

## *Why learn Arabic?*

- Arabic is spoken in 22 countries
- To gain access to a culture that has made a great contribution to Asia and the world
- To be well equipped when traveling or working in the economically rising Arab countries



## *Arabic at CLS*

- Communicative
- Interactive
- Learner-centred
- Progressive

## *Immersion Programme*

- Starting in 2013/14
- 3- 4 weeks of Arabic immersion programme in an Arab country,
- intensive language course, cultural activities and excursions.



## *Message from an Alumnus*

Assalamu alaikum! Do you know that 'Alumni' is Arabic for 'our scholar'? Yes, and as an Alumni and a former Arabic language student in NUS, I invite you to learn Arabic, one of the oldest and richest living language in the world! The lessons conducted in NUS were fun and interactive and I felt that even if I had completed studying the language at the beginner level, I was still able to teach myself and improve my reading and writing skills as the resource and tools provided to learn were plenty.

-Haziq Harlem, FASS (Economics) graduate.



## *Arabic*

Arabic has been a major source of loanwords for languages such as Spanish, Persian, Swahili, Urdu, Hindustani (especially the spoken variety), Turkish, Malay, Tagalog, and Indonesian. Through learning Arabic you would be able to access a culture that has made a great contribution to Asia and the world in such areas as religion, science, mathematics, commerce, arts, and music.

In all Arabic modules, all skills of the language are taught equally and communicatively, in a way that involves students in the learning process, in a form of pair work, group work, class activities, role plays, and presentations. By taking an Arabic module, the students will learn how to communicate, read, and write in the language, all at the same pace.

## *Structure of the Language Programme*

Currently, the Arabic Programme consists of six modules:

<b>Elementary Level:</b>	Arabic 1 and Arabic 2
<b>Intermediate Level:</b>	Arabic 3 and Arabic 4
<b>Advanced Level:</b>	Arabic 5 and Arabic 6

## *Target Group*

All NUS students who have interest in Arabic language and culture can take Arabic modules. Those who have learned some Arabic elsewhere are to take the placement test, normally held two weeks before the beginning of each semester. Our modules are especially useful for students majoring in Islamic Studies, Malay Studies, Political Science, History, and Business. Students from Cohort 2017 are eligible for Minor in Language Studies. For more information please refer to the CLS website.

**For enquiries, please refer to list of staff contact from our website.**

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