
ELEMENTARY ARABIC II in Spring 2021 (AB5020)

Course Code	AB5020	Professor(s)	Fouad Mlih
Prerequisites	None	Office Number	N/A
Class Schedule	MR: 09:00-10:20 in SD-3 R: 10:35-11:55 in SD-3	Office Hours	By appointment
Credits	4	Email	fmlih@aup.edu
Semester	Spring 2021	Office Tel. Ext.	N/A

Course Description

This course is intended to allow students acquire the basic elements of spoken and written standard Arabic. They will learn how to read and write with Arabic characters and will get familiar with Arabic phonetic system. The course will help them deal with a completely different linguistic system and, as a result, a different cultural way of describing the world and expressing oneself. Consequently, they will be able to make comparisons with their own and personal linguistic and cultural system, and to re-examine it through a new contrastive approach. The level which constitutes the basis of the progression is the contemporary standard Arabic, from which students will be able, on the long term, to move to another register (local dialect : Egyptian, Middle-eastern, North-African...; classical Arabic; press Arabic...).

The material used in class, besides the textbook, is based upon oral registered dialogs and varied types of genuine documents (cards, newspapers, maps, etc.).

Course Learning Outcomes

Practice current conversations on learning and everyday life topics.

Go into Arabic grammar details : sentence structure rules, negation, double sentences, etc.

Comprehension of description texts and dialogs.

Production of dialogs and detailed narrated texts telling about personal experience.

Describing a situation seen during learning experience.

General Education

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The general education program at AUP consists of four requirements: Speaking the World, Modeling the World, Mapping the World, and Comparing Worlds Past and Present.

This course can be used to fulfill the [INDICATE THE REQUIREMENT(S) FULFILLED BY THE COURSE] requirement and as such has the following learning outcomes:

[INDICATE THE GENERAL EDUCATION LEARNING OUTCOMES]

Course Outline

Week 1 : al-Kitab unit 2 - the subjunctive tense conjugation

Week 2 : *kullo tamam* dialog 4 - The complex sentence (want to, love to)

Week 3 : *kullo tamam* dialog 5

Week 4 : *kullo tamam* dialog 6

Week 5 : al-Kitab unit 3 - The possessive sentence (nominal sentence)

Week 6 : *kullo tamam* dialog 7

Week 7 : *kullo tamam* dialog 8

Week 8 : al-Kitab unit 4

Week 9 : al-Kitab unit 4

Week 10 : *kullo tamam* dialog 9

Week 11 : *kullo tamam* dialog 10

Week 12 : al-Kitab unit 5

Week 13 : al-Kitab unit 5

Textbooks

Title	Author	Publisher	ISBN	Required
Al-Kitaab fii	Brustad, Al-Baal,	Georgetown Univ.	9781589017368	Yes

Ta'allum al- Arabiyya With
DVD's: Part One ;
A Textbook for
Beginning Arabic.,
3rd Student Ed.

Al-Tonsi Press

Attendance Policy

As language learning is a highly cumulative process, absences in class are not allowed. Students who miss more than 7 classes will be asked to withdraw from the course before the withdrawal date, after which, they will automatically receive an "F" as a final grade for the course. Even when excused, repeated absences hinder the learning process.

AUP ATTENDANCE POLICY:

Students studying at The American University of Paris are expected to attend ALL scheduled classes.

A maximum of four (4) *excused* absences per semester may be requested for all 4-credit courses. Two per semester per 1 or 2-credit course may be requested.

The French Department has its own attendance policy. Students are responsible for compliance.

Attendance at all exams is mandatory.

Student Affairs will *recommend* that a professor excuse an absence for the following reason only:

Involuntary absences due to illness or personal emergencies, upon presentation of documentary proof of

Religious and National Holidays:

Due to the large number of nationalities and faiths represented at the University, religious and national holidays (those on the academic schedule) will not be excused by Student Affairs.

Academic Affairs will excuse an absence for students' participation in study trips related to their courses

Lateness to course meetings:

If a student arrives at course meetings more than 10 minutes late without documentation for one of the above, they will be considered an *unexcused* absence.

All documentation must be submitted to the Office of Student Affairs within ONE WEEK following the first

IN ALL CASES OF MISSED COURSE MEETINGS, THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR COMMUNICATION WITH THE INSTRUCTOR AND FOR ARRANGING TO MAKE UP MISSED WORK RESTS SOLELY WITH THE STUDENT.

Whether an absence (excused or unexcused) is accepted or not is ALWAYS up to the discretion of the professor or the department. Unexcused absences can result in a low or failing participation grade. In the case of excessive unexcused absences, it is up to the professor or the department to decide if the student will receive an "F". An instructor may recommend the withdrawal of a student whose absences from any course, **excused or not**, make it impossible to continue in the course at a satisfactory level. The professor may consult with Student Affairs for more information.

Students must be mindful of this policy when making their travel arrangements, and **especially during Exam Periods.**

ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY STATEMENT: As an Anglophone university, The American University of Paris is strongly committed to effective English language mastery at the undergraduate level. Most courses require reading and formal written and oral presentations in English, and AUP students are expected to strive to achieve proficiency in English in all domains as part of their course work. To that end, professors include English proficiency among the criteria for course evaluation, often referring students to the university Writing Lab where they may obtain help on specific assignments. Proficiency in English is monitored at various points throughout the student's academic career, most notably during admissions and advising processes, while the student is completing general education requirements, and during the accomplishment of degree program courses and senior theses.

Grading Policy

The final grade is based upon :

- 25 % written tests, dictations and written assignments ;
- 25 % oral fluency, oral comprehension, vocabulary and class participation ;
- 25 % midterm test ;
- 25 % final exam.

The grade of "C" or above is required to be admitted in the upper level. An "F" will be given for any exam missed. There will be no make-up exams outside of officially excused absences.

Other
