Short Syllabus

Course Title

Arabic for Beginners

Lecturer

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Semester

Year long course

Short Description

The course will introduce the student to Modern Standard Arabic (MSA) which is used by Arabic speakers around the world as a formal language, used for reading, writing and formal circumstances (for example: the News or varied formal settings).

The course aims to teach the basic grammar rules, providing a vocabulary which will allow the students to comprehend short texts dealing with daily life, media, literature, poetry, Quran and more.

The course's vision includes providing the student with the ability of oral expression in MSA and listening skills.

A variety of learning tools will be used- news sites, online encyclopedias, songs, films, speeches as well as a variety of written sources. In addition, the students will lead active conversation in the language according to the learning progress.

Final grade components

Minor assignments: **written and Oral Quizzes**- 18%

Midterm: **in class exam**- 15%

Final requirement: **in- class exam**- 55%

Participation, class assignments and attendance- 12%

Attendance

Attendance is mandatory. Students are permitted a maximum of three absences without penalty. Any additional absences will affect the final grade and may result in failure of the course.

Academic Conduct

Plagiarism is taken extremely seriously. Any instance of academic misconduct which includes: submitting someone else's work as your own; failure to accurately cite sources; taking words from another source without using quotation marks; submission of work for which you have previously received credit; working in a group for individual assignments; using unauthorized materials in an exam and sharing your work with other students, will result in failure of the assignment and will likely lead to further disciplinary measures.

Additional requirements

Please keep phones turned-off while in class.