

ARABIC FLAGSHIP PROGRAM

JUNE 2022 - MAY 2023



The Arabic Flagship provides a rare opportunity for students to develop *superior* Arabic ability in the professional field of their choice. After taking the core Arabic classes on campus and participating in the third-year study abroad program in Jordan (see separate program flyer), students may apply to the advanced Flagship program. Upon returning to campus for winter semester, accepted students take debate (ARAB 411R) and writing (ARAB 495R) classes which are supplemented by a professional tutorial course (ARAB 490R) in the field of their choice (e.g., law, medicine, engineering, business, etc). Accepted students also take exams in January to qualify for the year-long capstone experience in Morocco, which begins in June 2022 and includes two components: intensive instruction at the Arab American Language Institute in Morocco, and an internship related to the student's professional goals.

DATES

Prerequisite Tutorials: Winter 2022

Morocco Capstone: June 2022 – May 2023

HOUSING

Students will stay with approved families in Meknes, Morocco who live close to the program's language institute. During the internship, students are responsible for arranging their own housing or by communicating with the internship employer for suggested locations. Internship employers are not required to provide housing, although some may do so.

COURSES

Students are only required to enroll in IAS 399R International Internship (3 credit hours first semester and 3 credit hours second semester). Students may take additional credits in consultation with the Arabic Flagship Center as long as they register through the ISP office

COST

For Flagship students only, some program costs are covered by the Arabic Flagship Program. Students are responsible for paying a \$35 application fee and BYU tuition to BYU. Accompanying spouses of Flagship students will need to pay \$780 for international health insurance coverage as well as tuition for one credit per semester.

TRAVEL

Students are responsible for purchasing their own airfare to and from the program sites. Airfare reservations must be made through BYU Travel. Students should contact a BYU Travel agent at:

BYU Travel
280 HRCB | (801) 422-6293 | travel@byu.edu

PREPARATION

Accepted students are required to participate in an international, preparation course (IAS 369R, 1 credit hour). This second- block evening course will be held during the spring semester prior to leaving for Morocco.

Accompanying spouses need to be credit-bearing participants of the program, with a minimum of one BYU credit hour per semester. Spouses will also need to apply online and take the preparation course.

All participants are required to show proof of complete COVID-19 vaccination (including booster) at least two weeks prior to departure.

FUNDING SOURCES

Students may receive Arabic Flagship Program funding to pay part of the Flagship program costs. Students are also encouraged to apply for Boren scholarships, Gilman, and other outside funding to cover all overseas program costs. Regular BYU tuition scholarships, Pell Grants, and Federal Insured Student Loans may be applied to the program. Academic departments and colleges may assist with scholarships and grants.

Private grants and scholarships outside of BYU may also assist (see kennedy.byu.edu/scholarships).

APPLICATION PROCESS

Students must be 18 years of age or older.

Complete the online application at kennedy.byu.edu/apply. The application requires a \$35 fee.

Students will be notified via e-mail of their acceptance into the program.

The first payment is due upon acceptance. Please refer to the 2022 Payment Information document for payment schedule (see kennedy.byu.edu/isp-forms/ISPPayments2022.pdf).

Application Deadline: **1 December 2021**

FACULTY

Kirk Belnap is the Arabic Flagship Center Director.

SCHEDULE AND TIME COMMITMENT

Parents are not to visit students during the official program time period. Students should not plan late arrivals to the host country, and they should plan to stay the entire length of the program.

INTERESTED STUDENTS SHOULD CONTACT

International Study Programs

101 HRCB | (801) 422-3686 | isp@byu.edu | kennedy.byu.edu/isp

Arabic Flagship Office

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PROGRAM ADJUSTMENTS

International Study Programs (ISP) reserves the right to cancel this program, revise its offerings, or make any adjustments to the preliminary cost. If it becomes necessary for ISP to cancel a program, all program payments made to BYU ISP will be refunded to the student's BYU financial account. ISP is the only office authorized to cancel any of its programs.