

## Amideast Education Abroad Programs

### ARAB 136: Jordanian Colloquial Arabic IB

**Credit Hours:** 3 credits

**Program Location:** Amman, Jordan

#### Course Description

This course is intended for participants who have no previous experience with Jordanian dialect and possess a beginning proficiency in Modern Standard Arabic. Participants are introduced to basic vocabulary, expressions, and grammar structures used frequently in the local environment. This course aims to help participants reach a level where they may navigate a limited number of uncomplicated communicative tasks in colloquial Arabic in straightforward social situations. Conversation in this course focuses on real life exchanges with members of the host country community on common topics key to basic functioning in the target language and culture. By the end of the course, participants are able to ask essential questions and understand the responses, express basic facts and opinions in simple sentences, and engage in simple conversations in colloquial Arabic with native speakers.

#### Learning Objectives

By the completion of the course, participants will be able to:

- Converse on fundamental and basic daily topics with native speakers
- Utilize almost all of the basic structures of colloquial Jordanian Arabic
- Ask essential questions and understand the responses
- Express basic facts and opinions in simple sentences

#### Knowledge

This course is designed to assist the participants to acquire and demonstrate knowledge about:

- Essential vocabulary in the local dialect
- Basic grammatical forms in the local dialect
- Culturally appropriate usage of the local dialect

#### Skills

This course is designed to assist participants in enriching the following skills:

- Ability to handle successfully a variety of basic communicative tasks and social situations in colloquial Jordanian Arabic
- Ability to converse about a variety of basic and social needs.
- Ability to read authentic daily materials written in colloquial Arabic such as advertisements, text messages, cartoons, descriptions of people and places, topics on Arab culture, etc.
- Ability to give short informal talks on topics of interest in colloquial Jordanian Arabic and to talk about yourself, your education, and your family with native speakers
- Ability to understand some of the differences between formal and spoken Arabic

## Attitudes

This course helps develop the following attitudes:

- Appreciation of the Arabic language in general
- Cultural awareness to behave appropriately and use the proper colloquial Jordanian Arabic phrases in various social situations
- Confidence in linguistic and communicative abilities to interact with native speakers
- Desire to pursue further study of the language

## Course Materials:

- Locally produced materials.

## Evaluation and Assessment

Description	Weight	Due Date
Attendance and Engagement	20%	continuous
Assignments	20%	continuous
Quizzes	20%	Every other Thursday
Midterm Exam	15%	Week 6
Final Project	10%	Week 15
Final Exam	15%	Week 15

### Attendance and Engagement

Participants are expected to attend all regularly scheduled classes and come prepared to participate fully in class activities. Participants are further expected to be on time for all classes. Arriving late for class is disrespectful of both the instructor and fellow participants. Please refer to the official **Amideast** Attendance policy for more information.

### Assignments

There will be daily assignments due at the beginning of class on the day assigned by the instructor. Late homework assignments may be checked by the instructor, but will not be given any credit. Participants are encouraged to study and work on homework assignments together. Participants should follow up on any instructor's comments on the homework and it is the participants' responsibility to come to office hours to see their instructors when questions arise.

#### - **Language Partner Meetings: Referred to as LPA in the home assignments section of each week**

You will receive your language partner's name contact information during week 1 of this term. It is your responsibility to contact him/her; if they do not answer from the first time, continue to call and do not depend on them calling you back as they still do not know your number. If you cannot contact him/her or would like another language partner, just speak to program staff and they will assign you a new language partner.

You should meet with your language partner once a week. These meetings aim to involve you more with the Jordanian culture and Jordanian youth. Every week, there is an assignment or a

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discussion you will be asked to do with your partner that is related to the week's topic and vocabulary. You are expected to widen your cultural knowledge and spoken Jordanian vocabulary and expressions. These meetings count in your assignments grade.

