



## DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES

### **AR1101 Arabic, Introductory Course 1, Part I, 15 credits**

Arabiska, Grundkurs 1, del I, 15 högskolepoäng

*First Cycle*

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#### **Confirmation**

This course syllabus was confirmed by Department of Languages and Literatures on 2019-08-07 and was last revised on 2020-08-12 to be valid from 2021-01-18, spring semester of 2021.

*Field of education:* Arts 100%

*Department:* Department of Languages and Literatures

#### **Position in the educational system**

The course is offered as a freestanding course.

#### *Main field of studies*

Arabic

#### *Specialization*

G1N, First cycle, has only upper-secondary level entry requirements

#### **Entry requirements**

General entrance requirements

#### **Learning outcomes**

On successful completion of the course the student will be able to:

#### *Knowledge and understanding*

- give an outline of the Arabic language situation and the relation between spoken and written Arabic;
- describe the Arabic writing system;
- with general grammatical terms give an account of the Arabic nominal system (excluding cases), simple verb forms in the present tense, and basic noun phrases;

*Competence and skills*

- read adapted texts about everyday subjects
- write simple sentences about himself/herself and his/her living conditions;
- transcribe Arabic texts using an established transcription system;

*Judgement and approach*

- critically and independently discuss what importance the knowledge within the subject area has in society and the responsibility humans have for how this knowledge is used.

**Course content**

The course consists of two modules:

*Sub-courses***1. Introduction to Arabic** (*Introduktion till arabiska*), 7.5 credits

The module aims to give an introduction to the Arabic language situation and the relation between spoken and written Arabic. The course deals with general Arabic grammar (mainly inflections for gender and person and modification) and phonetics, as well as the pronunciation and writing system of modern Standard Arabic. Students practice their communicative skills through simple greetings and polite phrases. The module also provides an overview of Arabic identity and culture.

**2. Standard Arabic I** (*Standardarabiska I*), 7.5 credits

The module deals with Arabic noun phrases and simple verb phrases, written and oral exercises on sentence structure, as well as exercises in reading unvocalised texts. A large part of the course is devoted to building a basic vocabulary.

**Form of teaching**

Lectures, teaching sessions, group work and web-based exercises.

*Language of instruction:* Arabic and Swedish

Course literature in English can be involved.

**Assessment**

Modules 1 and 2 are assessed through oral and written submissions and through a written examination.

Students who have failed any part of the course are given the possibility of a new test. In connection with written assignments, supplementary assignments may be offered in order for the student to achieve a Pass grade. Such a supplementary assignment should be done within the stipulated time (normally five working days after the result has been posted). Otherwise a Fail grade will be reported.

A student who has passed a subtest may not do a new test for a higher grade. Nor do students have the right to withdraw a submitted test and in such a way avoid being graded.

If a student who has failed the same examined component twice, wants to change examiner before the next examination, they should submit a written request to the department responsible for the course. The request shall be granted unless there are special reasons to the contrary (Chapter 6, Section 22 of Higher Education Ordinance).

If the University of Gothenburg has decided that a student is eligible for special study support, the examiner may, provided it is compatible with the aim of the course and it can be done within the scope of available resources, decide to offer the student an adjusted examination or a different examination format.

If the course has been discontinued or substantially revised, a student should be guaranteed to sit the examination on at least three occasions (including the ordinary examination occasion) during a period of at least one year, but not later than two years after the course was discontinued or revised. As regards internships/placement the same as above applies, with the exception that examination is offered on only one occasion.

### **Grades**

The grading scale comprises: Pass with Distinction (VG), Pass (G) and Fail (U).

For a Pass with distinction grade on the whole course, this grade is required on the module Standard Arabic I.

### **Course evaluation**

The students are given the opportunity to make a written evaluation of the course. The result of the evaluation is published electronically.

### **Additional information**

Equality aspects should be taken in consideration in content, literature, teaching and evaluation.