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CIEE in Amman, Jordan

Course name:	Summer Intensive Modern Standard Arabic, Beginning I
Course number:	ARAB 1501 AMJO
Programs offering course:	Summer Arabic Language
Language of instruction:	Arabic
U.S. Semester Credits:	7
Contact Hours:	105
Term:	Summer 2019

Course Description

This course is designed for students with no or minimal knowledge of Modern Standard Arabic. The course begins with an introduction to the sounds and script of the language using the text Alif-Baa. Following the introduction to sounds and script, the course uses Al-Kitaab Part One 3rd Edition up to chapter 6 as its major textbook. Students will be exposed to authentic reading materials, learn to speak at the survival level, give oral presentations, and prepare short written assignment

Learning Objectives

Grammar:

Students should be able to:

1. Form (conjugate) past tense verbs with pronouns (Adding pronouns to verbs)
2. Form present tense verbs with pronouns.
3. Differentiate between Addition and Adjectives.
4. Add pronouns and prepositions to nouns (connected pronouns).
5. Distinguish connected pronouns and separate pronouns and use them correctly.
6. Recognize question words and use them.
7. Recognize the noun and the adjective and match them in terms of definiteness, feminine and masculine, singular, dual and plural.
8. Recognize the verb and the gerund and use them correctly.
9. Use (why) and answer it correctly(because, because of)
10. Use the comparative and superlative.
11. Use object pronouns

Vocabulary and Structure:

Students should be able to:

1. Recognize and learn the meaning of the vocabulary in the reading text.
2. Use the new vocabulary in meaningful sentences,
3. Fill in blank spaces with a suitable word from the vocabulary.
4. Read the reading texts and answer comprehension question with their own vocabulary using inference and the dictionary.
5. Practice reading aloud short texts.

Speaking:



Students should be able to:

1. Speak about family and relatives.
2. Speak about school –university, college and major.
3. Speak about hobbies and interests: reading, swimming, dancing, etc.
4. Describe colors.
5. Describe physical appearance.
6. Use time expressions (days of the week, tomorrow, yesterday.... etc.
7. Describe the weather and four seasons.
8. use different types of numbers: cardinal, ordinal ...
9. Tell the time.
10. Talk about food and drink and meals.
11. Use adverbs of time and place and frequency.
12. Use quantifiers.
13. Describe directions.
14. Talk about jobs and professions.
15. Tell the address of residence and university.
16. Use names of Arab countries and cities.
17. Ask daily (authentic) questions.

Writing

Students should be able to:

1. Write sentences using vocabulary from the text.
2. Write questions for given answers.
3. Translate sentences from English into Arabic.
4. Write about a paragraph about themselves and their families.
5. Write about their home towns and the climate there.

Listening

Students should be able to

1. Listen to passages from "Alkitab" and answer the comprehension questions.
2. Listen to a variety of listening materials and answer comprehension questions on them

Course Prerequisites

There are no prerequisites for this course.

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



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Assessment and Final Grade

1. Homework:	15%
2. Quizzes:	20%
3. Chapter Tests:	35%
4. Final Exam:	20%
5. Class Participation:	10%

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.

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.

Chapter Tests

There will be a test after every unit to test student's knowledge of vocabulary and grammar from that particular unit. While unit tests focus on particular units they will build upon previous material covered in the course.

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.

Attendance and 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. 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.



Weekly Schedule

You will have your weekly schedule every week and this is a view of what you will cover this semester

Week 1 Orientation and Introduction

Week 2

Unit one: Arabic Alphabet and greetings
Unit two: Alif, baa, taa, thaa, uu, ii
Long vowels and short vowels
Unit three: jiim/giim, Haa, khaa, sukuun, waaw, yaa
Exercise 1-5 & Listening
Dictation practice
Further vocab activation of vocabulary in Units 1, 2 & 3.
Exercise: Drills 1-9
Unit Four: hamza, daal, dhaal, raa, zaay
Exercise: Drill 15 in Unit 3.
Numbers
In-class practice using Arabic numerals
Vocab: good-bye & I want

Week 3

Quizz
Unit five: Shadda, siin, shin, Saad, Daad
Unit six: taa marbuuTa, Taa, DHaa, ayn, ghayn
Vocab
Reading aloud drills
Exercise: Drill of unit 6
Unit seven: faa, qaaf, kaaf, laam, laam alif
Reading aloud drills 5,17
Vocabulary
Exercise: drills and listening
Unit 8: miim, nuun, haa, more about hamza
Exercise: drill 1-9 & listening
Unit nine: the definite article
Vocab
Patterns and roots
Reading aloud drill 5
Exercise: 2, 3, 6 & 7 & listening

Week 4

Quiz
Unit ten: alif maqSuura, alif qaSiira, Tanwiin
Reading aloud
Handwriting and calligraphy
Exercise: worksheet



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Review of the book "Alif Baa"
Al-Kitab Unit 1: I am Maha
Vocab, exercise 3 & 4
Grammar: Masculine & feminine
Exercise: hand in the sentences for another 8 words of Drill 1
Listening exercise
Subject pronouns
Asking questions
The definite article
Exercise 13 & 16
Exercise: 5, 6 & listening
Reading pp. 16 & 17
Conjugate verbs
Worksheet
Chapter test
Vocabulary, exercise 3
Possessive pronouns
Listening exercise & worksheet

Week 5

Alkitab Unit 2
Reading
Oral presentation
Grammar: plural
Vocab
Quiz
Exercise 5
Listening
Quiz
Grammar: Human plurals, Nonhuman plural Agreement
Reading: exercise 10
Listening: exercise 11
Exercise 15
Worksheet
Review
Chapter test
AlKitab Unit 3
Vocab
Practice: speaking about the family
Exercise: 2, 3, 5
Reading; exercise 7
Grammar
Reading aloud
Listening
Exercise: possessive nouns



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Week 6	Exam Exercise: 20, reading aloud Presentation about yourself and your family AlKitab Unit 4 Vocab Exercise: 1, 2, 3, 7, 8 Exercise: 4 & 5 Watch on TV Bab Ahara Grammar: verb and root Exercise 13 Object pronouns Exercise 14 Exercise and listening: 10, 11, 13, 15 Grammar: sentences; nouns and verbs Exercise 18, 23 Worksheet Exercise: 16, 17, 19, 22 Review
Week 7	Chapter test AlKitab Unit 5 Vocab Exercise 4 Grammar Exercise 1, 2, 5, 7, 8, 9 Exercise 11 Conjugate verbs Grammar Exercise: 18, 19 Reading exercise: 20 Listening Exercise: 12, 13, 15, 16, 23 Review exercises Reading exercise: 24
Week 8	Review and final exam

Readings

Brustad, K., Al-Batal, M., & Al-Tonsi, A. *Al-kitaab fii ta'allum al-'arabiyya* (Part 1 3rd Edition Washington, D. C.: Georgetown University Press. (Required)

Cowan, J. M. (Ed.). (1994). *Arabic-English dictionary: The Hans Wehr dictionary of modern Written Arabic* (4th Ed.). Urbana, IL: Spoken Language Services. (Recommended)