

Introduction to Quranic and Modern Standard Arabic (REL 122)

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Pre-Req: Instructor Consent as a pre- requisite.

Credit Hours: 4

Schedule: Monday to Friday (2:00PM to 4:50PM)

The main objective of this course is to introduce students to elementary Qur'anic Arabic. However, it is also intended that, at the end of the course, students be in a position to use the same skill to speak standard, formal Arabic in ordinary, day-to-day situations at an introductory level. Furthermore, they be able to use Arabic dictionaries to read texts and have enough base to develop their skills further in this language on their own. Although, primarily, Grammar-translation method shall be used, aspects of Situational Language Teaching (SLT) are also part of the teaching-learning approach. Texts in focus for reading will include selections from the Qur'an, ḥadith and other classical and modern sources. There will also be those in the context of day-to-day situations.