

Northwest Arkansas Community College
Division of International Languages

Course Number and Title

ARAB 1003, Elementary Arabic I

Catalog Description

Introductory course in understanding, speaking, reading, and writing standard Arabic. A significant amount of time will be spent learning the alphabet and Arabic script.

Prerequisites

None.

Credit hours/Contact hours/Load hours

3 hours credit

Target Audience/Transferability

Elementary Arabic I is the first semester of college-level academic Arabic courses offered at NWACC that lead to competency in the Arabic language and that transfer to fulfill most four-year universities' foreign language requirements for a Bachelor of Arts Degree.

Student Learning Outcomes

Students will:

Listening

- comprehend utterances and short conversations about most survival needs and limited social demands
- understand common time forms and most question forms, as well as common word order patterns

Speaking

- read basic phrases with correct pronunciation
- articulate minimum courtesy requirements such as introduction and identification of self, rudimentary biographical information; formulate and respond to simple questions; maintain basic face-to-face conversations.

Reading

- recognize the characters of the Modern Standard Arabic alphabet
- demonstrate ability to read simple written material
- read basic phrases with correct pronunciation

Culture

- demonstrate knowledge of social, political, and cultural worlds of Arabic-speaking countries

Topics

Vocabulary

Grammar

Forms of assessment

Classroom participation exhibiting competency in both speaking and listening

Written quizzes

Classroom presentations