent.

ARBC 103. Intermediate Arabic I. 1 Credit.

Offered Either Fall or Spring; Lecture hours:3, Recitation:1

A continuation and review of basic grammar, emphasizing all four language skills and culture. Prerequisite: ARBC 101A or ARBC 102 or equivalent.

ARBC 104. Intermediate Arabic II. 1 Credit.

Offered Spring Semester Only; Lecture hours:3, Recitation:1

Review of basic grammar with an emphasis on all four language skills and culture. Prerequisite: ARBC 103 or equivalent.

ARBC 110. Reading in Arabic. 1 Credit.

Offered Either Fall or Spring; Lecture hours:3

The course aims to develop reading competence in Modern Standard Arabic (MSA), meaning this course is not designed to integrate the four-skill approach. The goal of the course is to reach proficiency of intermediate level in authentic MSA reading materials. Completing ARBC 101 is a prerequisite for this course.

ARBC 120. Everyday Shami Arabic. 1 Credit.

Offered Either Fall or Spring; Lecture hours:3

This course will introduce students to intermediate everyday Arabic, specifically Palestinian dialect and cultures. This full-credit course is equal to the two half-credit ARBC 121 and ARBC 122 courses. Prerequisite: ARBC 102.

ARBC 121. Arabic Conversation in Shami I. .5 Credits.

Offered Either Fall or Spring; Lecture hours:2

Concentration on development of speaking skills. Conducted entirely in Arabic. Prerequisite: ARBC 102. It is not open to students who have taken ARBC 120.

ARBC 122. Arabic Conversation in Shami II. .5 Credits.

Offered Either Fall or Spring; Lecture hours:2

Concentration on development of speaking skills. Conducted entirely in Arabic. Prerequisite: ARBC 121. It is not open to students who have taken ARBC 120.

ARBC 150. Topics in Arabic Studies. 1 Credit.

Lecture hours:3; Repeatable

Study of topics in Arabic language, cultures, and societies.

ARBC 201. Intermediate Arabic Conversation I. .5 Credits.

Offered Fall Semester Only; Lecture hours:2

Concentration on development of speaking skills. Conducted entirely in Arabic by native speaker. Prerequisite: ARBC 102. Not open to students who have taken ARBC 205.

ARBC 202. Intermediate Arabic Conversation II. .5 Credits.

Offered Spring Semester Only; Lecture hours:2

Concentration on development of speaking skills. Conducted entirely in Arabic by native speaker. Prerequisite: ARBC 201. Not open to students who have taken ARBC 205.

ARBC 205. Advanced Everyday Arabic. 1 Credit.

Offered Either Fall or Spring; Lecture hours:3

This course will introduce students to intermediate to advanced everyday Arabic, specifically Palestinian dialect and culture. Prerequisites: ARBC 104 and ARBC 120.

ARBC 206. Arabic Translation in the Age of Al. 1 Credit.

Offered Either Fall or Spring; Lecture hours:3

This course aims to familiarize students with Arabic language translation techniques and provide them with the necessary skills for translation between Arabic and English. The course's emphasis lies in exploring where and how traditional translation methods fit in the age of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and other computation tools.

ARBC 217. Advanced Arabic I. 1 Credit.

Offered Either Fall or Spring; Lecture hours:3

Designed to equip students with advanced intermediate competence in Modern Standard Arabic and spoken Arabic, targeting the skills of speaking, reading, writing, and listening. Prerequisite: ARBC 104 or by permission of the program director.

ARBC 218. Advanced Arabic II. 1 Credit.

Offered Either Fall or Spring; Lecture hours:3

Designed to equip students with advanced competence in Modern Standard Arabic and spoken Arabic, targeting the skills of speaking, reading, writing and listening. Prerequisites: students must have taken ARBC 217 or ARBC 250 if it was taught in Arabic and permission of the instructor.

ARBC 220. Transformations of Identities: The Arab Minority in Israel. 1 Credit.

Offered Either Fall or Spring; Lecture hours:3

The course aims to explore the evolving social and cultural changes in the Arab minority in Israel, and seeks to develop an understanding of the ongoing effects of globalization on a non-Western society.

ARBC 221. A Window into Middle Eastern Culture in Amman. 1 Credit.

Offered Summer Session Only; Lecture hours:3

This course aims to explore Jordan's cultures and will consist of four components: twice-weekly class discussions, four lectures by local guest speakers, two community service opportunities and field trips. The course will cover interdisciplinary materials, such as History, Religious Studies, Cultural Studies, Gender Studies, Politics, Refugees Studies and Sustainability.

ARBC 250. Topics in Arabic Studies. 1 Credit.

Offered Either Fall or Spring; Lecture hours:3; Repeatable

Study of topics in Arabic language, cultures and societies. Prerequisites: ARBC 104 and permission of the instructor. This course can be taught in Arabic or English based on the program's needs.

ARBC 251. Advanced Independent Study in Arabic. 1 Credit.

Offered Fall, Spring or Summer; Lecture hours: Varies, Other: 3; Repeatable

This course is designed to build Advanced proficiency in Arabic.

ARBC 260. Cinema in The Arab World. 1 Credit.

Offered Either Fall or Spring; Lecture hours:3

This course will survey various aspects of cinema in the Arab world from different periods in history. It will consider how cinema explores topics such as gender and sexuality, national identity, political conflicts, immigration and refugees, religious influence and censorship. This course will be offered in English.

ARBC 261. Media, Power, and the Middle East. 1 Credit.

Offered Either Fall or Spring; Lecture hours:3

This course seeks to critically analyze the discourse of the U.S. mass media and public policy decision-making toward Arabs and Muslims. The course aims to furnish students with knowledge about power, media, and discourse to build better global awareness of minorities and their human rights.

ARBC 301. Advanced Topics in Arabic. .5-1 Credits.

Offered Either Fall or Spring; Lecture hours: Varies, Other: Varies; Repeatable

Advanced Arabic independent study under the direction and supervision of an instructor. Topics to be selected by the student in consultation with the instructor. Prerequisites: ARBC 217 and permission of the instructor.

ARBC 380. Independent Study in Arabic. .5-1 Credits.

Offered Either Fall or Spring; Lecture hours: Varies, Other: Varies; Repeatable

Subject to be selected by student in consultation with the instructor. Prerequisites: ARBC 217 and permission of the instructor.