- **Final Project: Due Week 14**

You are responsible for a project due week 14 of this term. The project should be done either individually or in groups. The project could be anything (video, acting scene, book...) that covers some of the subjects we discuss in class and also the cultural knowledge you come to know during your stay in Jordan. You will be presenting your project in class during the last week before the final exam. This project counts as part of your assignments grade.

Quizzes

There will be periodic presentations every other Thursday, unless otherwise indicated by the instructor.

Midterm Exam

The midterm exam will cover material from the beginning of the semester up until the date of the exam.

Final Exam

The final examination will cover material studied after the midterm.

Date		Activity	Home Assignments	Exams
Week 1	الأحد	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>تعارف + ألعاب لغوية</li> <li>تعريف بالكتاب</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>دراسة مفردات الدرس الأول ص. 6+7</li> <li>تمرين 2 ص. 8</li> </ul>	
	الثلاثاء	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ممارسة المفردات ص. 6+7</li> <li>تمرين 1 ص. 8</li> <li>تمرين 4 ص. 9</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>تمرين 3 ص. 9</li> <li>تمرين 5 ص. 11</li> </ul>	
	الأربعاء	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ممارسة المصطلحات ص. 10</li> <li>مناقشة تمرين 5 ص. 11</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>دراسة القواعد ص. 13</li> </ul>	
	الخميس	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ممارسة القواعد ص. 13</li> <li>تمرين 6 ص. 12</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>قراءة الثقافة ص. 12</li> </ul>	
Week 2	الأحد	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>مناقشة الثقافة ص. 12</li> <li>الاسم العربي</li> <li>مناقشة تصريف الفعل الماضي ص. 12</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>دراسة الضمائر ص. 15</li> </ul>	Quiz 1 Thursday
	الثلاثاء	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ممارسة تصريف الفعل المضارع ص. 14</li> <li>ممارسة الضمائر ص. 15</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>تمرين 7 ص. 15</li> </ul>	
	الأربعاء	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ممارسة الأعداد و الساعة ص. 16</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Study for quiz</li> </ul>	
	الخميس	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Quiz</li> <li>ألعاب لغوية</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>دراسة مفردات درس 2 ص. 17</li> <li>تمرين 8 ص. 18</li> </ul>	
Week 3	الأحد	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ممارسة المفردات ص. 17+18</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>تمرين 9 ص. 19</li> </ul>	Excursion
	الثلاثاء	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>مناقشة 9 ص. 19</li> <li>تمرين 10 ص. 20</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>تقديم : تكلم عن نفسك و عن برنامجك اليومي في الاردن</li> <li>Talk about yourself and your daily program in Jordan (don't forget to use vocab chapter 1)</li> </ul>	
	الأربعاء	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>تقديمات</li> <li>ألعاب لغوية</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>دراسة مفردات الوحدة الثانية ص. 22+23</li> <li>تمرين 1 ص. 23</li> </ul>	
	الخميس	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ممارسة المفردات ص. 22+23</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>تمرين 2 ص. 24</li> <li>تمرين 3 ص. 25</li> </ul>	
Week 4	الأحد	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>تمرين 4 ص. 24</li> <li>مناقشة تمرين 3 ص. 25</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>دراسة المصطلحات ص. 27</li> </ul>	Quiz 2 Thursday

