CIEE Amman, Jordan

Course title: Media Arabic  
Course code: ARAB 3007 AMJO  
Programs offering course: Middle East Studies  
Language of instruction: Arabic  
U.S. semester credits: 3  
Contact hours: 45  
Term: Fall 2020

Course Description

This course discusses the most resent and important events both regionally and internationally by referring to various media sources either written or visual. In addition, news material would be discussed by referring to multiple news outlet and resources for the purposes of comparison. The course will also heavily focus on media-related vocabulary.

Learning Objectives

By completing this course, students will:

- Comprehend the most important media-related vocabulary
- Analyze each news resource ideology with the specific way of presenting news material to its audience
- Produce political, economic and social discussions
- Compare different news sources

Course Prerequisites

Students should be at the Intermediate II level or above according to ACTFL. The course requires students to have a prior knowledge of vocab, terms and compositions of press and media related subjects, such as politics, economy, diplomacy and international relations, wars and conflicts, political parties and regimes.

Methods of Instruction
Based teaching in this decision on the texts of news and news reports written and audio, and it will be dealt with reading and listening, discussion and dialogue.

- Gives students a news story to read it at home and then discuss it in class after clarifying the meanings of words and difficult compositions
- Students are asked to follow the news to the issue of what, by reading in the newspaper, or listen to the satellite channel, and then speaks of each student in the class what they read or heard
- Cost of each student to pursue the subject (political, or economic, or social, or otherwise) during the quarter to write a newspaper report presented in the last chapter in front of the class.

Assessment and Final Grade

1. Homework 10%
2. Midterm Exam 20%
3. Presentations 15%
4. Final Exam 30%
5. Term's Project 15%
6. Participation 10%

TOTAL 100%

Course Requirements

Homework

Homework is due in class on the date noted on the weekly plan schedule and should be handed in at the beginning of each period. Students are expected to keep all handouts and organize them so that they can use them again in the future.

Midterm Exam

The midterm exam will be divided into two parts; one is written, and the other is an oral presentation on a topic assigned by the instructor.

Presentations
The students will be engaged in numerous communicative activities, which include frequent class presentations about different topics covered during the course.

Final Exam

At the end of the term, there will be a final exam that includes a set of articles and questions including text analysis.

Term's Project

Students will choose a topic of their interest and produce a research paper according to the guidelines provided by the instructor. In addition, students must present their paper to the class.

Participation

In order to get the most out of each class, it is very important that you are prepared, alert, and engaged during class activities. In-class activities are designed with the assumption that you already studied the vocabulary and grammar explanations at home and are prepared to activate that knowledge in class.

Attendance

It is essential that you attend every class in order to not fall behind. If you come to class late it will reduce your participation grade. If you are more than 20 minutes late for class, it will be considered an absence.

N.B. Course schedule is subject to change due to study tours, excursions, or local holidays. Final schedules will be included in the final syllabus provided to students on site.

Weekly Schedule

Week 1
Class: 1.1
Introduction

Arabic and Jordanian Media – تفاحصلا -يبعرلا مالعإلاو تفاحصلا -يندرألا مالعإلاو

News Resources – تفرحللا عابنلا تلااكو تامولعملا رداصل م قيلودل او

Activities: Discussion

Homework:

• Prepare the Article: the future of the political Jordanian system

Reading:

• Anis Khasawna, 2017: يندرألا يسايسلما ماظنلا لبقتسم
  https://www.raialyoum.com/index.php

Class: 1.2

Jordan News: poltics, econmoics, international relations

News report + article: Jordan: One Thousand Solar Powered Mosques

Homework:

• Prepare your presentation about the article

Reading:

• Skynews, 2018: قيسم شهلا تقاطلاب لمعي دجسمل هفلأ ..ندرآلا
Week 2
Class: 2.2

Presentations

Cont. Jordan News

Homework:

- Listen to the news and write about one article and why you were interested in.
- Study for quiz

Class: 2.2

Vocab quiz

Middle East News Report:  תוכלامية لإلى وضعية وعي وإداعيا  قوة نسب تابعية ين ف

Discussion

Homework:

- Prepare the article on Iran and its Effect in the Region

Reading:

- BBC Arabic, 2017:  تدخل وعي وإداعيا قوة نسب تابعية ين ف

www.bbc.com/arabic/media-46722832

Week 3
Class: 3.1
Middle East News:

قرشلا قطنم يف يميلقلاا امريثات و ناريلا طسولاا

Homework:

- Write a paper about what we discussed in the class and what are your opinion and why

Reading:

- Rawabet Center, 2018: قطنم يف يميلقلاا امريثات و ناريلا طسولاا قرشلا
  www.rawabetcenter.com/archives/60757

Class: 3.2

Cont. طسولاا قرشلا قطنم يف يميلقلاا امريثات و ناريلا

Homework:

