

Arabic Language Acquisition: Media and Egyptian I (A005475)

Due to Covid 19, the education and evaluation methods may vary from the information displayed in the schedules and course details. Any changes will be communicated on Ufora.

Course size	<i>(nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)</i>		
Credits 8.0	Study time 240 h	Contact hrs	65.0 h

Course offerings in academic year 2023-2024

A (semester 1)	Arabic, Dutch	Gent
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Lecturers in academic year 2023-2024

Khouri, George	LW21	staff member
Termonia, Maya	LW21	staff member
Van Nieuwenhuysse, Stijn	LW21	staff member
Van Steenberghe, Jo	LW21	lecturer-in-charge

Offered in the following programmes in 2023-2024

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Bachelor of Arts in Oriental Languages and Cultures (main subject Arabic and Islamic Studies)	8	A
Bachelor of Arts in Oriental Languages and Cultures (main subject China (UGent Track))	8	A
Bachelor of Arts in Oriental Languages and Cultures (main subject India)	8	A
Bachelor of Arts in African Languages and Cultures	8	A
Exchange Programme Oriental Languages and Cultures	8	A

Teaching languages

Dutch, Arabic

Keywords

language acquisition (Arabic), Media Arabic, MSA (Modern Standard Arabic), Egyptian Arabic (EA)

Position of the course

This intermediate course is the continuation of Introduction to Arabic Language Acquisition II. The course meets the following learning outcomes: 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 4.2, 5.1, 5.2, 5.6

Contents

This course consists of two components: Media Arabic and Egyptian Arabic.

Initial competences

Introduction to Arabic Language Acquisition II

Final competences

- 1 Students know most frequent expressions and vocabularies from Media Arabic.
- 2 Students identify the structures of Arabic newspapers and news sites.
- 3 Students identify effectively the essence from a simple Arabic message, especially from simple news messages.
- 4 Students understand the main points in brief, simple and clear Arabic news messages and announcements.
- 5 Students identify specific information in simple and/or every day Arabic news messages.
- 6 Students participate, after preparation, in Egyptian Arabic conversations on familiar subjects or on subjects that relate to every day life, when his correspondent speaks slowly and

clearly.

7 Students write clear Arabic messages to communicate standard information.

Conditions for credit contract

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is unrestricted: the student takes into consideration the conditions mentioned in 'Starting Competences'

Conditions for exam contract

Access to this course unit via an exam contract is unrestricted

Teaching methods

Seminar, self-reliant study activities

Extra information on the teaching methods

Seminar + independent work (focus is on the acquisition of the four language skills)

Learning materials and price

- Ashtiany, J., *Media Arabic*, First Edition. Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press, 1993/2007. (€32)
- Kendall, E., *Media Arabic*, Second Edition. Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press, 2012. (€19)
- Louis, S., *Kallimni 'Arabi: an Intermediate Course in Spoken Egyptian Arabic*. Cairo: American University Cairo Press, 2007 (€36)

References

- Schulz, E., *A Student Grammar of Modern Standard Arabic*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2008
- Wehr, H., *Arabic-English Dictionary, Fourth Edition*.

Course content-related study coaching

tests, interactive teaching, Ufora, feedback

Evaluation methods

end-of-term evaluation and continuous assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic evaluation during the first examination period

Written examination, oral examination

Examination methods in case of periodic evaluation during the second examination period

Written examination, oral examination

Examination methods in case of permanent evaluation

Participation, skills test

Possibilities of retake in case of permanent evaluation

examination during the second examination period is possible in modified form

Extra information on the examination methods

Written and oral exam (organised separately for each component).

- Written exam = reading, writing MA (incl. voc.&grammar)
 - Oral exam = speaking EA (incl. voc.&grammar)
- Participation, skills test (organised separately for each component):
- active and consistent participation during classes (MA & EA)
 - assignments and tasks (listening MA & EA / vocabulary& grammar MA & EA)

Calculation of the examination mark

Media Arabic 50%

Egyptian Arabic 50%

Both components are subdivided according to skills into end-of-term evaluation and continuous assessment (active participation during classes, and tests and assignments).

Students who do not participate in (one of the skills-related parts of) the assessment, or have a mark below 10/20 for one of the skills-related parts (MA reading, MA writing, EA speaking, MA listening, EA listening, MA vocab&grammar, EA vocab&grammar), automatically fail the entire course. Final marks higher than 10/20 will, in this case, be reduced to the highest mark that does not qualify for automatic upgrade ('deliberation') (7/20).

A pass mark for one of the skills-related parts means that the assessment of that part does not need to be retaken in case of a resit (only!). Students are nevertheless entitled to decide to retake it.

Facilities for Working Students

1. Student attendance during educational activities is required
 2. The examination cannot be rescheduled
 3. Feedback can be given by email, telephone or during an appointment during office hours.
- For more information concerning flexible learning: contact the monitoring service of the faculty of Arts and philosophy