

Cuyamaca College
Arabic 121 - Arabic II
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Instructor

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Course Description

Continuation of Arabic 120. Continues to develop oral and written skills based on practical everyday needs.

Texts (Required)

“Al-Kitaab fii Taallum Al-Arabiyya with DVDs” Brustad, Kristen. Al-Batal, Mahmoud. Al-Tonsi, Abbas. Part one, Second Edition.

Objectives

- Understand main ideas of simple texts and conversations mostly of highly predictable topics which may include personal biographies, routine or habitual activities, description of people, places or things, and weather.
- Carry on simple conversations related to previously mentioned topics.
- Communicate in writing in the form of notes, paragraphs, and letters to express personal opinions, ideas and reflection on the cultural content of the course.
- Read with comprehension material in Modern Standard Arabic.
- Learn more about Arab Culture.

Content and Activities

- Listing and speaking tasks organized around thematic units on simple everyday topics to enable students deal with situations as : Transportation, living arrangements, leisure activities, work, school, health and money matters.
- Presentation of grammar explanations to facilitate the acquisition and oral production of the language.
- Discussion of cultural differences between the Arabic speaking world and the students’ own cultures.
- Development of students’ writing skills to enable them to produce in writing what they can communicate orally.
- Presentation of authentic reading material through library resources and Internet research.
- Activities Include: Writing exercising, paired and group activities, games, discussion of cultural content asking and answering questions.

Homework

Arabic is a subject learned by practicing the language, therefore, doing your homework is very important to succeed in this class. In addition you are expected to study and learn the vocabulary, listen and watch course DVDs at home.

*If you have any difficulty with any homework assignments please contact me or see me after class hours.

Attendance

You are expected to attend every class. You will be dropped from class for having more than four absences.

*Last day to drop without W and full refund is **Sept. 4**

It is the students responsibility to drop the class if you don't wish to receive a grade at the end of the semester, otherwise you will be given a grade.

Grading

Your grade for the class is based on:

Class participation.....	15%
Homework.....	15%
Presentations.....	10%
Quizzes.....	20%
Mid Term Exam.....	15%
Final exam.....	25%
<hr/> Total	<hr/> 100%

Grading scale is 90%-100% = A
80%-89% = B
70%-79% = C
60%-69% = D
Below 60% = F

Classroom Policy

- Students are expected to attend every class, be on time, participate actively, and leave when dismissed by the instructor.
- Please turn off all cell phones, pagers, and other distracting electronic devices in class.
- Disrespectful behavior in class will result in a deduction of points from overall points earned in class and/or you will be asked to leave.
- No gum in class!
- Don't interrupt class by coming late. If you think you will be late to your next class for a reasonable reason, you have to let me know before hand.
- There will be no make up exams.

Tutoring

To support your efforts to succeed in this class, I refer you to Supervised Tutoring Services that are available. Please refer to the schedule listing. All Supervised Tutoring sections are FREE to you. You need only to enroll to receive services. No units or grades are given.