- Watch the video on The Iranian Influence in Iraq is a Threat for Israel

Week 4

Class: 4.1

Discussion: ليئارسإ ددهي قارعلا يف يناريلا ذوفنلأ

Reading:

- Skynews Arabic, 2019: ددهي قارعلا يف يناريلا ذوفنلأ "ليئارسأ
  https://www.skynewsarabia.com/video/1213840

Homework:
• Prepare the news article: The Most Prominent Economic Crises in the World

Class: 4.2

Economic Crisis: ملاعلا اهمش يتلا في داصتقلأا تامزالا زربأ:

Reading:

• اهمش يتلا في داصتقلأا تامزالا زربأ. "2015، شي، طق عافص ملاعلا"

www.alhayat.com/article/691399

Homework:

• Watch the report about the American-Chinese Economic Crisis

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MJh7N4wdIv8

Week 5

Class: 5.1

Discussion about the American-Chinese Trade War

Reading:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MJh7N4wdIv8

Homework:

• Answer the worksheet about the news report

Class: 5.2

In-class worksheet

Cont. the article
Homework: Prepare your presentation

- Prepare questions about what studied

Week 6
Class: 6.1

Midterm presentations

Homework: Study for Midterm

Class: 6.2 Midterm Exam

Week 7
Class: 7.1

Women and Politics: ..اكیرمأ خیرات ىف ةرم لوأل سرجنوكلا ةیوضعب نزفی

Discussion

Reading:

- Amad, 2018. "..اكیرمأ خیرات ىف ةرم لوأل سرجنوكلا ةیوضعب نزفی" www.amad.ps/ar/details/265685

Homework:

- Watch the Video
  www//akhbaar24.argam.com/article/detail/415949

Class: 7.2

Worksheet about the Video

Reading:
Week 8
Class:  8.1 .

Cont. Women and Politics

Class:  8.2 .

Class Discussion with guest speaker

Homework:

- Write a paper about your opinion on the topic

Week 9
Class:  9.1 .

Today in the News

Discussion

Homework:

- Prepare the article about Human Trafficking

Reading:

- www.un.org/ar/events/humantrafficking/background.shtml

Class:  9.2 .

Human Rights: صاخشالاب راجت‌الا ًفحفاح الال يملاعل لالم ماويللا

Discussion

Homework:
Watch the video and answer the questions
Prepare your presentation

Reading:

- United Nations, "حَمْلَةٌ لِلْمُذْهَبَاتِ الصَّاحِبَةَ". 
- AlJazeera Arabic, "ردًا على حملة للتمييز بين الراحلين". 2010.
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RtABBg7SPZI

Class: 10.1

Presentations

Today in the News

Discussion

Homework:

- Study for quiz

Class: 10.2

Quiz

Weather Forecast: "سَقْطَةٌ رَابِحَةٌ"

Sports News: "قَصَّةٌ إِبْرَاهِيمٌ رَابِحَةٌ"

Readings:
Week 11
Class: 11.1.

Weather and Sport News

Discussion

Homework:

- Watch BBC Trending
- Answer questions about the video

Reading:

- BBC Trending, 2018
  https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s8TrG1N9CB8

Class: 11.2.

Video Discussion

Reading:

- BBC Trending, 2018
  https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s8TrG1N9CB8

Week 12
Class: 12.1.

Ramadan: يمُسَلَّمًا وَيَبَرَّعُوا مِنَ الْيَوْمِ لَوْلَا نَضْمَرُ سَوْقَت

Homework:

- Prepare your questions

Readings:
Course Materials
Readings

This material will always be up-to-date, because it depends on the news of recent political in Jordan, the region and the world.

- "في سوريا: قطاع إطلاع لمصرعي دفسم فكل. ندرآلا 2018، زيبرع زيويه يكس.\n  Skynews, Dec. 28
- www.skynewsarabia.com/video/1212673
- Anis Khasawna, 2017, "ندرآلا يسایسلا ماظنلا لبقتسملا لبقتنم", Rai Alyoum, Nov. 1
- www.bbc.com/arabic/media-46722832
- قرشلا قططنم يف يميقو.لا امریکات و ناریا " 2018, یلاد یناجیلا Rawabet Center for Research and Strategic Studies, Jan. 25.
- www.rawabetcenter.com/archives/60757
- Skynews Arabic, 2019, "ليبارس يف قارعلا يف يناریلا ذوفنی", Jan 1.
Students will be asked to follow news from various media resources such as newspapers: Al-Ra’i, Al-Dostoor, Al-Gad, and Al-Sabeel, Al-Ahram, Al-Hayat, and Al-Quds Al-Arabi and satellite TV: Al Jazeera, BBC, Al-Arabia, CNN.