J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College
Course Content Summary

Course Prefix and Number:  ARA 201  
Credits:  3

Course Title:  Intermediate Arabic I

Course Description:  Continues to develop understanding, speaking, reading, and writing skills, and emphasizes basic Arabic sentence structure. Discusses the diversity of cultures in the Arab world. Classes are conducted in Arabic. Prerequisite: ARA 102 or equivalent. Lecture 3 hours per week.

General Course Purpose:

Course Prerequisites and Co-requisites:
Prerequisite:  ARA 102 or equivalent

Course Objectives:
Upon completing the course, the student will be able to
a. Appreciate and understand the social issues and political events of Arabic culture through reading;
b. Acquire further understanding of Arabic life through everyday situations, family life, student life, and cross-cultural comparisons;
c. Acquire a usable vocabulary through new words, concepts, and verb forms;
d. Use in practical application the grammar and verbs learned in Arabic 101-102; and
e. Function at the intermediate level in Arabic.

Major Topics to Be Included
a. Basic grammatical structures
b. Complex structures of the language
c. Development of reading skills
d. Vocabulary including idiomatic expressions
e. Conversations in Arabic
f. Cultures of the Arab world
g. Authentic literary texts
h. Development of writing skills

Effective Date of Course Content Summary:  Fall, 2004