Université catholique de Louvain

Modern Arabic: elementary level II

6.0 credits

LARAB1102

2015-2016

30.0 h

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Teacher(s) :	Hanjoul Pierre ;				
Language :	Français				
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve				
Inline resources:	<u>> http://icampus.uclouvain.be/</u>				
Prerequisites :	The LARAB 1100 course: Modern Arabic (elementary level I), which may be followed in the same annual program. The student who has passed the exams LARAB1100 and LARAB1102 qualifies for the ILV elementary level certificate in Arabic language.				
Main themes :	This course is a continued introduction to Literary, or Standard, Arabic in its modern variety, which is the language of the media and all official communication in the entire Arab world today. It aims at learning, using and analyzing forms of address and simple messages pertaining to various situations in daily life. The course includes pronunciation drills and exercises in reading and writing. The course covers the following aspects of learning the Arabic language: continued training in the common and learned pronunciations				
	 active and passive use of the Arabic script				
	 acquisition of basic vocabulary that is easy to recognize and that can be applied in daily life.				
Aims :	By the end of the course, the student should have acquired:				
	sustained basic knowledge of Arabic grammar				
	enlarged basic vocabulary in Standard Arabic, with a focus on modern daily life				
	the skill to find simple Arabic words in an Arabic-French (or Arabic-English) dictionary				
	 the cognitive strategies needed to understand simple written texts and oral expressions in Modern Standard Arabic				
	the skill to prepare simple written and oral messages pertaining to daily life, and to recognize the structure of such messages. The contribution of this Teaching Unit to the development and command of the skills and learning outcomes of the programme(s) can be accessed at the end of this sheet, in the section entitled "Programmes/courses offering this Teaching Unit".				
Evaluation methods :	 Indicative continuous assessment based on systematic questioning in class				
	 Combined individual exam (oral and written), after the end of the course.				
Teaching methods :	The course includes classroom instruction sustained by the iCampus virtual teaching environment. It requires active involvement, with written exercises to be prepared for each class, as well as both written and oral exercises carried out in class.				
Content :	This course is a continued introduction to Literary, or Standard Arabic in its modern variety, which is the language of the me and all official communication in the entire Arab world today. It emphasizes continued acquisition of immediately applicable basic vocabulary, as well as the main mechanisms of the language through the study of morphology and syntax. This entire process provides the first step towards a proficiency level that compares to level A1 of the Common European Framew of Reference for Languages. Note: The Arabic language has a range of characteristics that make its acquisition notoriously hard for French-speaking beginned It has a set of consonants unknown to us, a distinct right-to-left script, and a complex grammar with declensions, with stron gender marking than in French, and with a system of number distinction that goes beyond our mere distinction between singu and plural. Additionally, Arabic vocabulary shares few elements with French or other languages usually known to students. Th it is difficult, at least with respect to the first year, to apply the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages to Arabic language acquisition.				

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Bibliography :	 Printed texts, photocopies, documents presented in digital format, sound recordings				
	 Registration on the iCampus platform is compulsory				
	 Textbook: Luc-Willy DEHEUVELS, Manuel d'arabe moderne, volume 1, Paris : Langues et mondes/ L'Asiathèque, 2011 (ISBN 978-2-915255-77-5).				
Faculty or entity in charge:	ILV				

Programmes / formations proposant cette unité d'enseignement (UE)						
Intitulé du programme	Sigle	Credits	Prerequis	Acquis d'apprentissage		
Bachelor in Ancient Languages and Letters: Oriental Studies	HORI1BA	7	-	٩		
Minor in Arabic language and Islamic civilization	LISLA100I	6	-	٩		