



CIEE Amman, Jordan

Course title:	Media Arabic
Course code:	ARAB 3007 AMJO
Programs offering course:	Middle East Studies
Language of instruction:	Arabic
U.S. semester credits:	3.00
Contact hours:	45.00
Term:	Fall 2023

Course Description

This course discusses the most recent and important events both regionally and internationally by referring to various media sources either written or visual. In addition, news material would be discussed by referring to multiple news outlet and resources for the purposes of comparison. The course will also heavily focus on media-related vocabulary.

Learning Objectives

By completing this course, students will:

- Comprehend the most important media-related vocabulary
- Analyze each news resource ideology with the specific way of presenting news material to its audience
- Produce political, economic and social discussions
- Compare different news sources

Course Prerequisites

Students should be at the Intermediate II level or above according to ACTFL. The course requires students to have a prior knowledge of vocab, terms and compositions of press and media related subjects, such as politics, economy, diplomacy and international relations, wars and conflicts, political parties and regimes.

Methods of Instruction

- Based teaching in this decision on the texts of news and news reports written and audio, and it will be dealt with reading and listening, discussion and dialogue.
- Gives students a news story to read it at home and then discuss it in class after clarifying the meanings of words and difficult compositions
- Students are asked to follow the news to the issue of what, by reading in the newspaper, or listen to the satellite channel, and then speaks of each student in the class what they read or heard
- Cost of each student to pursue the subject (political, or economic, or social, or otherwise) during the quarter to write a newspaper report presented in the last chapter in front of the class.

Assessment and Final Grade

1.	Homework	10%
2.	Midterm Exam	20%
3.	Presentations	15%
4.	Final Exam	30%
5.	Term's Project	15%
6.	Participation	10%
	TOTAL	100%

Course Requirements

Homework

Homework is due in class on the date noted on the weekly plan schedule and should be handed in at the

beginning of each period. Students are expected to keep all handouts and organize them so that they can use them again in the future.

Midterm Exam

The midterm exam will be divided into two parts; one is written, and the other is an oral presentation on a topic assigned by the instructor.

Presentations

The students will be engaged in numerous communicative **activities**, which include frequent class presentations about different topics covered during the course.

Final Exam

At the end of the term, there will be a final exam that includes a set of articles and questions including text analysis.

Term's Project

Students will choose a topic of their interest and produce a research paper according to the guidelines provided by the instructor. In addition, students must present their paper to the class.

Participation

In order to get the most out of each class, it is very important that you are prepared, alert, and engaged during class activities. In-class activities are designed with the assumption that you already studied the vocabulary and grammar explanations at home and are prepared to activate that knowledge in class.

Attendance

To encourage engaged learning, regular class attendance is required throughout the program. This includes any required co-curricular class excursion or event, as well as internship, service-learning, or other required field placement.

An excused absence in a CIEE course will only be considered if approved by a CIEE Center Director/Academic Director (not the Instructor), and:

- it is a self-certified absence for illness (only once per course, requires formal request before or within 24 hours, cannot miss assessment worth more than 5% of final course grade)
- a doctor's note from a local medical professional is provided
- evidence of a family emergency is provided
- it is a pre-approved observance of religious holiday

Unexcused absences include personal travel and/or travel delays, as well as missing more than 25% of a single class period (including tardiness and early departure). Assessments missed due to unexcused absences will be marked as zero. Students with over 10% unexcused absences will be contacted by CIEE staff. Students with over 20% unexcused absences will be contacted by CIEE staff, receive a formal warning letter (shared with their home institution) and lose 10% of the final course point total (e.g., a final A grade of 93% will be lowered to a B grade of 83%).

For more detail, please consult your CIEE Academic Manual.

Academic Integrity

Academic integrity is essential to a positive and inclusive teaching and learning environment. All students are expected to complete coursework responsibilities with fairness, respect, and honesty. Failure to do so by seeking unfair advantage over others or misrepresenting someone else's work as your own can result in grade penalties or disciplinary action. See the CIEE Student Academic Manual for further information on academic integrity.

N.B. Course schedule and co-curriculars are subject to change. The final duration and distribution of content and assignments will be determined and presented to students at the onset of the course.

Weekly Schedule

Week 1

Class: 1.1 .

