CIEE Amman, Jordan

Course title: Modern Standard Arabic, Advanced III
Course code: ARAB 3013 AMJO
Programs offering course: Diplomacy and Policy Studies, Language and Culture, Middle East Studies
Language of instruction: Arabic
U.S. semester credits: 6
Contact hours: 90
Term: Fall 2020

Course Description

This course complements the competency of Modern Standard Arabic achieved in previous studies. Overall pace and material covered will be determined by the baseline proficiency level of the class. Based on the results of the proficiency test, instructors may include an extended review, including concepts covered in previous levels. In other cases, instructors may accelerate the pace and introduce new concepts at the end of term. These adjustments will be included in the weekly plans.

Learning Objectives

By completing this course, students will:

- Deconstruct the listening passage and lead a discussion on the topic
- Defend ideas and test new terms and grammatical structures when speaking
- Develop the ability to read any text and present the ideas in a clear manner and apply new terms
- Write an article or a story about Jordan, geography, history, climate, economy, politics, culture, etc.
- Distinguish between the words in relation to its position in the sentence, and use different grammatical structures and distinguish between them including changes in the meaning

Course Prerequisites
Previous Study: 5+ semesters prior study; Mastery of all materials covered in Al-Kitaab, Book III or similar series. This course will use only local, authentic source materials. Expected score on proficiency exam administered on-site: Above 75 points

Methods of Instruction

This course emphasizes a communication-based method of instruction. Students are expected to be active-learners, coming to class prepared to activate vocabulary and grammar through group activities. Instead of lecturing, instructors primarily facilitate these communication-based activities and guide student learning.

Assessment and Final Grade

1. Homework 10%
2. Oral Presentation 10%
3. Quizzes 10%
4. Mid-Term Exam 20%
5. Final Exam 20%
6. The Project 20%
7. Class Participation 10%

TOTAL 100%

Course Requirements

Homework

You are expected to turn your homework in on-time on the day that it is due. If you do not, the instructor can refuse to accept your work or reduce your grade on the assignment.

Oral Presentation

Students will be asked to prepare and present various types of graded oral presentations, such as skits, dialogues, and formal presentations. The instructor will provide the students will clear guidelines and expectations for these oral presentations so that the students can prepare accordingly. Students may prepare
scripts or outlines for these presentations but they should be prepared to deliver the presentations without reading from them verbatim.

Quizzes

There will be a number of minor quizzes throughout the semester to check that students have adequately prepared for class by learning new vocabulary or grammar lessons.

Mid-Term Exam

The midterm exam will test students on material covered up until that point in the semester.

Final Exam

The final exam is comprehensive, testing student’s mastery of all vocabulary and grammar covered in the course. It also includes sections that test all language skills: writing, reading comprehension, listening comprehension, and oral production.

The Project

At the end of the semester the student decides on a topic of their interest that was not covered in the class to present; either as a research paper, or a video filmed in a documentary style.

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. Within three days of your absence you need to submit an Absence Notification Form to the CIEE
Resident Staff. If your absence is excused they will give you an Excused Absence Confirmation that you should show to your instructors. 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

Homework:

• Prepare the article on Minorities in the Arab World

Reading:

• Watch: ملاعلا يف تايلقأ سمخ مها هذه ..ینیدلاو يقرعلا اهنم ملاعلاو ... يبرعلا https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RLf5KUDmPSo

Class: 

1.2

Vocab

Article Discussion

Homework:

• Drill 1-3 in the course reader
• Prepare reading for next class
Reading:
  https://www.aljazeera.net/knowledgegate/opinions/2004/10/3/

Class: 1.3

Drill 4

Discussion about Edward Said reading

Homework:
- Prepare your presentation about minorities in the world

Reading:
- Edward Said Edward Said and understanding Quran

Homework:
- Do the writing assignment about the minorities in the world
  - Study for the exam
Unit quiz

Listening

Homework:

- Prepare the article US-China trade war

Reading:

- Read: "Interview with..." 2018.
  [Read online](https://www.aljumhuriya.net/ar/content/...)

Class: 2.3

Vocab: US-China Trade War

Homework:

- Do Drill 1, p 18

Week 3
Class: 3.1

Cont. US-China Trade War

Homework:

- Writing Drill
- Prepare your presentation
- Do reading on Oil and Economy

Reading:

"Interview with..." 2018.
[Read online](https://ara.reuters.com/article/businessNews/idARAKBN1IB1DW)
Class:  3.2

Discussion about the Oil reading

Presentations

Homework:

• Study for Vocab Quiz

Class:  3.3

Vocab Quiz

Listening

Grammar: Numbers

Homework:

• Study for unit quiz

Week 4
Class:  4.1

Unit quiz

Listening Worksheet

Homework

• Prepare article: قلقلاو قوقحلا :ندرألا يف نويروسلا نويجلا نوئجاللا يفارغومي دلأو ينمألا

