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Course Description:
An overview of the Arab World helps the student gain information and insight in several areas including history, culture, art, religion and historical development of the Arabic language. This course is an introduction to the phonology, morphology, and syntax of classic and modern standard Arabic.

Textbook:
*Elementary Modern Standard Arabic 1* (REQUIRED)
Peter F. Abboud, Cambridge University Press

Some other Software’s and CD materials, for conversational practices.

Arabic website links for vocabularies, grammar, and translation issues.

Course Objectives:
Learn pronunciation and writing of the alphabet. Learn basic structures of Arabic and acquire an active vocabulary in the language. Learn aspects of Arabic culture that relate to lesson topics.

HONOR CODE:
The Honor Code, as adapted and approved by the Honor Council, will be strictly upheld in this class. Students who violate it are subject to severe disciplinary action by instructor and / or the Honor Council.

ATTENDANCE:
The cooperation and participation of all students enrolled is essential and attendance is therefore mandatory. The intensive nature of this class demands daily participation and punctuality at all course meetings. The instructor will not excuse an absence that is not brought to his/her attention before the date in question.
Three or more unexcused absences will result in a grade penalty as assessed in the scale below. Late arrival to class on three occasions shall be considered the equivalent of an unexcused absence.

**Up to (20 pts) can be deducted from overall grade points.**

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**SYLLABUS**

Week 1 & 2  
Lecture and Introduction  
Arabic Pronunciation, Writing – Reading, and Numerals, drills

Week 2 & 4  
Lesson 1, Gender in pronouns, Interrogatives, drills  
Lesson 2, Interrogative in phrase, Nuation, Nominative case, gender in nouns, drills

Week 5 & 6  
Lesson 3, Genitive case, helping vowels, the definite article, demonstrative phrases, Numerals, 1-5, drills  
Lesson 4, Negative of equational sentences, Word order, Numerals, 6-10

Week 7 & 8  
Lesson 5, Noun-adjective phrases, pronoun of separation, Nisba, pronouns suffixes w/nouns, drills  
Lesson 6, Verbs: perfect tense, 3 m.s. and 3 f.s., verbal sentences, Idafa, MID TERM, TBA

Week 9 & 10  
Lesson 7, perfect tense, 2 m.s., 2 f.s., 1s, Demonstratives, numerals, 11-19  
Lesson 8, Idafa, V-S agreement, independent pronouns, pron. Suffixes

Week 11 & 12  
Lesson 9, nouns: each, all, some, V-S agr. and practices, drills  

Week 13 & 14  
Lesson 11, roots, forms, jussive, feminine sound plural, drills  
Lesson 12, plural/jussive, verb: to please, adjectives, drills, FINAL EXAM, TBA

**Grading:**

- Midterm: 25%
- Final Exam: 25%
- Quiz / Participation: 30%
- Oral presentation: 15%
- Assignment: 5%