

**Johns Hopkins University
Language Teaching Center
Advanced Arabic Syllabus-Fall 2009**

Course Title: Advanced Arabic I- 375.301
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Course Description:

This course is designed to consolidate and reinforce all what the students have learned in the last two years. It will enrich the students' vocabulary repertoire by introducing hundreds of new vocabulary. It will also enhance the students' listening skills by providing a lot of materials on the DVD. Additionally, it will maximize the students' ability to read and analyze long stories and texts and write long essays.

Course Objectives:

Upon the completion of this course, the students are expected to:

1. Learn around five hundreds new words.
2. Communicate in Arabic most of the time in class.
3. Read and understand long articles and texts with the help of a dictionary.
4. Write long and short essays about events related to one's life or about information provided in the texts of the book.
5. Understand and apply advanced points of grammar and linguistics introduced throughout the book.
6. Expand on one's knowledge about the Arabic and Islamic culture and thought.

Required Books:

- 1- **الكتاب في تعلم العربية** Volume II, 2nd Edition, by Al-Batal et al.
- 2- Hans Weir, **A Dictionary of Modern Written Arabic**, edited by J. Milton Cowan.

Evaluation Criterion: Students' grades will be based on:

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| 1. Attendance and class participation | 20 % |
| 2. Homework assignments | 20 % |
| 3. Presentations | 20 % |
| 4. Periodical oral and written Tests | 40 % |

Important Notes:

In order to fully achieve the stated course objectives and earn you should commit yourself to the following:

1. Attend all classes and maximize your participation in all class activities.
2. Prepare yourself for each class, particularly when you have new lesson.
3. Turn in homework on time.
4. Do all the drills designated as (**في البيت**) (i.e. At Home)
5. Listen to all the materials on the DVD in a timely manner.
6. Sit for all exams on time! Making up exams will not be initiated without a strong valid and accepted reason at the discretion of the instructor.

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Week-by-Week Course Instruction

Week 1 (September 2)

Wednesday Session:

- Introduction
- Reviewing lessons 1-3.

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Week 2 (September 7 & 9)

Monday Session:

- No class. Labor day

Wednesday Session:

- Studying the vocabulary of lesson 4.
- Reading the text, on page 117

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Week 3 (September 14 & 16)

Monday Session:

- Answering the questions of drill 13, page 116
- Working on drills 1-10 of lesson 4.

Wednesday Session:

- Explaining the grammatical points on pages 119-126.

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Week 4 (September 21 & 23)

Monday Session:

- Working on drills 9-12 of lesson 4.

Wednesday Session:

- Quiz on lesson 4.
- Studying the vocabulary of lesson 5.

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Week 5 (October 28 & 30)

Monday Session:

- Reading the text on page 149 and answering the questions on page 148.

Wednesday Session:

- Working on drills 1-5 and drill 12 of lesson 5.

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Week 6 (October 5 & 7)

Monday Session:

- Working on drills 8-10 on pages 145-147.

Wednesday Session:

- Explaining the grammatical points on pages 152-159.

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Week 7 (October 12 & 14)

Monday Session:

- Quiz on lesson 5.
- Reading and discussing the article on page 162.

Wednesday Session:

- Studying the vocabulary of lesson 6.
- Reading the text on page 184

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Week 8 (October 19 & 21)

Monday Session:

- Answering the questions of drill 16 on page 183.
- Working on drills 1-6 of lesson 6.

Wednesday Session:

- Explaining the grammatical points on pages 187-195.

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Week 9 (October 26 & 28)

Monday Session:

- Working on drills 7-16 of lesson 6.
- Working on drills 14 & 16.

Wednesday Session:

- Quiz on lesson 6.
- Studying the vocabulary of lesson 7.

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Week 10 (November 2 & 4)

Monday Session:

- Reading the text on page 217.
- Answering the questions of drill 12 on page 216.

Wednesday Session:

- Working on drills 1-9 of lesson 7.

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Week 11 (November 9 & 11)

Monday Session:

- Reading the text on page 219.
- Answering the questions of drill13 on page 218

Wednesday Session:

- Studying the grammatical point on pages 220- 225.

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Week 12 (November 16 & 18)

Monday Session:

- Reading the article on page 227.

Wednesday Session:

- Discussing the article on page 227.
- Working on drill 21 on page 226.

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Week 13 (November 23 & 25)

Monday Session:

- Quiz on lesson 7.

Wednesday Session:

- No Class. Thanksgiving Holiday

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Week 14 (November 30 & December 2)

Monday Session:

- Studying the vocabulary of lesson 8.
- Working on drills 1-6.

Wednesday Session:

- Reading the text on page 248.
- Answering the questions of drill 14 on page 247.

Week 15 (December 7 & 9)

Monday Session:

- Reading Quiz

Wednesday Session:

- Presentations