

# مركز الضياء الكندي للدراسات العربية

Eddiya Canadian Centre for Arabic Studies Towards promoting knowledge, multiculturalism & peace

### **Eddiva Institute**

Arabic language and culture programs: New interactive learning approaches (kids &adults)



Arabic for All onsite & online courses

Learn Arabic wherever you are & whenever you want

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## إِنَّا ۚ أَنزَ لَنَاهُ قُرْءَأَنًا عَرَبِيًّا لَّعَلَّكُمْ تَعْقِلُونَ (٢)

### **CELEBRATING SUCCESS**

We are proud to announce that we have had more than 480 registered students (kids& adults) during the last three years. From more than 13 different nationalities, most of them reaching their goal expectations in reading and writing Arabic. Our students also come from different religious groups such as: Sunni Muslims, Shia Muslims and various other faiths.

### **MISSION**

Our Mission is to make standard Arabic training accessible to all institutions and individuals. Through our creative and interactive learning approaches, which makes Arabic fun and easy to learn.

### **GOALS**

The goal of all our programs is to build good citizens and to promote multilingualism and cultural diversity in Canada. To create communities where children feel safe, valued & respected and where children are more successful in their academic achievement and personal lives.

### **FOUNDER:**

Abdallahi and other scholars founded Eddiya in Mauritania 1998 and registered it in Canada 2011 Dr. Abdallahi O. Hamdy is of Mauritanian origin. He obtained his PHD in Arabic language and Literature in 1999 from the University of Hassan two in Morocco. He has been teaching Arabic as a second language, and Al Quran for more than 20 years in Mauritania, Malaysia, USA, and Canada. Abdallahi has participated in many national and international conferences and workshops on education, Arabic language, cultural issues, interfaith, and child studies throughout the globe. He speaks three languages, Arabic, English and French. In addition to that he served as the Muslim Champlain in the Mount Royal University (MRU), and contributed in a variety of talks.

He has also written several books and articles.related to Arabic he conducted interviews about contemporary Islam with Canadian media such as CBC and the Grande Prairie journal. He is known as an Arabic activist in North America.

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Why should I study the Arabic language?

People study Arabic for many different reasons. Some people love Arabic because it is the language of Al Quran and the prophet Mohamed (PBUH), while others think that Arabic will give them a career edge in the fields of education, diplomacy, business, and oil industry. Due to the importance of Arabic language in the world right now, the (UNESCO) the united nations educational, scientific, and cultural organization has chosen December 18th, as world Arabic day, as it is the day in 1973 when the general assembly approved Arabic as an official UN language. In a statement issued on December 18th 2012 Irina Bokava director general of UNESCO, emphasized the significance of Arabic as the language of 22 member states of UNESCO, a language with more than 422 Million speakers in the Arabic world and used by more than 1.5 Billion Muslims. She added "By celebrating the Arabic language day, we are also acknowledging the tremendous contribution of its writers, scientists, and artists to the universal culture" Also a study by the US modern language association indicates that Arabic has been the fastest growing foreign language in America. There is a big demand for Arabic teachers and speakers in several fields today in North America. Therefore the Arabic language enrolment has risen by 68 percent since 2005 in some American universities.

In addition to all of that, there is a growing demand for it among Arab communities and Muslims in

Canada.

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**LENGTH OF THE PROGRAM** 

The Arabic language and culture program at Eddiya centre covers two years of modern standard Arabic. We use the most widely taught textbook series In the Arabic Language Garden, Arabic for life, Al-Kitaab, supplemented with a variety of authentic materials (newspapers and magazines, films, songs, advertisements, menus, YouTube videos, etc.) to make the cultural context come alive. The program is structured to get you speaking modern Arabic language as quickly as possible (this is called the communicative method); by the end of the first year (level 6). Classes are conducted primarily in Arabic.

## **OUR PROGRAM**

About our programs: Our program focuses on all four language skills (speaking, listening, reading, and writing). As a beginner, you'll start by learning to write the Arabic alphabets and pronouncing it in a perfect way. Throughout your study, one class or two per week will focus on practical vocabulary and commonly discussed topics (greetings, numbers, months, colors, parts of the house, clothing, fruits and vegetables, family relations, the weather, etc.). You will revise what you have been taught weekly. As you advance, you'll learn the grammar and vocabulary you need to maintain an interesting post-secondary level conversation in Arabic.

VI.ARAB 2005 Islamic Arabic (Al Quran vocabulary)

There are two main programs in our centre

- •The Arabic language certificate program (300 hours)
- •The Arabic language diploma Program (300 hours)

The Arabic language certificate program

•Short cooperated courses Arabic for health, Arabic for business etc.

**Course Name Length** I.ARAB 1000 - Beginner Modern Standard Arabic (part 1) 50 hours II.ARAB 1001 - Beginner Modern Standard Arabic (part 2) 50 hours III.ARAB 1002 - Intermediate Modern Standard Arabic (part 1) 50 hours IV.ARAB 1003 - Intermediate Modern Standard Arabic (part 2) 50 hours V.ARAB1004 -Advanced Modern Standard Arabic (part 1) 50 hours VI.ARAB1005- Advanced Modern Standard Arabic (part 2) 50 hours Total: 300 hours The Arabic language Diploma program Note that: ARAB 1000-1005 are prerequisites for 2000 level classes I.ARAB 2000 Intermediate Arabic grammar 50 hours II.ARAB 2001 Advanced Arabic grammar 50 hours III. ARAB 2002 Advanced reading & comprehension 50 hours IV. ARAB 2003 Advanced conversation & Composition 50 hours V.ARAB 2004 Media Arabic(Presentation & taking notes) 50 hours

Please note that: Arabic courses may be taken as electives or as part of a minor in world language studies.

The 50 hours required for each course may be completed based on your schedule, once or twice a week, or intensive course

**Learning Outcome:** 

•Being able to speak the language clearly.

Total:

•Being able to understand Arabic lectures & TV news

50 hours

300 hours

- •Being able to write an essay.
- •Being able to take notes and to summarize lectures

### **RESEARCH PROJECT**

Call for papers and participation

: International Arabic language day celebration Dec18th, 2014

### **Seminar Title**

Towards improving teaching Arabic language in Canada

- •Developing new interactive learning methods in listening & speaking.
- •Developing new interactive learning methods in reading &writing.
- •Developing an easy Arabic grammar curriculum which makes the language fun to learn.
- Developing Instructor's evaluation methods.
- •Challenges facing Arabic language.

Deadline for abstracts is June 1st, 2014. Decision will be made by July 15th,2014. Abstracts should not be longer than 600 words. Final paper should be at least 7,000 words and not exceed 10,000 words.

-Eddiya centre will publish selected papers in an edited volume of Eddiya magazine. Inquiries and abstracts should be addressed to

the centre, via email: info@Eddiva.com YOUR LANGUAGE



Be part of this great project by volunteering your time or donating. Preserving this beautiful language is the responsibility of all of us.