NVCC COLLEGE-WIDE COURSE CONTENT SUMMARY
ARA 101– BEGINNING ARABIC I (5 CR.)

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Introduces understanding, speaking, reading, and writing skills and emphasizes basic Arabic sentence structure. Discusses the diversity of cultures in the Arab world.

Lecture - 5 hours per week

GENERAL COURSE PURPOSE

This course is designed to introduce students to beginning communications skills in Arabic and to the varied cultures of the Arab world.

ENTRY LEVEL COMPETENCIES

Students must be functionally fluent in English. There are no prerequisites for ARA 101 as it is a course for true beginners. Students with Arabic language proficiency should be evaluated and placed in an appropriate level of Arabic.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of these courses, the student will be able to:

- Understand simple spoken Arabic within the limited context presented to beginners.
- Speak simple Arabic with correct pronunciation at normal conversational speed.
- Read the Arabic she/he has already learned to comprehend and speak, reading selections in rearrangements and combinations of words and expressions already encountered.
- Write accurately what the student has learned to understand, say, and read.
- List different Arab cultures.

MAJOR TOPICS TO BE COVERED

Personal Identification
House and Home
Services
Family Life
Community/Neighborhood
Physical Environment
Meal taking/Food/Drink
Health and Welfare