

ARABIC (ARAB)

ARAB 101 | FIRST SEMESTER ARABIC

Units: 3

Prerequisites: Passing the appropriate departmental placement test within the previous year

An introduction to the four basic language skills: listening, speaking, reading, and writing of Modern Standard Arabic as well as the cultures of Arabic-speaking peoples. At the end of the semester students will have sufficient comprehension to understand utterances about basic survival needs and minimum courtesy and travel requirements in areas of immediate need or on very familiar topics. Students will be able to speak, read, and write using memorized material and set expressions.

ARAB 102 | SECOND SEMESTER ARABIC

Units: 3

Prerequisites: ARAB 101 or Passing the appropriate departmental placement test within the previous year

Continuation of the skills developed in Arabic 101. Increased practice in reading and writing. Acquisition of new vocabulary consolidated through conversation stressing the relationship between language and culture. Students can typically satisfy with ease predictable, simple, personal, and accommodation needs and meet courtesy, introduction, and identification requirements; exchange greetings; elicit and provide predictable and skeletal biographical information.

ARAB 140 | TOPICS IN ARABIC LITERATURE AND CULTURE

Units: 3 Repeatability: Yes (Repeatable if topic differs)

Non-Core Attributes: Literature-Pre F17 CORE

Study at the lower-division level of a topic in Arabic literature and culture. This course is taught in English and will not satisfy the Language Core requirement.

ARAB 141 | TOPICS IN ARAB-AMERICAN LITERATURE, FILM OR CULTURE

Units: 3 Repeatability: Yes (Repeatable if topic differs)

Core Attributes: Literary Inquiry area, Domestic Diversity level 1

Study at the lower-division level of a topic in Arab-American literature and culture with a focus on domestic diversity. This course is taught in English and satisfies the core requirements for Literary Inquiry and DISJ-Domestic, level 1, but does not satisfy the core Second Language requirement.

ARAB 142 | TOPICS IN ARABIC LITERATURE IN TRANSLATION, FILM-GLOBAL

Units: 3 Repeatability: Yes (Repeatable if topic differs)

Core Attributes: Literary Inquiry area, Global Diversity level 1

Study at the lower-division level of a topic in Arabic literature, film and/or culture with a Global Focus. This course is taught in English and satisfies the core requirements for Literary Inquiry and DISJ-Global, level 1, but does not satisfy the core Second Language requirement.

ARAB 194 | SPECIAL TOPICS IN ARABIC

Units: 1-3 Repeatability: Yes (Repeatable if topic differs)

Study at the lower-division level of a topic in Arabic literature and culture. This course is taught in English and will not satisfy the Language Core requirement.

ARAB 201 | THIRD SEMESTER ARABIC

Units: 3

Core Attributes: Second language competency

Prerequisites: ARAB 102 or Passing the appropriate departmental placement test within the previous year

Further development of language competence to the intermediate level.

Introduction of easier literary and cultural readings that will solidify reading skills and provide deeper understanding of Arabic cultures. By the end of the course, students should be able to identify family members, relatives and social relations; describe professions and college study subjects and specializations; describe concrete places and situations; understand, express, and respond to abstract and information questions; read dialogues and paragraphs; write more articulate sentences and paragraphs. Prerequisite: ARAB 102 or equivalent or Placement Exam. Every Fall.

ARAB 202 | FOURTH SEMESTER ARABIC

Units: 3

Prerequisites: ARAB 201 or Passing the appropriate departmental placement test within the previous year

Continued development of reading, writing, listening, and speaking skills. Student will be able to satisfy routine social demands and limited work requirements and routine work-related interactions that are limited in scope. Student will be able to handle most normal, high-frequency social conversational situations including extensive, but casual conversations about current events, as well as work, family, and autobiographical information.

ARAB 294 | SPECIAL TOPICS IN ARABIC

Units: 1-3 Repeatability: Yes (Repeatable if topic differs)

Prerequisites: ARAB 202

Study at the lower-division level of a special topic in language, literature, or culture. This course may be repeated for credit when the topic changes. When offered, selected subjects will be announced on the MySanDiego portal. If taught in English, this course will not fulfill the Core Curriculum language requirement. Consult with instructor or the department chair.

ARAB 303 | MEDIA ARABIC

Units: 3 Repeatability: No

Prerequisites: ARAB 202

This course uses Arabic media reporting in written, audio and video formats, to focus on political, economic and security issues in their cultural contexts. The course strengthens students' language foundation in all aspects of modern standard Arabic, including speaking, listening, reading, and writing. There will be an emphasis on improvement of speaking skills through discussion of current events and through classroom presentations.

ARAB 306 | ARABIC DIALECTS

Units: 3 Repeatability: No

Prerequisites: ARAB 202

Students will expand their knowledge and exposure to the Egyptian and Levantine dialects through an intensive study of the dialects and cultures. Focus will be on the spoken dialects in modern usage. Students will explore similarities and differences between these two dialects in relation to Modern Standard Arabic. The course also strengthens students' language foundation in speaking, listening, reading, and writing.

ARAB 394 | SPECIAL TOPICS IN ARABIC

Units: 1-3 Repeatability: Yes (Repeatable if topic differs)

Prerequisites: ARAB 202

Study at the third-year level of a special topic in language, literature, or culture. This course may be repeated for credit when the topic changes. When offered, selected subjects will be announced on the MySanDiego portal. If taught in English, this course will not fulfill the Core Curriculum language requirement. Consult with instructor or the department chair.

ARAB 493 | FIELD EXPERIENCE

Units: 1-3 Repeatability: Yes (Can be repeated for Credit)

Non-Core Attributes: Experiential

Placement in a community agency where advanced Arabic language skills will be utilized.

ARAB 499 | INDEPENDENT STUDY

Units: 1-3 Repeatability: Yes (Repeatable if topic differs)

A program arranged between the advanced student and the instructor to provide intensive study in a particular area of interest. Extensive reading and consultation are required, as well as preparation of reports to be assigned by the instructor.