

## **Amideast Education Abroad Programs**

### **ARAB 237: Jordanian Colloquial Arabic IIC**

**Credit Hours:** 3 credits

**Program Location:** Amman, Jordan

#### **Course Description**

This course is intended for participants who have already studied at least one term of Jordanian dialect and have studied Modern Standard Arabic for several terms. Participants with a strong background in Modern Standard Arabic have the capacity to understand and engage in main ideas and details in continuous speech on various topics in colloquial Arabic. While full production remains limited, by the end of the course participants can engage with fluency and accuracy in conversations in colloquial Arabic with native speakers on a wide range of topics. This course enables the student to meet daily and situational needs and requirements of a study and work routine. This course builds on vocabulary and concepts studied in previous Modern Standard and colloquial Arabic courses and allows for increasingly advanced practice using colloquial dialect.

#### **Learning Objectives**

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

- Utilize all of the basic structures of colloquial Jordanian Arabic
- Interact and communicate with native speakers on a wide range of practical, academic, and professional matters
- Participate in social interactions with sensitivity to cultural issues

#### **Knowledge**

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

- Vocabulary in the local dialect at the intermediate high to advanced level, including both the vocabulary used in daily interactions with native speakers as well as the terminology associated with academic study, professional need, and less tangible concepts
- Complex grammatical forms in the local dialect
- Culturally sensitive usage of language at a sophisticated level

#### **Skills**

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

- Ability to converse with greater ease and fluency in colloquial Jordanian Arabic and expand their vocabulary
- Ability to produce high-frequency social conventions
- Ability to identify and reproduce unfamiliar isolated words and/or key phrases and conventions when strongly supported by context
- Comfort with understanding and expressing more complex humor
- Ability to communicate effectively with people from other cultures

#### **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 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, particularly colloquial forms of Arabic and dialects and languages used by minority communities within the host community

#### Course Materials

- Locally produced materials

#### Evaluation and Assessment

Description	Weight	Due Date
Attendance and Engagement	20%	continuous
Assignments	30%	continuous
Quizzes	20%	Every other week
Midterm Exam	15%	Week 7
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 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 week, unless otherwise indicated by the instructor.

Midterm Exam

The midterm exam will cover material covered from the beginning of the semester.

Final Exam

The final examination will cover material studied after the midterm.



Week	Class Work	Homework	Exams, Trips and Holidays
	<b>Orientation Week</b>		
<b>Week 1</b>	<b>Ch. 1</b> <b>فرصة سعيدة</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• تفعيل المفردات الجديدة</li> <li>• تفعيل معاني لسا</li> <li>• تمرين 1</li> <li>• تمرين 4</li> <li>• تمرين 6</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• تمرين 2 # 9</li> <li>• تمرين 3 # 10</li> <li>• تمرين 5 # 12</li> <li>• تمرين 7 # 15</li> </ul>	
<b>Week 2</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• تفعيل المفردات الجديدة</li> <li>• تمرين 10</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• تمرين 8 # 20</li> <li>• تمرين 9 # 21</li> </ul>	<b>Quiz 1</b>
<b>Week 3</b>	<b>Ch. 2</b> <b>صحتين وعافية!</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• تفعيل المفردات الجديدة</li> <li>• تمرين 4 اسألوا زملاءكم</li> <li>• تمرين 5</li> <li>• المصطلحات والتعابير</li> <li>• تمارين القواعد</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• تمرين 1 # 26</li> <li>• تمرين 2 # 26</li> <li>• تمرين 3 # 27</li> <li>• دراسة المصطلحات والتعابير</li> <li>• دراسة القواعد # 32</li> </ul>	<b>Excursion (no classes)</b>
<b>Week 4</b>	<b>Ch. 3</b> <b>رحلة من العمر</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• تفعيل المفردات الجديدة</li> <li>• تمرين 4 اسألوا زملاءكم</li> <li>• تمرين 5</li> <li>• المصطلحات والتعابير</li> <li>• تمرين 7</li> <li>• تمرين 8</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• تمرين 1 # 37</li> <li>• تمرين 2 # 38</li> <li>• تمرين 3 # 39</li> <li>• تمرين 6 # 43</li> </ul>	<b>Quiz 2</b>
<b>Week 5</b>	<b>Ch. 4</b> <b>بدي أطلع مشوار!</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• تفعيل المفردات الجديدة</li> <li>• تمرين 3</li> <li>• تمرين 4</li> <li>• المصطلحات والتعابير</li> <li>• تمرين 5 # 56</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• تمرين 1 # 50</li> <li>• تمرين 2 # 50</li> <li>• تمرين 5 # 54</li> </ul>	

<b>Week 6</b>	<b>Ch. 5</b> البيت بده أغراض • تفعيل المفردات الجديدة • تمرين 3	• تمرين 1 # 59 • تمرين 2 # 60 • تمرين 4 # 61+ 62	<b>Quiz 3</b>  <b>Excursion (no classes)</b>
<b>Week 7</b>	• المصطلحات والتعابير • تفعيل القواعد • تمرين 5	• تمرين 5 # 67	<b>Midterm</b>
<b>Week 8</b>	<b>Spring Break</b>		
<b>Week 9</b>	<b>Ch. 6</b> صاحب ما بنساه • تفعيل المفردات الجديدة • تمرين 4 • تمرين 5 • المصطلحات والتعابير • تمرين 8	• تمرين 1 # 72 • تمرين 2 # 72 • تمرين 3 # 73 • دراسة المصطلحات والتعابير • دراسة القواعد # 77, 78, 79 • تمرين 6 # 77 • تمرين 7 # 79	
<b>Week 10</b>	<b>Ch. 7</b> شو بلبقلي أكثر؟ • تفعيل المفردات الجديدة • تمرين 3 • المصطلحات والتعابير • الثقافة • تمرين 6	• تمرين 1 # 83 • تمرين 2 # 84 • تمرين 4 # 85 • تمرين 5 # 87	<b>Quiz 4</b>
<b>Week 11</b>	<b>Ch. 8</b> الحمد لله على السلامة • تفعيل المفردات الجديدة • تمرين 3 • تمرين 4 • تمرين 5	• تمرين 1 # 94 • تمرين 2 # 94 • قراءة الأعراض # 97 • دراسة المصطلحات # 98	
<b>Week 12</b>	• المصطلحات والتعابير • الثقافة • تمرين 6 • تمرين 7	• تمرين 6 # 99 • دراسة القواعد # 101	<b>Quiz 5</b>
<b>Week 13</b>	<b>Ch. 9</b> شو المناسبة؟ • تفعيل المفردات الجديدة • تمرين 3	• تمرين 1 # 105 • تمرين 2 # 106 • دراسة المصطلحات # 107	<b>Excursion (no classes)</b>

<b>Week 14</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>المصطلحات والتعابير</li> <li>تمارين 7</li> <li>الثقافة</li> </ul> <p><b>Ch. 10</b> العطلة عالباب</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>تفعيل المفردات الجديدة</li> <li>تمارين 3</li> <li>تفعيل المصطلحات والتعابير</li> <li>تمارين 4/د</li> <li>تمارين 5</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>تمارين 6 # 108</li> <li>دراسة القواعد # 109</li> <li>تمارين 1 # 115</li> <li>تمارين 2 # 116</li> <li>دراسة المصطلحات # 117</li> <li>تمارين 4 # 119</li> <li>دراسة القواعد # 121</li> </ul>	
<b>Week 15</b>			<b>Final Exam</b>
<b>Week 16</b>	<b>Reflection Week</b>		