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	الثلاثاء	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>تمرين 5 ص. 26</li> <li>ممارسة المصطلحات ص. 27</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>دراسة القواعد ص. 31+30</li> </ul>	
	الأربعاء	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ممارسة تصريف الأفعال ص. 31+30</li> </ul>	Study for quiz	
	الخميس	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Quiz</li> <li>ممارسة الأفعال</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>تمرين 6 ص. 31</li> <li>دراسة المفردات ص. 35+34</li> <li>تمرين 1 ص. 35</li> </ul>	
Week 5	الأحد	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ممارسة المفردات ص. 35+34</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>تمرين 2 ص. 36</li> <li>قراءة الثقافة ص. 39</li> </ul>	
	الثلاثاء	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>تمرين 4 ص. 36</li> <li>مناقشة الثقافة</li> </ul>	تمرين 3 ص. 37	
	الخميس	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>مناقشة تمرين 3 ص. 37</li> <li>تمرين 5 ص. 38</li> </ul>	دراسة المصطلحات ص. 38	
Week 6	الأحد	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ممارسة المصطلحات ص. 38</li> <li>ممارسة الأفعال ص. 40</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>دراسة القواعد ص. 41</li> </ul>	Thursday, Midterm Exam
	الثلاثاء	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ممارسة القواعد ص. 41</li> <li>تمرين 6 ص. 41</li> </ul>	<u>Study for midterm</u>	
	الخميس	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Midterm</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>دراسة السرد بالماضي talking about past ص. 42</li> </ul>	
Week 7	الأحد	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enjoy your spring break</li> <li>عطلة ربيع سعيدة</li> </ul>		Spring Break
	الثلاثاء			
	الخميس			
Week 8	الأحد	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>تمرين 8 ص. 43</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>دراسة مفردات الدرس الرابع ص. 47+46</li> <li>تمرين 1 ص. 48</li> </ul>	
	الثلاثاء	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ممارسة المفردات ص. 47+46</li> </ul>	تمرين 2 ص. 48	
	الخميس	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>تمرين 3 ص. 49</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>دراسة المفردات تمرين 4 ص. 50</li> </ul>	
Week 9	الأحد	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ممارسة تمرين 4 ص. 50</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>قراءة الثقافة ص. 53</li> <li>دراسة المصطلحات ص. 51</li> </ul>	Thursday, Quiz 3
	الثلاثاء	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ممارسة المصطلحات ص. 51</li> <li>الثقافة ص. 53</li> </ul>	Study for quiz	
	الخميس	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Quiz</li> </ul>	تمرين 5 ص. 52	
Week 10	الأحد	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>مناقشة تمرين 5 ص. 52</li> <li>ألعاب لغوية / تكلموا عن تجربتكم مع التكاسي في عمان</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>دراسة مفردات ص. 57+56</li> <li>تمرين 1 ص. 57</li> </ul>	Excursion

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	الثلاثاء	● ممارسة المفردات ص. 56+57	● تمرين 2 ص. 58	
	الخميس	● عطلة سعيدة	● تمرين 4 ص. 59	
<b>Week 11</b>	الأحد	● تمرين 3 ص. 58 ● مناقشة تمرين 4 ص. 59	● دراسة المصطلحات ص. 61	<b>Thursday, Quiz 4</b>
	الثلاثاء	● ممارسة المصطلحات ص. 61 ● الثقافة ص. 62	Study for quiz	
	الخميس	● Quiz		
<b>Week 12</b>	الأحد	<b>Holiday – No class</b> عطلة سعيدة		
	الثلاثاء	● التمرين ( الترجمة ) ص. 62	● دراسة المثني ص. 63	
	الخميس	● ممارسة المثني ص. 63	● دراسة المثني ص. 64	
<b>Week 13</b>	الأحد	● ممارسة المثني ص. 64	● Study quiz	<b>Tuesday, Quiz 5</b>
	الثلاثاء	● Quiz	●	
	الخميس	<b>Excursion – No class</b>	● دراسة المفردات تمرين 5 ص. 65	
<b>Week 14</b>	الأحد	● ممارسة المفردات لتمرين 5 ص. 65	Compare between your house in Jordan and you house in America	
	الثلاثاء	● تقديمات		
	الخميس	● مراجعة		
<b>Week 15</b>	الأحد			<b>Thursday, Final Exam</b>
	الثلاثاء	<b>Holiday – No class</b> سعيدة عطلة	Study for final exam	
	الخميس	<b>Final Exam</b>		
<b>Week 16</b>	الأحد	<b>In-Class Reflection</b>		<b>Reflection Week</b>
	الثلاثاء			
	الأربعاء			
	الخميس			

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