

Arabic for Non-Native Speakers at Petra University Amman-Jordan

Arabic for Non-Native Speakers program at Petra University covers a wide range of language skills and offers further opportunities for students interested in Arabic language at all levels. The program provides Arabic language teaching with high quality in a comfortable learning environment. You will learn Arabic while living the Arabic and Islamic culture in the heart of the Middle East. It's an experience you will never forget.

About Jordan

Jordan has grown into a modern nation that has enjoyed a remarkable state of peace, stability and economic growth in recent decades.

A well-traveled bridge between sea and desert, east and west, the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan is a land of mesmerizing beauty and contrasts, from the Jordan Valley, fertile, ever changing, to the remote desert canyons, immense and still. Visitors can explore splendid desert castles, gaze in awe at the haunting wilderness of Wadi Rum, or bathe in the restful waters of the red sea. Jordan provides a safe and stable environment for students to learn about the region.

Amman is the capital of Jordan. It has a history that goes back at least 5,000 years. Despite the ancient ruins that dominate the downtown skyline, much of the city only dates back to the 1970s. Draped over several hills, Amman is a study in contrasts. A traditional downtown *souk* (marketplace) is a taxi ride away from massive, American-style shopping malls. It is a very accessible, cosmopolitan city with numerous museums, art galleries, theaters, and cinemas. With its reputation for security and hospitality, Amman is home to inhabitants from all over the Middle East.

About Jordan: Please visit: <http://www.visitjordan.com/Default.aspx>

Jordan Weather

Jordan boasts almost year-round sunshine with temperate, comfortable weather. Spring and autumn are fresh and crisp with rain being more common in the spring. This is when wildflowers bloom and the fields are full. The long summer days are sunny with cool evenings – perfect for

rooftop sunsets and outdoor activities. Wintertime can be cold in the desert, but is pleasantly moderate in most of the country.

About Petra University

Petra University, a university where students really enjoy the opportunity to achieve their goals while developing a desire for lifelong learning. Being in the western part of Amman, Petra University is one of most welcoming universities in Jordan, located on Airport Rd. only seven Km. from 7th Circle in Amman, Jordan, Petra university students receive the best of Quality Education, while enjoying the convenience and the relaxing atmosphere of its campus. Our university is committed to opening up quality education to students from a diverse range of backgrounds and experiences. It is a home to six faculties in a compact and friendly campus.

Our University has come a long way in a short time, and we currently have about 6000 students, of these are international students from more than 30 countries. Petra University has an excellent reputation among students, their parents, faculty and local community. Our facilities, such as sports centre and play grounds, in addition to our learning resources: library labs and wireless facilities are top class. The University's research programs flourish across a range of areas, backed up by alliances with other major research institutions. Petra University's international relations cover an extensive range of exchange programs.

About Petra University: Please visit:

<http://www.uop.edu.jo/default.aspx?lang=en&location=default>

About the Program

The program is designed for students who have an interest in Jordan and the Middle East. Courses are offered in the area of Arabic language and taught by highly qualified tutors of wide experience in teaching Arabic for non-native speakers.

Our Mission

- To deliver Arabic language and culture lessons professionally to non-Arabic speakers to be used as a means of constructive dialogue between Arabs and other nations.
- To provide a true and clear image on the Arab and Islamic world in general and Jordan in particular.

- To improve your Arabic through intensive language, courses comprise Modern Standard and Colloquial Jordanian Arabic and interacting with local university students through a peer tutor program.

Courses

There are four types of courses that cover all the skills needed in Arabic language such as: Reading, listening, speaking, and writing specifically, the Courses are:

- Beginners Courses
- Intermediate Courses
- Advanced Courses
- Tailor made Courses

Every student is subject to an assessment test to be placed in his appropriate level. To be promoted to the next level, students have to pass an evaluation test at the end of the course.

Program Dates

Academic Year: - 40 weeks
 first September – mid August

Fall Semester: -16 weeks
 first September – late December
 320 hours: 20 hours per week

Spring Semester: -16 weeks
 late January – late May
 320 hours: 20 hours per week

Summer Semester: -8 weeks
 late June – mid August
 160 hours: 20 hours per week

Facilities

- Female accommodation within Petra University campus
- Library and learning resources
- Indoor and outdoor sport grounds
- Fitness and health centre compound

- Snacks and fast food arena
- Wireless internet all around the campus
- Languages Laboratory (A well-equipped language laboratory is available (digital lap) to help students improve their listening and speaking skills through cassettes and CDs)

Tuition Fees

One Year:	2135JD	3050 \$
Fall Semester:	840 JD	1200 \$
Spring Semester:	840 JD	1200 \$
Summer Semester:	455 JD	650 \$

1 JD = 0.70 USD

Tuition fees include:

- Registration fee
- Text books
- Transportation from and to Petra University within the bus route
- Medical insurance
- Use of all university facilities except for the accommodation
- Excursions and social activities: Petra University will provide transportation but the students cover other expenses
- Airport transfer on arrival

Accommodation

Accommodation is available only for females at Petra University campus for a nominal fee, and we help in finding accommodation for male students.

Excursions

- 3 day trip to Aqaba, Petra, and Wadi Rum
- 1 day trip to historical places within the capital region
- 1 day trip to the Dead Sea, Baptism site at the Jordan River, Madaba and Nebo Mountain
- 1 day trip to Jerash, Ajloun, and the Rabadh Castle

- Other excursions will be announced during the course

Entry Visas

USA, EU, Australia, Canada, Korea Japan, Malaysia, Indonesia, and South Africa nationals can obtain their visas on arrival at Queen Alia International Airport, Amman.

Other nationals: Please call Mr. Saad – Mughrabi at: Mobile No. +9620799900080.

Or please check with nearest Jordan embassy to your country

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