

Teaching Arabic as a foreign language

(TAFL)



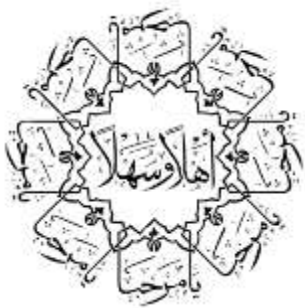
The Centre offers you a lifetime experience to gain a high level of proficiency in Arabic. Mastering Arabic is not only about academia but also culture, art and society.

The 1985-established centre is based in Alexandria where you can practice Arabic on daily basis with native speakers.

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INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION WITH UNIVERSITIES

Alexandria University, represented by TAFL, has signed, since 1985 cooperation agreements with many universities worldwide.

University of Maryland at College Park, Michigan state University at East Lansing, University of Oklahoma, the university of Arizona) and (IFSA) Butler University.



TAFL's MISSION

TAFL Centre offers Arabic programs to learners aiming at attaining higher levels in Arabic in the shortest possible time while engaging with Arab culture. The centre is concerned with presenting an authentic image of the cultures of Egypt and the Arab/Islamic world, an image that is remote from stereotypes and misconceptions.

Moreover, the centre aims at creating a cultural bridge between Egypt and the international community, regardless of the world of politics altogether.



Since 2008, TAFL Centre has signed agreements with:

AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES:

For a decade TAFL dealt with a number of American programs such as The Middlebury school of languages (Arabic school abroad), Flagship (a program through which a wide range of universities send their students to learn Arabic at TAFL e.g. University of Texas at Austin,

ASIAN INSTITUTES

Since 2011, TAFL has become a mecca to Asian students. It signed agreements with CCIEE (The Chinese Centre for International Education Exchange), then Ningxia University. Moreover, TAFL is working on signing several MOUs with many prestigious Asian universities.

The centre also receives Korean students as well as Malaysian physicians who seek survival Arabic programs.

TAFL Centre recently has started to receive students from the University of Tokyo.





EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES

TAFL Centre dealt with a number of European programs for decades. The centre cooperated with DAAD program, Erasmus Mundus as well as Exeter, Oxford and SOAS universities.

Every year, TAFL receives students from Sciences Po (France), Copenhagen University, Cambridge University and students from other European countries.



AFRICA

In cooperation with Senghor University, TAFL Centre teaches colloquial Arabic to African Franco-phonetic students who study for a Master's degree. Additionally, the Centre helps African physicians, affiliated with Alexandria University, to learn Arabic.

The centre also receives private candidates from different parts of the world.



TEACHING STAFF

Associated with the TAFL Centre is a highly-accomplished team of teachers who are not only specialized in teaching Arabic as a foreign language but also in various pedagogic areas such as curriculum design, teaching methodologies, and testing.

TAFL has a number of OPI (Oral Proficiency Interview) certified testers. Via training held locally and abroad, our staff is well prepared to use up-to-date teaching techniques, conduct learner-centered classes and engage learners in real life, communicative tasks that enhance learning and language acquisition, as well as help make the classroom environment as enjoyable as possible. TAFL also recruits professors from different disciplines in order to meet our learners' needs and majors.

Our teachers have international experience since almost all of them had the opportunity to teach abroad e.g.: American, European as well as Moroccan universities and centres.



TAFL TOT

TAFL Centre offers a 60-hour course to teachers who are interested in teaching Arabic as a foreign language.

The course offers trainees the chance to grasp the required knowledge to start their careers throughout a plethora of workshops that expose them to the communicative approach as well as handy resources.

The trainers are professional teachers with extensive knowledge in teaching Arabic as a foreign language.

It focuses on enhancing the teacher's professionalism in teaching skills within the field.





OFFERED COURSES

1. LANGUAGE COURSES

The courses aim at enhancing learner's proficiency in the basic language skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing.

These are further enhanced through a variety of materials and a wide range of tasks and activities.

A. (MSA)

Learners are exposed to MSA (Modern Standard Arabic) via text books. This variety of Arabic is the official language of the media and more formal events.

B. (ECA)

ECA (Egyptian Colloquial Arabic) learners use this variety of Arabic in different contexts to carry out functions such as shopping, making reservations, requesting or asking for information. Learners enjoy a lifetime experience on many levels when learning ECA, as they watch movies, listen to songs and go on field trips.

C. MEDIA

Learners are given much practice studying the genre of media through reading and listening materials, so they can gradually follow daily news on the TV/Radio and in newspapers.

D. TRANSLATION

Learners are to be trained on how to translate from English to Arabic and vice versa through a variety of text types covering a wide range of topics/themes. On advanced levels, students can take consecutive translation as well as interpretation classes. Translation classes armour students with apt strategies and techniques to deal with as many translation genres as possible.



F. Pronunciation

TAFL has a group of phoneticians who can deal with pronunciation challenges encountered by learners. Such classes help students overcome these challenges in a short time. One-to-one sessions can be taken when necessary.

2. CONTENT COURSES

The Centre also offers content courses on:

- ♣ Islamic studies
- ♣ Arabic Linguistics
- ♣ Islamic philosophy
- ♣ Political science
- ♣ Egyptology
- ♣ comparative literature
- ♣ Cinema
- ♣ Negotiation skills
- ♣ Women and Gender studies



3. ONLINE CLASSES

Amid the unexpected consequences of **COVID-19**, the TAFL Centre has revived its online practices to keep its students on track. TAFL has provided online sessions in Spring 2020 for students of Cambridge University, Aarhus University, Copenhagen University, and Ningxia University.

