Modern Language Centre
Evening | Saturday | Summer
Language Courses

Course Description

Arabic Level 5

*How long does the course last?*

45 hours of tuition - 3 parts of 15 hours each
Part 1: 15 hours
Part 2: 16-30 hours
Part 3: 31-45 hours
The length of each part depends on the type of language course.

**Evening Language Courses**: Lessons take place once a week over 10 weeks and last 1.5 hours each.

**Saturday Language Courses & Evening Fast-track Language Courses**: Lessons take place once a week over 5 weeks and last 3 hours each.

**Summer Fast-track Language Courses**: Lessons take place twice a week over 2.5 weeks and last 3 hours each.

**Summer Intensive Language Courses**: Lessons take place 5 times a week and last 3 hours each.

*Who is the course for?*

The course is aimed at a wide range of students with a general interest in Language with one of the following:

- Level 4 of the MLC Evening / Saturday / Summer Language Courses
- a high degree of fluency and accuracy in the language
- B1/B2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR)
- an A-level or equivalent over 4 years old plus further contact with the language
- level 3 of the Regulated Qualifications Framework (RQF)
- Advanced level of the Asset Languages qualifications

*What are the objectives of the course?*

To perfect existing language skills and to achieve the equivalent of B2/C1 level of the CEFR, level 4 of the RQF.

**By the end of the course you will:**

- be able to understand a range of spoken and written discourses in different styles: factual, journalistic and non-specialist technical with ease
- be able to express yourself orally and in written form using a range of accurate vocabulary and appropriate register, stating an opinion with confidence
- be able to refine your intercultural competence by accessing political, historical and cultural information from a variety of sources

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**How is the course taught?**

A communicative approach is used. All four skills (speaking, reading, listening and writing) are practised, with the main emphasis on speaking.

Students engage in interactive language activities, participating in group and pair work according to a syllabus based on systematic grammatical progression.

Students will also be offered guidance in self-study and set optional homework tasks.

Students will have access to KEATS, King’s e-learning platform.

**What variety of Arabic do you teach?**

Modern Standard Arabic with moderate exposure to several resources in Arabic dialects.

**What course can I do next?**

After completing all three parts of this course, students should be ready to join an Arabic Level 6 course or an Arabic Language & Culture Level 5 course at the MLC.

**Course outline**

**Part 1**

**Topics**
- Establishing home
- Relocation
- Conducting Business
- Shopping: the influence of internet on shopping

**Functions**
- Talking about establishing new home
- Challenges when establishing new residence
- Relocation and getting used to a new culture
- Conducting business in the Arab world
- Discussing the influence of internet on shopping habits

**Grammar**
- General revision
- Nominative and verbal sentence
- The verbal Nouns
- Definite and indefinite Idafa
- The relative pronoun
- The particle “kana and its sisters”

**Part 2**

**Topics**
- Social and cultural occasions
- Social interactions
- Forms of celebrations in the Arab world
- Impact of immigration on people and society

**Functions**
- Discussing cultural feasts and celebrations
- Talking about social interactions
- Discussing immigration and its challenges
Talking about the pros and cons of immigrating to a new country

Grammar
The verbal noun
The dual case
The nominative, accusative and genitive cases
Verb patterns

Part 3
Topics
Travel and discovery
The role of media
Education in the modern time

Functions
Discussing the history of travelling and discovery
The effects of media on the society
Different forms of media
Discussing the role of education

Grammar
Adverbs
Verb roots
The particle “inna”
The passive form
More form of weak verbs

Learning resources

Textbook and exercise book

Students are expected to purchase their own textbook. An exercise book may also be recommended.

The teacher will supply additional material, both tailor-made and taken from other sources (textbooks, newspapers and new media).

Recommended additional material
Online language learning resources
https://www.kcl.ac.uk/study/modern-language-centre/language-resources-centre.aspx#ad-image-0

Independent study

Research indicates that successful language learners revise new material and review their progress on a regular basis. The Language Resources Centre (LRC), situated in room K-1.072 in level minus one of the Strand Building, houses a wide collection of learning material including text and grammar books, magazines and newspapers, CDs, DVDs, and self-access e-learning language programmes.

During term time the LRC facilitates free speaking practice sessions as well as a range of workshops on language learning. For a list of topics and all dates and times, including the opening hours of the LRC, please go to the website: https://www.kcl.ac.uk/study/modern-language-centre/language-resources-centre.aspx#ad-image-0