

LARAB1102

2013-2014

Modern Arabic: elementary level II

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Teacher(s):	Hanjoul Pierre ;
Language :	Français
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Inline resources:	> http://icampus.uclouvain.be/
Prerequisites :	The LARAB 1100 course: Modern Arabic (elementary level I). This course is open exclusively to those who attend the LARAB1100 in the first semester of the same academic year, or who have passed the exam earlier. Grades obtained for LARAB1102 may be recognized only once the exam for LARAB1100 has been passed.
Main themes :	This course is a continued introduction to Literary, or Standard, Arabic in its modern variety, which is the language of the media and all official communication in the entire Arab world today. It aims at learning, using and analyzing forms of address and simple messages pertaining to various situations in daily life. The course includes pronunciation drills and exercises in reading and writing. The course covers the following aspects of learning the Arabic language:
	continued training in the common and learned pronunciations
	active and passive use of the Arabic script
	acquisition of basic vocabulary that is easy to recognize and that can be applied in daily life.
Aims :	By the end of the course, the student should have acquired:
	sustained basic knowledge of Arabic grammar
	enlarged basic vocabulary in Standard Arabic, with a focus on modern daily life
	the skill to find simple Arabic words in an Arabic-French (or Arabic-English) dictionary
	the cognitive strategies needed to understand simple written texts and oral expressions in Modern Standard Arabic
	the skill to prepare simple written and oral messages pertaining to daily life, and to recognize the structure of such messages. 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 :	Indicative continuous assessment based on systematic questioning in class
	Combined individual exam (oral and written), after the end of the course. The exams for LARAB1100 and LARAB1102 may be taken simultaneously
	The grade obtained for LARAB1102 may be recognized only once the exam for LARAB1100 has been passed
	Once these two exams have been passed, the student enrolled at the ILV for these courses may apply for the elementary level certificate of Arabic of the ILV.
Teaching methods :	The course includes classroom instruction sustained by the iCampus virtual teaching environment. It requires active involvement, with written exercises to be prepared for each class, as well as both written and oral exercises carried out in class.
Content :	This course is a continued introduction to Literary, or Standard Arabic in its modern variety, which is the language of the media and all official communication in the entire Arab world today. It emphasizes continued acquisition of immediately applicable basic vocabulary, as well as the main mechanisms of the language, through the study of morphology and syntax. This entire process provides the first step towards a proficiency level that compares to level A1 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages. Note: The Arabic language has a range of characteristics that make its acquisition notoriously hard for French-speaking beginners. It has a set of consonants unknown to us, a distinct right-to-left script, and a complex grammar with declensions, with stronger gender marking than in French, and with a system of number distinction that goes beyond our mere distinction between singular

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	and plural. Additionally, Arabic vocabulary shares few elements with French or other languages usually known to students. Thus, it is difficult, at least with respect to the first year, to apply the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages to the Arabic language acquisition.
Bibliography :	Printed texts, photocopies, documents presented in digital format, sound recordings Registration on the iCampus platform is compulsory Textbook: Luc-Willy DEHEUVELS, Manuel d'arabe moderne, volume 1, Paris : Langues et mondes/ L'Asiathèque, 2011 (ISBN 978-2-915255-77-5).
Cycle and year of study:	 Preparotory year for Master in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Oriental Studies Bachelor in Ancient and Modern Languages and Literatures Bachelor in Information and Communication Bachelor in Philosophy Bachelor in Pharmacy Bachelor in Ancient languages and Literatures: Classics Bachelor in Modern Languages and Literatures: German, Dutch and English Bachelor in French and Romance Languages and Literatures: General Bachelor in Economics and Management Bachelor in Motor skills: General Bachelor in Human and Social Sciences Bachelor in Modern Languages and Literatures: General Bachelor in Sociology and Anthropology Bachelor in Political Sciences: General Bachelor in History of Art and Archaeology: General Bachelor in History Bachelor in Biomedicine Bachelor in Religious Studies Bachelor in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Oriental Studies
Faculty or entity in charge:	ILV