



Study Center in Amman, Jordan

Course name:	Media Arabic
Course number:	ARAB 3007 JORD
Programs offering course:	Language & Culture and Diplomacy & Policy Studies
Language of instruction:	Arabic
U.S. Semester Credits:	3
Contact Hours:	45
Term:	Fall 2017

Course Description

Media Class is a course that discusses the most recent and important events both regionally and internationally by referring to various media sources either written or visual.

In addition, a single news material would be discussed by referring to multiple news agencies making comparisons between them many media-related vocabularies will be thoroughly concerned.

Learning Objectives

By the end of this session, students should be able to:

- 1- Understand the most important media-related vocabulary
- 2- Combine each news institution's ideology with that institution specific way of presenting the news material to its viewers
- 3- Discuss political, economic and social issues fluently and efficiently
- 4- Able to follow a single news material in different sources

As for assessment, you will be assessed on a continual basis and through multiple measures to ensure that your overall class performance, your learning progress, and competency will be fairly represented in your course grade, as to be shown in the course requirements below

Course Texts

There is no specific text for this class. Instead, students will receive reports and news articles continuously from newspapers, magazines, news websites. In addition, they will be provided with web links to view some visual materials that is closely related to the issue of interest.

Course Prerequisites

Requires this course from students to see a large number of words and terms and compositions press and media related to subjects, such as politics, economy, diplomacy and international relations, wars and conflicts, political parties and regimes in the world.

Add to know the names of the officials in a number of countries in the world, and a number of international institutions, as well as recipes and names of officials and related jobs.

It is essential that students are familiar with the media and tools as knowledge of the names of Arab newspapers and magazines and Arab satellite channels, and international news agencies and Arabic

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.
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Assessment and Final Grade

List three or more methods of assessment in addition to attendance and participation, indicating the percent of final grade below totaling 100%:

Requirement	Percentage
- Homework	10%
- Mid-term exam	20%
- Presentations	15%
- Participation	10%
- Final exam	30%
- Term's project	15%
- Total	100

Course Requirement

Weekly Schedule

التاريخ	المادة	ملاحظات
الأسبوع الأول	التعارف الصحافة والإعلام العربي - الصحافة والإعلام الأردني - مصادر المعلومات - وكالات الأنباء العربية والدولية الانتخابات في الأردن	محاضرة + نقاش
الأسبوع الثاني	أخبار سوريا	فيديو من التلفزيون
الأسبوع الثالث	أخبار الأردن - سياسياً - اقتصادياً - العلاقات الخارجية الصحافة الأردنية	نص صحفي + تقرير تلفزيوني شراء صحف أردنية تقديم من الطلبة
الأسبوع الرابع	أخبار العالم (أوكرانيا - روسيا - تركيا - باكستان - إيران - اليمن - المغرب العربي - ...) مقالات عن البيئة (إعادة التدوير)	نص صحفي تقارير تلفزيونية أخبار تقديم من الطلبة
الأسبوع الخامس	أخبار الشرق الأوسط (الربيع العربي) تقديمات	تقرير صحفي + تلفزيوني تقديم من الطلبة
الأسبوع السادس	امتحان منتصف الفصل	أخبار تقديم من الطلبة
الأسبوع السابع	عطلة الربيع Spring Break	--
الأسبوع الثامن	مصر - الانقلاب العسكري - الحكومة والإخوان المسلمون - العلاقات الخارجية	أخبار وتقارير تقديم من الطلبة
الأسبوع التاسع	فيديوهات وثائقية (اليمن ، الأردن)	تقديم من الطلبة
الأسبوع العاشر	الاقتصاد - الأزمة المالية العالمية	نص + تقرير
الأسبوع الحادي عشر	تقديمات الطلاب	عروض بور بويونت
الأسبوع الثاني عشر	أخبار الطقس أخبار رياضية	نص + تقرير
الأسبوع الثالث عشر	قضايا دولية: حقوق الإنسان	نص + تقرير
الأسبوع الرابع عشر	عرض البحث	--
الأسبوع الخامس عشر	الامتحان النهائي	

Readings

This material always be up-to-date, because it depends on the news of the new political events and economic Jordanian, Arab and international, and because of that there is no book or a specific reference, but there will be texts and news variety of several media (press, radio and satellite channels), and students can follow this news from various media, whether Arab or foreign, such as Jordanian newspapers – Al-Ra’i, Al-Dostoor, Al-Gad, and Al-Sabeel, and Arab newspapers - Al-Ahram, Al-Hayat, and Al-Quds Al-Arabi, satellite TV: Al Jazeera, BBC, Al-Arabia, CNN.

Attendance and Class Participation

Final Comments:

- ❖ Your active engagement and investment in learning is extremely important. You need to practice, read, listen, write, and speak in Arabic outside class time. You are learning a new language, which is no easy task at all! Hence, good proportion of your time should be dedicated to this endeavor (Practice makes perfect, right!). You could for example form conversation groups with classmates whereby you can speak in Arabic or engage in conversations with native speakers. You must also make sure to see the Program TAs several times throughout the semester, and I will check with them to see if you are making use of their time and assistance.
- ❖ PLEASE always remember that I am here to help you, and my job is to make sure that you achieve a good grasp of the course content. However, I cannot achieve that end without your assistance. Please feel free to ask about anything you need in and outside the class and feel free to share your concerns with me. DO NOT wait until it is too late to deal with a problem. Act on the spot and let me know so that I can assist you promptly.
- ❖ As your input is extremely important, a midterm evaluation of the course will be done, and your honest feedback for improvement and suggestions would be most welcomed and appreciated. However, your suggestions for the course would be most welcome right from the beginning of the course.
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Expectations

- ❖ **Homework:** Homework is due in class on the date noted on the weekly plan schedule and should be handed into the folder on my desk at the start of each period. And it will take 10% from the student’s marks.

- ❖ Students are expected to keep all handouts and organize them so that they can use them again in the future.
- ❖ **Attendance:** Every missed class will lower your grade significantly. -2 marks from your final marks for unexcused absent.
- ❖ **Tardiness:** if you are tardy ten or more minutes, your tardiness will reflect on your participation grade!
- ❖ **Class participation:**
 - Students should come to class each day well prepared, fully alert and ready to take an active role throughout the day's sessions.
 - In-class activities for both the vocabulary and grammar sections will assume students' familiarity with the material and will build upon what students have already acquired through their own diligent preparation the nights before. As a result, students who do not devote sufficient time to the vocabulary and grammar exercises ahead of time will find themselves at a serious disadvantage during class
 - Your class participation will be graded DAILY with a numerical value, which will be analyzed at the end of the semester.
- ❖ **Quizzes/Tests:** There will be a **test after every unit**. In addition, there will be a number of **minor** quizzes.
- ❖ **Oral presentations:** The students will be engaged in numerous communicative **activities**, which include frequent class presentations. Some of these activities will be graded (e.g. will be asked to skits/plays, oral presentation, etc). There will be specific assignments that will be graded.