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| **American University of Ras Al Khaimah**  **Department of English**  **Course Syllabus** | | | | |
| **Course Title:** | **ARAB-101 : Beginner Level Arabic I** | **Course Code:** | | ARAB-101 |
| **Department:** | English | **Designation:** | |  |
| **Prerequisite(s):** | None | **Credit Hours** | | **3** |
| **Instructor:** | **Prof. Kamal Abdel-Malek** | **Instructor's Office:** | | **E-9** |
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| **Office Hours:** | Sun/Tue/Th.: 11:00 am – 12:30 pm | | | |
| **Time:** | **Mon/Wed**  **12:30 pm – 1:45 pm** | | **Class Room:** | **B-112** |
| **Course Description:** | The course provides an introduction to the basics of the Arabic language.  It aims to develop students’ communicative competence in spoken as well as written Arabic.  Intended to resonate with the experiences of non-native learners of Arabic in the UAE, the course’s linguistic content is situated within the contemporary culture of the region.  The course is intended to stand alone and not to serve as a prerequisite for any other university courses. | | | |
| **Textbook(s):** | * Al-Batal, et al. *Alif Baa: Introduction to Arabic Letters* *and Sounds* * Al-Batal, et al. *Al-Kitaab fii Ta’allum al-‘Arabiyya: A Textbook for Beginning Arabic,* Part One (2010) | | | |
| **Other Material:** | Online sources and handouts | | | |
| **Student Learning Outcomes:** | **Upon completion of the course, students will be able to**    **SLO 1:**  read and write all the letters of the Arabic alphabet  **SLO 2:** identify in writing and employ in speech common greetings    **SLO 3:** introduce themselves, friends, and family and talk about daily routine in their familiar social and academic environment  **SLO 4:** employ essential daily expressions in a variety of social situations using simple utterances in Modern Standard Arabic as well as colloquial Arabic. | | | |
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| **Class Schedule:** | Two class sessions each week | | | |
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| Grading Plan: | Midterm Exam (20 %)  Homework/Assignments (50 %)  **Final Exam** (30 %) | | | |
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**Weekly Topics/Readings/Assignments**

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| **Week** | **Topic Assignments/ Readings** | **SLO** |
| 1 | Introduction to the Arabic Language  Greetings  What is your name?  What is this? | 1 |
| 2 | B. Frangieh, *Arabic for Life*  Sounds and Letters of the Arabic Language  *Unit One,* The Arabic alphabet  Letters: ب ت ث  Long vowels: ا و ي  Short vowels الحركات  Sukun | 1 |
| 3 | Unit Two  د ذ  ر ز  ج ح خ | 2, 3, 4 |
| 4 | Unit Three  س ش  ف ق  ك ل | 2, 3, 4 |
| 5 | Unit Four  م ن  التنوين | 2, 3, 4 |
| 6 | Unit Five  ه  التاء المربوطة | 2, 3, 4 |
| 7 | Unit Six  ص ض  ط ظ  Emphatic letters: ص ض ط ظ | 2, 3, 4 |
| 8 | Unit Seven  Double consonants  الشدّة  الهمزة  المدّة  الالف المقصورة  همزة الوصل او الوصلة | 2, 3, 4 |
| 9 | Unit Eight  اداة التعريف  الحروف القمرية  الحروف الشمسية | 2, 3, 4 |
| 10 | Unit Nine  Arabic Script and Calligraphy  Printed Styles of Arabic Script  Handwriting Samples  Arabic Calligraphy  Reading Practice | 2, 3, 4 |
| 11 | *Al-Kitaab, Part One*  Lesson One | 2, 3, 4 |
| 12 | *Al-Kitaab, Part One*  Lesson Two | 2, 3, 4 |
| 13 | *Al-Kitaab, Part One*  Lesson Three | 2, 3, 4 |
| 14 | *Al-Kitaab, Part One*  Lesson Four | 2, 3, 4 |
| 15, 16 | Review  **Final Exam** |  |