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Université catholique de Louvain

## LGLOR2934 2012-2013 Special Issues in Arabic Grammar

5.0 credits	15.0 h	2q	This biannual
			course is taught on
			years 2010-2011,
			2012-2013,

Teacher(s) :	den Heijer Johannes ;
Language :	Français
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Inline resources:	/
Prerequisites :	Two years of Classical or Modern Standard Arabic ; knowledge of Arabic dialectology.
Main themes :	The target of this course is research on the grammar of Classical and spoken Arabic. It addresses three categories of scholarly works: - the traditional treatises by the Classical Arab grammarians as well as modern works inspired by them and written in Arabic or in European languages (Arabic textbooks, works by W. Wright, Sylvestre de Sacy, H. Fleisch, H. Reckendorf, and others); - comparative studies in which Classical Arabic and various dialects are compared (and sometimes other Semitic languages) with regard to a particular morphological or morpho-syntactic phenonmenon (such as W. Fischer's study on the interrogative pronoun or J. Retsö's study on the finite passive voice of the verb); - dialectological studies, both descriptive and historical (such as the works of W. Marçais, J. Grand'Henry and J. Lentin, and the language atlases by P. Behnstadt and M. Woidich). After a general introduction by the co-ordinating lecturer, sessions will consist of group discussions on one or more older or more recent study within the field in question. Occasionally, visiting lecturers will share practical aspects of their current research with the students.
Aims :	At the end of the course, the student should have acquired: - thorough familiarity with Classical Arabic grammar, particularly morphology and syntax ; - thorough familiarity with the morphology of Classical and spoken Arabic ; - knowledge of the main scholarly works on Arabic grammar and linguistics ; - the communication skills required to actively contribute to a discussion on a highly technical subject pertaining to Arabic linguistics. The contribution of this Teaching Unit to the development and command of the skills and learning outcomes of the programme(s) can be accessed at the end of this sheet, in the section entitled "Programmes/courses offering this Teaching Unit".
Evaluation methods :	Continuous assessment, based on regular participation in group discussions; exam on the course material and on reading assignments.
Teaching methods :	1
Content :	The target of this course is research on the grammar of Classical and spoken Arabic, particularly morphology and syntax. Sessions include group discussions on one or several older or more recent relevant studies. The course provides E-learning activities, with compulsory registration on the I-campus platform.
Bibliography :	
Other infos :	Support: printed texts, photocopies, documents presented in digital format, sound recordings. The course provides E-learning activities, with compulsory registration on the I-campus platform. Please note: while French is the language of instruction, other contact languages (Arabic, English, German) may be used occasionally as well, in the case of contributions by visiting lecturers from abroad.
Cycle and year of study :	<ul> <li>Master [60] in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Oriental Studies</li> <li>Master [120] in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Oriental Studies</li> </ul>
Faculty or entity in charge:	GLOR