



Intensive Arabic Summer Programme

Monday 18 June – Thursday 12 July 2018

Course description

This intensive course aims to develop students' basic knowledge of Modern Standard Arabic (MSA) and Egyptian Colloquial Arabic (ECA). Through an integrated method approach, students will learn how to read and write using the Arabic alphabet and how to conduct short conversations with native speakers in Egypt. Grammar and vocabulary acquisition is also an essential part of this course.

The course focuses on the four language skills (reading, writing, speaking and listening), and is based on a communicative approach where communication between instructor-students and students-students is the main tool of teaching. Arabic texts are used in class activities and for homework as well. The course makes use of peer-work and games in the classroom in order to enhance communication. .

Course outcomes

By the end of this course, students will be able to:

- Identify and actively use the Arabic alphabet.
- Be familiar with the differences in sounds and basic structures between MSA and ECA.
- Produce and comprehend accurately the basic structure of Arabic such as the verbal and nominal sentence.
- Read names, street signs, and simple texts.
- Use ECA to conduct short conversation with native speakers.
- Demonstrate a general/some understanding of Arab culture in general and Egyptian culture in particular.

Course material

Kristen Brustad et. Al. (2011). *Al-Kitaab fii Ta'allum al-'Arabiyya: A Textbook for Beginning Arabic*. Georgetown University Press. 3rd Edition

The instructors

NVIC's language instructors, all native speakers, are formally trained to teach Arabic to non-native speakers, and have a long-standing experience in teaching Arabic (including Egyptian Colloquial Arabic) to undergraduate and graduate university students. Our teachers pride themselves in being up to date on the latest theoretical insights in language teaching, ensuring the efficiency of our teaching methods.

Target group

This course targets absolute beginners of Arabic.



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Excursions

NVIC organizes three excursions for participants of this course. These excursions are included in the course fee.

NVIC

The Netherlands-Flemish Institute in Cairo is an academic institute located on the safe and cosmopolitan island of Zamalek in the heart of Egypt's bustling capital, ensuring a maximal immersion into an Arabic-speaking environment. It is one of five Dutch Scientific Institutes Abroad (NWIB) and is supported by the Research Fund–Flanders (FWO-Vlaanderen). NVIC provides services to students and researchers of six Dutch and two Flemish universities. It fosters international research in Arabic and Islamic Studies, Egyptology and Archaeology, and Middle East Studies, and for over forty years now, offers undergraduate and graduate programs in the same fields.

Practical Information

The Intensive Beginner's Course is held from 18 June to 12 July 2018. You will have 4 hours of classes each working day (Sunday through Thursday). All classes take place in the institute's up-to-standard facilities, and participants are welcome to use the institute's in-house library as a place to study.

The course has a work load of 5 ECTS credits. Please consult your own institution if you want to validate these.

NVIC has a few guest rooms that it will make available to participants at affordable prices (on a first come first serve basis). Among our other services are assistance in finding housing in Cairo, airport transfers, and advice on your stay in Egypt.

Fees

The course fee is EUR 800, including course materials and three excursions.

Registration

The registration deadline is 1 June. A minimum of five and maximum of fifteen students are accepted.

For more information or to register, please visit <http://www.institutes.leiden.edu/nvic/> or email us at info@nvic.leidenuniv.nl.