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ARAB 103 Elementary Arabic I (4)

An introduction to fundamentals of the language. After learning the Arabic alphabet and corresponding sounds, students establish basic communication skills in reading, writing, speaking, and listening. Emphasis is on both Standard Arabic and the Levantine dialect. Can fulfill the language requirement for international and global studies majors but does not count as one of the eight distributed electives needed for the major and does not fulfill the general education requirement for foreign language study.

ARAB 104 Elementary Arabic II (4)

A continuation of Arabic 103, this course gives students the tools for communication in the language. Students who complete the course should be able to speak, comprehend, write, and read the language with enough mastery for basic, everyday conversation and academic use. Emphasis is on Modern Standard Arabic and the Levantine dialect. Does not fulfill the general education requirement for foreign language study. *Prerequisite: ARAB 103 or placement.*

ARAB 203 Intermediate Arabic (4)

Intermediate Arabic is an intensive course in more advanced elements of Modern Standard Arabic, including speaking, writing, reading, and listening. Students enhance their conversational skills and develop more extensive knowledge of vocabulary and grammar. Four hours of class per week are required. *Prerequisite: ARAB 104 or placement.*

ARAB 204 Intermediate Arabic II (4)

This course builds on the skills in Modern Standard Arabic introduced in ARAB 203 by introducing new vocabulary, grammar, listening, reading, and writing. Using a variety of video and audio materials, including programming materials from Arabic television stations and websites like Al-Jazeera (Qatar), LBC (Lebanon), and UTR (Egypt), the course also engages a range of cultural materials, including the culturally significant habits, concepts, and attitudes in the daily life of diverse Arabic speakers; community and religious celebrations in the Middle East and North Africa; and the experiences of Arabs in America. *Prerequisite: ARAB 203 or placement.*