UCL Université catholique de Louvain

LARAB1303

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Maghribi colloquial Arabic

6.0 credits	30.0 h	1 ou 2q

Teacher(s) :	Adrioueche Ahmed ;
Language :	Arabe
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Inline resources:	> http://moodleucl.uclouvain.be/login/index.php
Prerequisites :	The LARAB1100 course: Modern Arabic Elementary Level I, or diploma/ training recognized as equivalent. The learning outcomes of the LARAB1303 course help prepare the student for the advanced course in Modern Arabic (LARAB2500), as well as for the courses in Middle Arabic and Mixed Varieties of Arabic (LGLOR2721 - LGLOR2722). *The prerequisite(s) for this Teaching Unit (Unité d'enseignement – UE) for the programmes/courses that offer this Teaching Unit are specified at the end of this sheet.*
Main themes :	This is an intermediate course (UE) in colloquial Arabic in its Maghribi variety. It aims at the understanding and grammatical analysis of texts and oral expressions in Moroccan Arabic, on a variety of topics (cultural, literary, political, religious, pertaining to daily life). The basic training focuses on urban Moroccan Arabic, and the other varieties will be dealt with in a comparative framework. The course covers the following aspects of learning the Arabic language: -- pronunciation drills aiming at authenticity; -- passive knowledge of unvocalized Arabic script as generally used for writing colloquial Arabic; -- passive knowledge of transcription systems used in scholarly literature for writing colloquial Arabic; -- acquisition of a basic vocabulary, characteristic of modern daily life in its multiple aspects.
Aims :	By the end of the course, the student should be able: -- to master the basic grammar of Maghribi colloquial Arabic -- to use an enlarged basic vocabulary in Maghribi colloquial Arabic, with a focus on modern daily life -- to find relatively complex Arabic words in a specialised Arabic-French (or Arabic-English) dictionary -- to prepare and to use relatively complex oral messages pertaining to daily life, and to recognize the structure of such messages -- to use the cognitive strategies needed to independently understand complex texts and expressions in Maghribi colloquial Arabic. *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 of quality of participation in class. -- Oral exam on the course materials at the end of the academic year.
Teaching methods :	This course includes classroom instruction sustained by the Moodle virtual teaching environment. It requires active involvement, with written exercises to be prepared for each class, as well as both written and oral exercises to be carried out in class.
Content :	This is an intermediate course in colloquial Arabic in its Maghribi variety. It emphasizes the acquisition of immediately applicable substantial basic vocabulary, as well as the main mechanisms of the language, through the study of morphology and syntax. This entire process should result in a proficiency level that compares to levels A2 (for the active aspects) and B1 (for passive aspects) of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages. Note: The Arabic dialects have a range of characteristics that make their acquisition notoriously hard for French-speaking beginners. They have a set of consonants unknown to us, a distinct right-to-left script, and a complex grammar. Additionally, Arabic vocabulary shares few elements with French or other languages usually known to students. Thus, it is difficult to apply the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages to the acquisition of Arabic dialects.
Bibliography :	-- Printed texts, photocopies, documents presented in digital format, sound recordings. -- The course provides e-learning activities, with compulsory registration on the Moodle platform.

Other infos :	While French is the language of instruction, Arabic will be used to a certain extent, particularly for conversation drills.
Faculty or entity in charge:	ILV

Programmes / formations proposant cette unité d'enseignement (UE)

Intitulé du programme	Sigle	Credits	Prerequis	Acquis d'apprentissage
Bachelor in Ancient Languages and Letters: Oriental Studies	HORI1BA	6	LARAB1102 **or** LGLOR1661 **or** LGLOR1662	
Master [120] in Ancient Languages and Letters: Oriental Studies	HORI2M	6	-	
Master [60] in Ancient Languages and Letters : Oriental Studies	HORI2M1	6	-	
Minor in Arabic language and Islamic civilization	LISLA100I	6	-	