ARABIC

Unlike English, the Arabic alphabet consists of 28 letters and is written from right to left. These 28 letters are key to your next cultural adventure or future career. Arabic classes allow you to explore the language and culture in a way that you never have before.

Considered a critical language by the US Department of State, you will be competitive for a critical language scholarship (CLS) by participating in this area of study. The CLS program includes intensive language instruction and structured cultural enrichment experiences designed to promote rapid language gains.

Academics

Six hours from 300 level ARAB courses. Six additional hours.

- ARAB 101 Beginning Arabic I
- ARAB 102 Beginning Arabic II
- ARAB 201 Second-Year Arabic I
- ARAB 202 Second-Year Arabic II
- ARAB 288 Exploring Love, Sexuality and Femininity in the History of Arabic Culture
- ARAB 303 Advanced Composition, Grammar and Conversation I
- ARAB 304 Advanced Composition, Grammar and Conversation II
- ARAB 306 Women in Quran

Some students choose other 300 level courses in history, classics and religious studies, or other areas. See your advisor for approval.

Experiences and Opportunities

In the rapidly changing Arab world, the “Arabic Spring” is bringing about essential political, economic and business reforms. These reforms are launching a new era and reestablishing the global economic and cultural exchange between the Arabic countries and the West. New career opportunities in intelligence, business, diplomacy and academia are increasing nationwide and overseas.

Arabic Conversation Table gives you the opportunity to practice your Arabic in the Language Lab with other students. The Arabic Writing Center helps you enhance your Arabic learning experience! You can discuss your written assignments with native speakers of Arabic and learn ways to improve your writing.

CZECH

The Czech program at Nebraska is one of eight regularly offered Czech language programs in the entire United States, giving you the opportunity to learn not only the Czech language, but the history and culture as well. Twenty-five percent of our students who have studied Czech have gone on to study and/or work in the Czech Republic and Slovakia. Business opportunities are growing in Eastern Europe and many U.S. companies have already expanded into the Czech Republic and Slovakia.

Academics

Six hours from 300 level or above. Six additional hours including CZEC 298 Special Topics (Education Abroad).

- CZEC 101 Beginning Czech I
- CZEC 102 Beginning Czech II
- CZEC 201 Second-Year Czech I
- CZEC 202 Second-Year Czech II
- CZEC 301 Representative Authors I
- CZEC 301 Representative Authors I
- CZEC 302 Representative Authors II
- CZEC 396 Independent Study
- CZEC 398 Special Topics

For a complete list of applicable courses see minor advisor.

Experiences and Opportunities

The Czech Komenský Club provides events which focus on culture and history and bring together people of diverse backgrounds who share Czech interests. The club, created in 1904, has organized concerts of classical music, lectures, poetry readings, balls, workshops, film screenings and other cultural activities for our students as well as for members of the Lincoln community.

There are also several education abroad opportunities for travel to the Czech Republic to further your understanding of the language and culture.

If you are interested in working internationally you will benefit from minoring in a foreign language. Language skills contribute to successful careers in the sciences, government, business and non-profit/humanitarian work as employers hire candidates with strong communication skills.

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JAPANESE

Japanese is one of the fastest growing foreign languages studied in the United States. Besides being the native language of 120 million people, it is recognized as one of the major languages of commerce and culture in Asia. This minor also offers the opportunity for you to learn an ancient culture that produced the first novel and other innovations. Japanese language is essential to understanding Japanese people, culture and business.

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Experiences and Opportunities

The Japanese Conversation Table meets in the Kawasaki Reading Room for Japanese Studies and allows students to practice and further their understanding of the Japanese language.

There are also several education abroad opportunities for students to travel to Japan to further their understanding of the language and culture.

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Join the Global Friends of Japan student organization and take on a leadership role.

Academics

Select three courses:
- JAPN 301 Advanced Conversation and Composition I
- JAPN 302 Advanced Conversation and Composition II
- JAPN 303 Advanced Grammar and Reading I
- JAPN 304 Advanced Grammar and Reading II
- JAPN 307 Business Japanese I
- JAPN 308 Business Japanese II
- JAPN 331 Introduction to Japanese Film

Select one course:
- JAPN 331 Introduction to Japanese Film or JAPN 483 Modern Japanese Literature and Culture in Translation
- MODL 398 Special Topics or MODL 498 Special Topics
- ANTH 366 Peoples and Cultures of East Asia

Special Topics courses or alternative courses must pertain to Japanese language, literature or culture and be approved by the minor advisor.

For a complete list of applicable courses see minor advisor.

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