Class:  4.2

Discussion on Syrian Refugees in Jordan
Homework:

- Do drill 1-3

Reading:


Class: 4.3

Cont. article on Syrian Refugees in Jordan

Homework:

- Prepare drill 4 for class debate

Week 5
Class: 5.1

Class debate: The Role of the US in the Refugee Crisis

Homework:

- Read: Palestinian Refugees in Jordan

Class: 5.2

Discussion: Palestinian Refugees in Jordan

Grammar: The Passive

Homework:

- Writing about Refugees in the World
- Study for chapter quiz
Reading

"ندرألا يف نوينيطسلفلا نوئجاللا". 2005, قلألا ويا أ رسأي.
https://www.aljazeera.net/programs/infocus/2005/8/16/

Class: 5.3

Chapter quiz

Listening

Homework:

- Study for the Midterm

Week 6
Class: 6.1 Midterm Exam

Class: 6.2

Vocab of the new article

Listening

Homework:

- Read article: يسايسلا رارقلا عنص يف تأرملأ رود قيمأ أ

Class: 6.3

Article Discussion: Women and Political Decision-making

Homework:

- No homework
- Enjoy the Break
Reading:

- رارقلا عنص يف قارملأا رود قيمآ، "2017، قلش بیطخلا یده
  بیسایسلأا

Week 7
Class: 7.1

Article Discussion: Feminism in the Arab World

Homework:

- Drill 1-3

Reading:

- يبرعلأا ملاعلأا يف قیوسنلأا 2018، ينامکرتنلأ املأ
  https://arabic.cnn.com/world/2018/03/08/feminism-infograph

Class: 7.2

Cont. Article Discussion

Homework:

- Prepare the additional reading

Reading:

- يبرعلأا ملاعلأا يف قیوسنلأا 2018، ينامکرتنلأ املأ
  https://arabic.cnn.com/world/2018/03/08/feminism-infograph

Class: 7.3

Cont. Article Discussion
Homework:

- Prepare for class debate

Reading:

- https://arabic.cnn.com/world/2018/03/08/feminism-infograph

Week 8
Class: 8.1

Class Debate

Homework:

- Writing about feminism

Class: 8.2

Grammar: ديكوتلا

Worksheet

Homework:

- Study for chapter quiz

Class: 8.3

Chapter quiz

Listening

Homework:

- Prepare the article: Story of Andalusia
Class: 9.1

Article Discussion: The Story of Andalusia

Homework:

- Prepare the vocab
- Do Drill 1, 2, & 3

Reading:

- The Story of Andalusia
  http://kn3azemn.blogspot.com/2013/03/blog-post.html

Class: 9.2

In class Drill 1, 2 & 3

Listening

Homework:

- Prepare article: Andalusia is not ours

Reading:

انل تسيل سلادنالا . 2017, بيبيح نيديورب
http://sahafi.jo/files/art.php?id=002cb3fa5313bc19e90dd109f350d95a7cd6'

Class: 9.3

Discuss the reading: انل تسيل سلادنالا

Homework:

- Writing about a civilization of your choice

Week 10
Class: 10.1.

Continue انل تسيل سلدنألأ

Homework:

- Prepare the reading Drill

Class: 10.2.

Grammar: the condition

Homework:

- Prepare your presentation about خيراتلاب بامثالا ققالع
- Study for chapter quiz

Week 11

Class: 11.1.

Presentations

Chapter Quiz

Homework:

- Prepare Najeeb Mahfouz Reading

Reading:


Class: 11.2.

Text: Najeeb Mahfouz
Homework:

- Prepare vocab

Class: 11.3.

Cont. text
Vocab
Homework:

- Do Drill 1-4

Week 12
Class: 12.1.

Reading the text
Listening
Homework:

- Do the writing drill

Class: 12.2 Story analysis

Class: 12.3 Grammar: فرصولا نم عنونم لام

Week 13
Class: 13.1 Review

Class: 13.2 Final project Presentation

Class: 13.3 Post Test
Week 14
Class: 14.1 Final Exam

Course Materials
Readings

MLA


- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RLf5KUDmPSO

Fuller, G. 2004. Al Jazeera.


H. 2007, TV Alhurra


- https://www.aljumhuriya.net/ar/content/1

Bird, G. 2018. Reuters

- https://ara.reuters.com/article/businessNews/idARAKBN1IB1DW

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1. "Final Exam Aman." 2016. Full vs TV Alhurra


3. H. 2007, TV Alhurra


"سأسيسلا رارقلا عنص يف ةأرملا رود قيمهأ", 2017, قلش بيطخلا يده

Heinrich-Böll-Stiftung


CNN Arabic

- https://arabic.cnn.com/world/2018/03/08/feminism-infograph

Sahafi

- http://sahafi.jo/files/art.php?id=002cb3fa5313bc19e90dd109f350d95a7cd676ed
