



ARABIC & CALLIGRAPHY CAIRO, EGYPT

PROGRAMS START EVERY MONDAY



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

This Arabic & Calligraphy program enables you to combine an Arabic course with handicraft lessons. This unique program offers exciting hands-on art classes, meaningful cultural immersion, and an enriching language program.

CITY AND COUNTRY INFO

Cairo the Triumphant City is the glorious capital of Egypt, the cradle of civilization and the beacon of religion. It is the capital city of Egypt, the largest city in the Middle East and Africa and lies at the center of all routes leading to, and from the three continents: Asia, Africa and Europe.

Cairo is an amazing city full of life and movement, and it is that way almost 24 hours every day, with the noisy honking of horns, children playing in the streets and merchants selling their wares and services. And here, the Egyptians are most at home in this powerful, modern and ancient city. Cairo also has wealth of great culture, including art galleries and music halls, such as the Cairo Opera House, being one of the largest cities in the world. It also provides some of the grandest accommodations and restaurants in the world, such as the Four Seasons and the Cairo Marriott. There is no better way to study Arabic than amongst those who speak it everyday. Nowhere else in the Middle East will you find such a warm and friendly people delighted by your efforts to communicate in their language.

As Egypt is predominately a Muslim country it is important to respect its customs - in particular its dress code when attending class.

HIGHLIGHTS OF PROGRAM

After participating in this Arabic & Calligraphy (Arabic Script) Program in Cairo, students will gain experience in foreign art programs, greatly improve foreign language abilities, gain personal growth and confidence both nationally and internationally, and combine travel, academics, and passion for art into one incredible life-changing experience.



What's Included

- **Tuition and Class Materials:** Classes broken down into two components – ECA (10hrs/wk) and MSA (10hrs/wk); classes held Mon-Thurs, 5 hours daily
- **Art Classes:** Calligraphy class held daily in the afternoon
- **Lodging:** Student residence, shared flat or hotel
- **Placement Testing**
- **1-2 Organized Activities Weekly***
- * Entrance fees, transportation, etc. may be at additional cost.
- **Access to E-mail**
- **Access to Multimedia Learning Center**
- **Certificate of Completion**
- **Pre-Departure Information**
- **Planning Guide**
- **Medical, Accident and Sickness Coverage ****
- ** See policy for definitions and exclusions.
- **Medivac Coverage**
- **Other Travel Coverage:** repatriation, baggage, personal effects, accidental death and dismemberment , etc.
- **24 Hour Emergency Multilingual Hotline:** call collect from anywhere in the world

FULL PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

STUDY PROGRAM

The study portion of the program includes 20 hours per week of Arabic classes. The program is broken down into two components - First there is the Egyptian Colloquial Arabic (spoken) or ECA component, and the second is the Modern Standard Arabic (reading and writing) MSA Groups are organized in a way that each will always consist of students possessing the same level of Arabic.

Foreign language classes are taught entirely in the foreign language (immersion method). Placement tests will be used to access the student's ability level. Class sizes vary considerably.

Our program is divided into 2 components – ESA and MSA, and each component consists of 8-9 levels. Upon completion students should be able to exchange opinions and hold real conversations with native speakers.

CALLIGRAPHY (ARABIC SCRIPT) LESSONS

The Calligraphy lessons are taught by a professional artist during the afternoons in Arabic. Classes are held twice a week after morning classes from 3:00-4:00pm. Learning to write in Arabic script is an incredibly artistic art form, and students will be able to take home all projects created.

LODGING OPTIONS

STUDENT RESIDENCE

The Residence has 9 bedrooms (7 single rooms & 2 double room/ studio). Each room is equipped with bed, wardrobe, desk & chair, armchair & side tables. The studio has a mini-fridge, more space & an extra storage room. A minimum stay of 4 weeks is required. For extras like electricity, water, etc. students will be charged about 15 US Dollars per week. A minimum stay of 4 weeks is required. Residents can meet & relax in two comfortable sitting areas, equipped with sofa sets, side tables, cabinets, TV with satellite connection & telephone (local connection).

The separate dining room provides the students with a round dining table & chairs, cabinet & sideboard. A WC is available in the entrance of the residence. The kitchen is equipped with fridge, stove, microwave, grill, washing machine, pots/ pans & dishes as well as kitchen towels. Smoking is not allowed in these places in respect to non-smoking residents; instead students can use the balcony.

SHARED FLAT

The flats are fully furnished, including TV, telephone, fridge, stove, washing machine and air condition. A telephone line can normally be used to connect computers or lab tops. Upon selecting a flat you will sign a contract with the landlord directly. When checking on flats, we focus especially on functionality, safety and hygiene and get the best & most reasonably priced accommodation. These apartments fulfill local quality standards. Some flats are in walking distance, others in about 5 to 10 minutes drive. The most common way to reach from your apartment to the school is by taxi as they are available everywhere and the fares are very low.

HOTEL

The hotels in Mohandseen are the nearest to our institute. The Dokki area is the closest to down town, but also in reasonable distance to the institute. Zamalek is the most famous area, located on an island in the Nile, also in easy reach. All hotel rooms do have private bathroom, TV and air conditioning.

PRICE RANGE

Arabic, calligraphy, and lodging for 4 weeks:

\$1,915

ELIGIBILITY AND GUIDELINES

U.S. citizens traveling with regular passports for tourism or business do not need a visa for a stay of 90 days or less. Those planning a longer visit must obtain a visa in advance of arrival.

Minimum age of 18 unless accompanied by an adult.

ACTIVITIES

We have also organized social activities. This gives you a chance to discuss and learn more through lectures, trying the delights of Egyptian cookery (and learning the secrets) as well as visiting many tourist attractions with a professional guide.

Past excursions include:

- Trip to Giza Pyramids, Sphinx & Solarboat
- Trip to Sakkara, Memphis & Dashour
- Islamic Cairo
- Coptic Cairo
- Felucca trip on the Nile

Activities and excursions are optional and at an additional cost.

HOW TO REGISTER

To register for the ARABIC & CALLIGRAPHY program in Cairo, either follow the link below or call 1-888-678-6211.

<http://www.nrcsa.com/reg/on-line/regform.html>

When you register, \$140 USD is due to secure your place in the program.