

University of Memphis
Department of Foreign Languages and Literature
ARAB 2020: Intermediate Arabic II
Spring 2018
MW 7:10 pm– 8:30 pm.
Room: JH 249

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Textbook: Ahlan Wa Sahlan: Functional Modern Standard Arabic for Beginners by Mahdi Alish. Published by Yale University Press; 2nd edition.

Course Description:

Students are expected to acquire full competency in the Arabic Language. More verb patterns (Awzan) and word derivations. Focus is on language structure, format of developing vocabulary from verbs, covering different derivations, and language patterns. Lead to learning the use of Arabic dictionary in depth. As in ARAB 2010, students will be asked to give short informal presentations on a subject of their choice (as long as it has to do with the Arabic culture). **I will stress reading, writing, speaking, composition and translation for this semester**

Course Objective:

Students are expected to be able fully competent in the classical Arabic and be able to engage in daily discussions (ex. Sports, movies, politics, etc...). In addition students are expected to give a 15 minutes presentation at the end of the semester which will count as one exam

Grades:

The grade will be assessed through two or three in-class (J.H. Room 249) exams and a presentation along with a final exam. I will also give in-class dictations on material that we read. Dictations will be counted as quizzes. In class exams and presentation will be worth 30% of the total grade, comprehensive final exam is worth 30% of the total grade, 10% of the total grade comes from homework and quizzes. Class participation, which includes the presentation, will be worth 30% of the total grade. Letter grades will follow the U of M grading scale. Make up exams can be administrated with a valid excuse for missing the class exam. No MAKE UP will be given for the FINAL EXAM.

Attendance: I will follow the U of M attendance policy.

Other Instructions: Tape recorder is highly encouraged.

Cell phone usage is not allowed in class

Tentative Schedule

Week of:	Subject:
Jan 17	Reviews
Jan 22- 24	Chapter 17
Jan 29 -31	Chapter 18
Feb 5-7	Chapter 19
Feb 12	EXAM 1 Chapters 17-19
Feb 14 & 19	Chapter 20
Feb 21 & 26	Chapters 20 & 21
Feb 28th	Chapter 21
Spring Break, March 5-11	
March 12	Exam 2: Chapters 20-21
March 14	Chapter 22
March 19-21	Chapters 22 & 23
March 26- 28	Chapter 23
April 2-4	Exam 3: Chapters 22-23
April 9-11	Chapter 24
April 16	Presentations
April 18 & 23	Presentations
APRIL 25 STUDY DAY	
Comprehensive Final Exam; Monday, May 1st, 7:00 - 9:00p All Final Exams are Held in the Same Classroom	
Students are encouraged to go over the academic calendar for more relevant dates	