



Modern Standard Arabic 1

Year:	2016-2017
Catalog Number:	
Teacher(s):	Heba El Ramly
Language:	English
Blackboard:	No
EC:	5
Level:	100
Period:	Semester 2
Hours of study:	86 hrs
Lectures:	26 hrs
Practical work:	26 hrs
Tutoring:	hrs
Examination:	2 hrs
Other:	hrs
Elective choice:	Yes/No
Contractonderwijs:	Yes/No
Exchange:	Yes/No
Study abroad:	Yes/No
Evening course:	Yes/No
A la carte:	Yes/No
Honours class:	Yes/No

Admission requirements

This course is available for second and third year Bachelor students from the Humanities and Social Sciences. Please note: this course takes place in Cairo, Egypt.

Description

This course introduces the students to Modern Standard Arabic (MSA). It assumes no prior knowledge of Arabic. The initial focus will be on learning how to read and write the Arabic alphabet. Students will learn how to read and write isolated words, identify greetings and common expressions in Arabic. The remainder of the course is devoted to the syntax of basic nominal sentences, which will be taught through interactive exercises. The vocabulary will focus on common expressions as well as terminology related to Middle East studies.

Course objectives

Students will

- Be able to identify, read, and write Arabic.
- Be able to read names and (street) signs in Arabic.
- Read and write basic sentences about themselves.
- Use basic terminology related to Middle East Studies.

Timetable

Mode of instruction

One two-hour interactive seminar per week.



Attending the lectures and seminars is compulsory. If you are not able to attend a lecture or seminar, please inform the coordinator of the course. Being absent without notification may result in a lower grade.

Course load

The total course load for the course is 140 hours (5 EC x 28 hrs), broken down as follows:

- Attendance in weekly lectures and seminars: $13 \times 2 = 26$ hrs
- Self-study, studying grammar and vocabulary = 52 hrs
- Time for preparing assignments: 26 hrs
- Time for reviewing/preparing for exams: 34 hrs
- Exam: 2 hrs

Assessment method

Continuous assessment of attendance, participation in the seminars, and assignments. The periodical evaluation consists of written exam. A resit exam is available to students whose average mark of the midterm and final exam is insufficient.

The final grade is made up of:

- Attendance 15%
- Participation 15%
- Assignments 20%
- Midterm exam 15%
- Final Exam 35%

Blackboard

N/A

Reading list

The course materials consist of handouts prepared by the instructors.

Registration

To register, please contact NVIC (info@nvic.leidenuniv.nl).

Registration studeren à la carte and contractonderwijs

N/A

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Remarks

Is part of	Programme type	Semester	Block
The Arab World Today: a semester abroad in Middle East Studies	Semester abroad, Bachelor	2	