Introduction

Arabic and Jordanian Media – الصحافة والإعلام العربي - الصحافة والإعلام الأردني

News Resources - مصادر المعلومات - وكالات الأنباء العربية والدولية

Activities: Discussion نقاش

Homework:

- Prepare the Article: the future of the political Jordanian system

Reading:

- Anis Khasawna, 2017: مستقبل النظام السياسي الأردني
- <https://www.raialyoum.com/index.php>

Class: 1.2 .

Jordan News: politics, economics, international relations

أخبار الأردن - سياسياً - اقتصادياً - العلاقات الخارجية الصحافة الأردنية

News report + article: Jordan: One Thousand Solar Powered Mosques

نص صحفي + تقرير تلفزيوني: الأردن.. ألف مسجد يعمل بالطاقة الشمسية

Homework:

- Prepare your presentation about the article

Reading:

- Skynews, 2018: الأردن.. ألف مسجد يعمل بالطاقة الشمسية

www.skynewsarabia.com/video/1212673

Week 2

Class: 2.2 .

Vocab quiz

Middle East News Report: البشير يدعو المعارضة إلى المشاركة في انتخابات حرة ونزيهة

Discussion

Homework:

- Prepare the article on Iran and its Effect in the Region

Reading:

- BBC Arabic, 2017: البشير يدعو المعارضة إلى المشاركة في انتخابات حرة ونزيهة

www.bbc.com/arabic/media-46722832

Class: 2.2 .

Presentations

Cont. Jordan News

Homework:

- Listen to the news and write about one article and why you were interested in.

- Study for quiz

Week 3

Class: 3.1 .

Middle East News: ايران و تأثيرها الاقليمي في منطقة الشرق الاوسط

Homework:

- Write a paper about what we discussed in the class and what are your opinion and why

Reading:

- Rawabet Center, 2018: ايران و تأثيرها الاقليمي في منطقة الشرق الاوسط

www.rawabetcenter.com/archives/60757

Class: 3.2 .

Cont. ايران و تأثيرها الاقليمي في منطقة الشرق الاوسط

Homework:

- Watch the video on The Iranian Influence in Iraq is a Threat for Israel

Week 4

Class: 4.1 .

Discussion: النفوذ الإيراني في العراق يهدد إسرائيل

Reading:

- Skynews Arabic, 2019. "النفوذ الإيراني في العراق يهدد إسرائيل"

<https://www.skynewsarabia.com/video/1213840>

Homework:

- Prepare the news article: The Most Prominent Economic Crises in the World

Class: 4.2 .

Economic Crisis: أبرز الأزمات الاقتصادية التي شهدتها العالم

Reading:

- صفاء قطيش, 2015. "أبرز الأزمات الاقتصادية التي شهدتها العالم"

www.alhayat.com/article/691399

Homework:

- Watch the report about the American-Chinese Economic Crisis

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MJh7N4wdIv8>

Week 5

Class: 5.1 .

Discussion about the American-Chinese Trade War

Reading:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MJh7N4wdIv8>

Homework:

- Answer the worksheet about the news report

Class: 5.2 .

In-class worksheet

Cont. the article

Homework: Prepare your presentation

- Prepare questions about what studied

Week 6

Class: 6.1 .

Midterm presentations

Homework: Study for Midterm

Class: 6.2 Midterm Exam

Week 7

Class: 7.1 .

Women and Politics: لأول مرة فى تاريخ أمريكا.. 3 نساء عربيات يفزن بعضوية الكونجرس

Discussion

Reading:

- Amad, 2018. "أول مرة فى تاريخ أمريكا.. 3 نساء عربيات يفزن بعضوية الكونجرس" www.amad.ps/ar/details/265685

Homework:

- Watch the Video www//akhbaar24.argaam.com/article/detail/415949

Class: 7.2 .

Worksheet about the Video

Reading:

- Video24, 2018. "أول مرة...3 نساء عربيات في الكونغرس الأمريكي" <https://akhbaar24.argaam.com/article/detail/415949>

Week 8

Class: 8.1 .

Cont. Women and Politics

Class: 8.2 .

Class Discussion with guest speaker

Homework:

- Write a paper about your opinion on the topic

Week 9

Class: 9.1 .

