

Arabic

ARABIC – ARABC

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Possible career opportunities

The study of Arabic can open up opportunities in communications, foreign trade and banking, transportation, government, the Foreign Service, tourism, library services, teaching, professional translating, journalism, and all levels of education, including university teaching. Most foreign language careers require more than two years of study.

ARABC-120 First Term Arabic

5 units SC

- 90 hours lecture per term

This is a beginning level language course in Modern Standard Arabic. The course will be proficiency based, covering all four language skills (speaking, listening, reading, and writing). Considerable emphasis will be placed on active use of the language both in class and in daily homework assignments. The course introduces students to the basic phonology and script of the Arabic alphabet, as well as aspects of the sociolinguistics of Arab culture. Students will practice writing the letters in sequence while developing comprehension skills. CSU, UC

ARABC-121 Second Term Arabic

5 units SC

- 90 hours lecture per term
- Prerequisite: ARABC-120 or two years of high school study or equivalent
- Note: Students may meet equivalency in a variety of ways. Students should seek assistance at Admissions and Records.

This is the second level language course in Modern Standard Arabic. This course is designed to build upon skills in reading and writing developed in ARABC-120. Students will gain increased vocabulary and a greater understanding of more complex grammatical structures. They will be able to approach prose, fiction, and non-fiction written in the language. Students will also increase their proficiency in Arabic script and sound system, widen their working vocabulary, learn key grammatical points, and practice conversation and dictation. Students deliver oral presentations and write academic papers in Arabic. A variety of Arabic texts covering many subjects of interest such as literature, classical writing, poetry, media reports, and news will be introduced. CSU, UC

ARABC-150 Topics in Arabic

.3-4 units SC

- Variable hours

A supplemental course in Arabic to provide a study of current concepts and problems in Arabic and related subdivisions. Specific topics will be announced in the schedule of classes. CSU

ARABC-299 Student Instructional Assistant

.5-3 units SC

- Variable hours
- Note: Applications must be approved through the Instruction Office. Students must be supervised by a DVC instructor.

Students work as instructional assistants, lab assistants and research assistants in this department. The instructional assistants function as group discussion leaders, meet and assist students with problems and projects, or help instructors by setting up laboratory or demonstration apparatus. Students may not assist in course sections in which they are currently enrolled. CSU