ARABIC LANGUAGE (ARBC 1)

Fall 2019
Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 4:00 – 5:05
Professor A. Berrahmoun

Arabic 1 is the first course of the year-long beginning Arabic sequence at UCSC (Arabic 1, 2, 3) and introduces students to the study of Modern Standard Arabic. Arabic 1 is a four-skills language course (listening, speaking, reading, writing), and students will also learn about aspects of contemporary culture in the Arabic-speaking world. Topics covered in Arabic 1 include: the Arabic alphabet and sound system, basics of sentence structure, beginning vocabulary and grammar.

After completing Arabic 1, students should be able to:

— read the Arabic alphabet, distinguish and pronounce all Arabic sounds
— have a basic active vocabulary of approximately 300 words
— use Arabic greetings, social interaction formulas, and understand cultural aspects of interactions in the Arabic-speaking world
— talk about themselves, their education, and their family
— understand elementary written texts on topics covered in class
— understand elementary audio/visual texts on topics covered in class
— write a simple paragraph about oneself
— have a basic understanding of differences between formal and spoken Arabic