Today in the News

Discussion

Homework:

- Prepare the article about Human Trafficking

Reading:

- www.un.org/ar/events/humantrafficking/background.shtml

Class: 9.2 .

Human Rights: اليوم العالمي لمكافحة الاتجار بالأشخاص

Discussion

Homework:

- Watch the video and answer the questions
- Prepare your presentation

Reading:

- United Nations, اليوم العالمي لمكافحة الاتجار بالأشخاص
- AlJazeera Arabic, 2010. الاتجار بالبشر الجريمة الأكثر ازدهار في العالم.
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RtABBg7SPZI>

Week 10

Class: 10.1 .

Presentations

Today in the News

Discussion

Homework:

- Study for quiz

Reading:

- AlRai Newspaper

<http://alrai.com/>

Class: 10.2 .

Quiz

Weather Forecast: أخبار الطقس

Sports News: أخبار الرياضة

Readings:

- Arabia Weather: <https://www.arabiaweather.com/>
- Al Jazeera Sport: <https://sport.aljazeera.net/>

Week 11

Class: 11.1 .

Weather and Sport News

Discussion

Homework:

- Watch BBC Trending
- Answer questions about the video

Reading:

- اعلان_زين_بشير جدلا # 2018 BBC Trending,
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s8TrG1N9CB8>

Class: 11.2 .

Video Discussion

Reading:

- BBC Trending, 2018 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s8TrG1N9CB8>

Week 12

Class: 12.1 .

Ramadan: طقوس رمضان حول العالم العربي والإسلامي

Homework:

- Prepare your questions

Readings:

- Wasm Online, 2017. طقوس رمضان حول العالم العربي والإسلامي.
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eXr6V1mvHPE>

Class: 12.2 Final Project Presentations

Week 13

Class: 13.1 Final Project Presentations

Class: 13.2 Review

Week 14

Class: Final Exam

Course Materials

Readings

This material will always be up-to-date, because it depends on the news of recent political in Jordan, the region and the world.

- "سكاي نيوز عربية, 2018 الأردن.. ألف مسجد يعمل بالطاقة الشمسية". Skynews, Dec. 28
- www.skynewsarabia.com/video/1212673
- Anis Khasawna, 2017 "مستقبل النظام السياسي الأردني", Rai Alyoum, Nov. 1
- <https://www.raialyoum.com/index.php>
- BBC Arabic, 2018. "البشير يدعو المعارضة إلى المشاركة في انتخابات حرة ونزيهة". BBC, Dec 31.
- www.bbc.com/arabic/media-46722832
- Rawabet Center for Research and Strategic Studies, Jan. 25.
- www.rawabetcenter.com/archives/60757
- Skynews Arabic, 2019. "النفوذ الإيراني في العراق يهدد إسرائيل". Skynews عربية, Jan 1.
- <https://www.skynewsarabia.com/video/1213840>
- Alhayat, Sep. 11 "صفاء قطيش, 2015. "أبرز الأزمات الاقتصادية التي شهدتها العالم"
- www.alhayat.com/article/691399
- Amad, 2018. "لأول مرة فى تاريخ أمريكا.. 3 نساء عربيات يفزن بعضوية الكونجرس". Amad, Nov. 7
- www.amad.ps/ar/details/265685
- Akhbaar24, Nov. 8. "لأول مرة... 3 نساء عربيات فى الكونغرس الأمريكي"
- <https://akhbaar24.argaam.com/article/detail/415949>
- AlJazeera Arabic, 2010. "الاتجار بالبشر الجريمة الأكثر ازدهار في العالم"
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RtABBg7SPZI>
- BBC Trending, 2018 # اعلان_زين_بشير جدلا في الخليج. YouTube, May 15.
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s8TrG1N9CB8>
- Wasm Online, 2017. طقوس رمضان حول العالم العربي والإسلامي. YouTube, May 29.

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eXr6V1mvHPE>
- Students will be asked to follow news from various media resources such as newspapers: Al-Ra'í, Al-Dostoor, Al-Gad, and Al-Sabeel, Al-Ahram, Al-Hayat, and Al-Quds Al-Arabi and satellite TV: Al Jazeera, BBC, Al-Arabia, CNN.