

**NVCC COLLEGE-WIDE COURSE CONTENT SUMMARY
ARA 104 - BASIC SPOKEN ARABIC II (3 CR.)**

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Prerequisite is ARA 103. Teaches oral communication and introduces cultural mores and customs to students with little prior instruction in the language.

Lecture - 3 hours per week

GENERAL COURSE PURPOSE

Beginning Spoken Arabic is a conversational course for students with one previous semester of Arabic or instructor approval. The focus is on the development of communication skills, practical vocabulary, and cultural patterns begun in ARA 103. This course does not fulfill the foreign language requirement for the AA degree.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:

1. understand more simple spoken Arabic, still within a limited context
2. carry on a simple conversation with correct pronunciation and with greater facility than in ARA 103
3. discuss cultural patterns, including social patterns of behavior in the Arab world

MAJOR TOPICS TO BE COVERED

The student will learn more practical vocabulary in contextual communication patterns. The structure of the language will be contextualized in greater detail than in ARA 103 and the spoken skills will continue to be developed. Topics and situations to be covered in greater depth than in ARA 103 may include:

- A. Personal Identification
- B. Weather
- C. Health and Welfare
- D. House and Home Education
- E. Travel
- F. Family Life
- G. Earning a Living
- H. Community/Neighborhood
- I. Shopping
- J. Physical Environment
- K. Meal-taking/Food/Drink
- L. Cultural information about Arabic Speaking Countries