TAFL is ready to offer all the mentioned courses to be tailored online upon students' needs.





WHAT CAN YOU OFFER



- ✓ Small classes conducted entirely in Arabic at all levels
- ✓ Dedicated, experienced and professional staff
- ✓ Integrated classes
- ✓ One-to-one sessions
- ✓ Well-equipped classrooms with cutting-edge technologies.
- ✓ Orientation session and crash courses.
- ✓ Help with arrivals, accommodation and visa
- ✓ Cultural excursions
- ✓ Young and active team of Egyptian language partners
- ✓ Extracurricular activities e.g., field trips and touristic tours
- ✓ Language clubs, where students practice their language in various ways outside class.
- ✓ Centre location opposite to Bibliotheca Alexandrina



Besides having well-equipped classes, TAFL has established a LIC (Language Innovation Centre) under the cooperation with XCELING project which is funded



by ERASMUS+ program. The LIC is to allow researchers and trainers to use the latest technologies in teaching FL. It provides a stable high-speed connection where streaming and online sessions can take place.



TAFL SUMMER PROGRAMS

TAFL Centre has created **two** summer programs; an intensive 10-week summer program equivalent to a full academic year (**12 credits**) as well as a 5-week program that grants students **6 credits**.

The intensive program is open for students who seek a higher level of proficiency in Arabic in a short time. The program diverse language and content courses that meet the needs of beginner, intermediate and advanced levels. The program includes extracurricular activities as well as cultural trips and tours.

Students can have the opportunity to join training courses and internships where they can practice Arabic naturally.



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Fall semester: 2057 \$ (+33 \$ OPI)



Spring semester: 2057 \$ (+33 \$ OPI)

Summer semester: 1452 \$ (+33 \$ OPI) (**6** weeks)

Summer program: (*intensive*) contact us for more details

Fees include:

Teaching hours, office hours and educational material.

Contacts

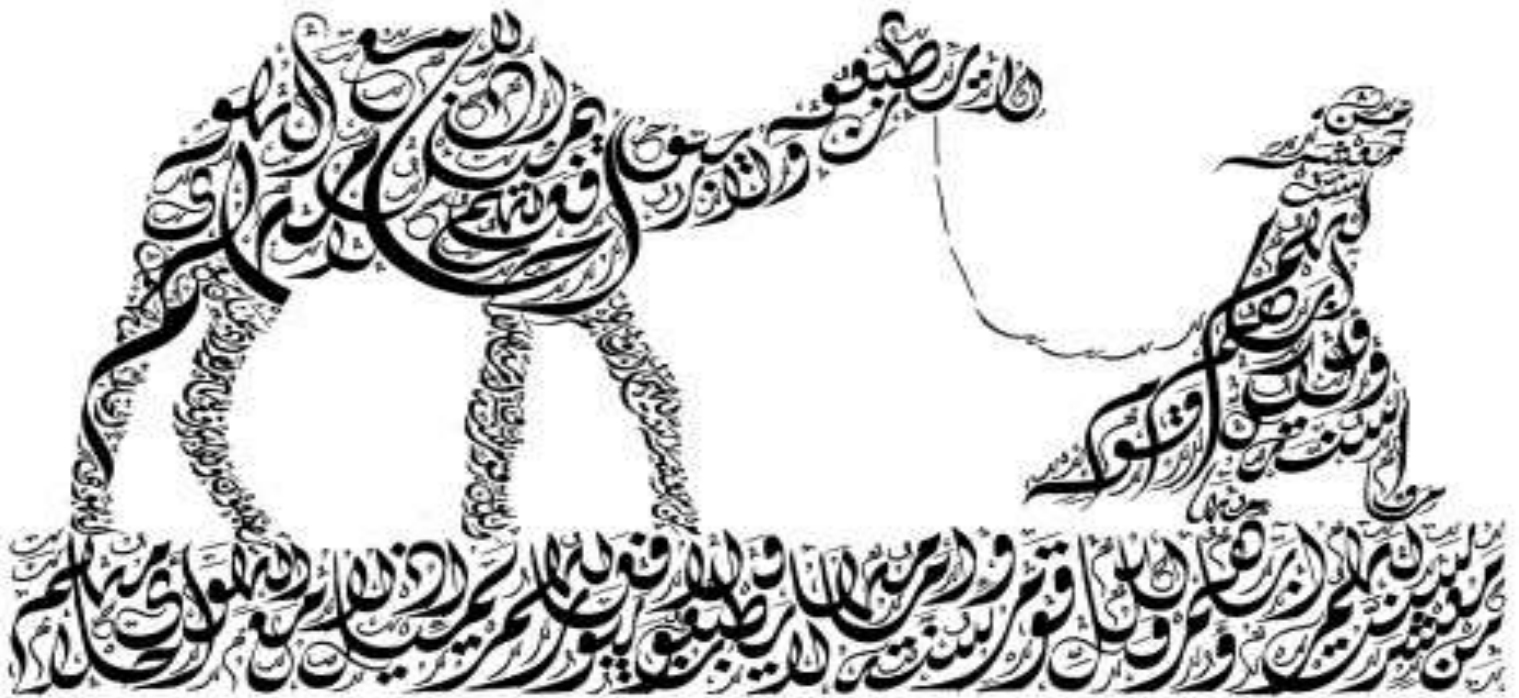
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“Noble we; our fathers wielded power bequeathed to them, dealt law to the nations, each tribe its lawgiver. All our lineage faultless, no light words our promises; not for us the vain thoughts, passions of common men.” Ode of Aqil Labīd ibn Rabī’ah

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