

ARABIC (ARAB)

ARAB 1411. Elementary Arabic I. 4 Hours.

Students with no previous instruction in Arabic discuss and drill Arabic alphabet, pronunciation, vocabulary and basic language codes, stressing an oral approach to the language with emphasis on conversation and oral drill.

ARAB 1412. Elementary Arabic II. 4 Hours.

A continuation of ARAB 1411. Students discuss and drill language codes with more complexity, stressing aural and oral skills.

Prerequisite: Grade of C or better in ARAB 1411 or equivalent.

ARAB 2311. Intermediate Arabic I. 3 Hours.

A continuation of ARAB 1412. Students add more complex structures as a basis for reading and aural comprehension as well as for oral communication.

Prerequisite: Grade of C or better in ARAB 1411 and ARAB 1412 or equivalent.

ARAB 2312. Intermediate Arabic II. 3 Hours.

A continuation of ARAB 2311. Students focus on practical needs for communication, including short cultural reading passages and more complex grammar, with particular emphasis on roots of Arabic words.

Prerequisite: Grade of C or better in ARAB 1411, ARAB 1412, and ARAB 2311 or equivalent.

ARAB 3380. The Contemporary Arab World. 3 Hours.

Students focus on additional skill development in listening, speaking, reading and writing, and cultural knowledge with insights and perspective via the viewpoint and linguistic expression of the native Arabic speaker. Students describe the linguistic and cultural ramifications of historical, political, social and economic situations in Arab countries with some comparison among Arabic countries. Topics may include gender issues, progress and reforms, the rise of fundamentalisms and the Arab-Israeli conflict. Arabic is the language of instruction.

ARAB 4075. Individual Readings in Arabic. 1-3 Hours.

Advanced students engage in an independent study of an area of interest in Arabic Studies. Variable Credit (1 to 3).

Prerequisite: Consent of instructor and department chair.

ARAB 4370. Smnr Sel Tpcs in Arabic Cultur. 3 Hours.

Students conduct an in-depth study of a selected topic. The topic to be explored will change from year to year. This course may be repeated for credit as the content varies.

Prerequisite: Advanced standing in Arabic or consent of instructor.