

Learning ARABIC in Jordan



Wadi Rum - Jordan



The International House World Organisation is committed to **excellence** in language teaching.

Our family of schools is truly **global**, and while each school has its own **unique** flavour, all are inspired by one common aim: the very **highest standards** in language education.

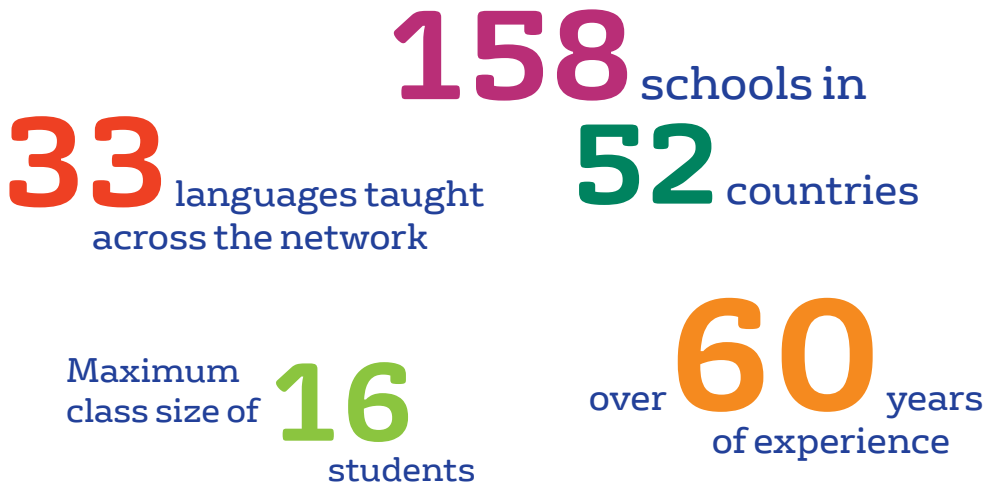
Each school is **independently owned** and managed and through affiliating to International House they agree to adhere to our Quality Management Standards. These define the standards we expect of our affiliated schools to ensure they are providing the **best service possible** to their clients. Adherence to these standards is audited regularly by IH trained inspectors.

WHY SHOULD YOU CHOOSE AN INTERNATIONAL HOUSE SCHOOL?

- All IH schools are inspected regularly by IHWO to ensure high quality standards.
- IH schools are individually owned and each director is dedicated to offering the best quality courses and services to you and your clients.
- Direct contact with the school ensures a prompt response to your enquiries.
- IH schools benefit from being part of a bigger organisation but also maintain their own individual characteristics, enabling them to tailor their courses to meet your specific needs.
- All IH teachers have a recognised teaching qualification and receive up-to-date training on a regular basis.
- Class sizes are kept small, and with a communicative and student focused approach students receive individual attention when required.

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English courses

AUSTRALIA	IH Brisbane IH Sydney IH Vancouver IH Whistler IH Dublin IH Galway
CANADA	IH Malta - Gozo IH Auckland
IRELAND	IH Cape Town IH Johannesburg IH Bangkok
MALTA	IH Aberdeen (Scotland) IH Belfast (Northern Ireland) IH Bristol IH InTuition Homestay English IH London IH Manchester IH Newcastle IH Boston IH Hollywood - L.A. IH New York IH San Diego
NEW ZEALAND	
SOUTH AFRICA	
THAILAND	
UNITED KINGDOM	
USA	

Arabic Courses

JORDAN	IH Amman
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Chinese Courses

CHINA	IH Xi'an
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French Courses

FRANCE	IH Nice
SWITZERLAND	IH Geneva

German Courses

GERMANY	IH Berlin IH Heidelberg
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Italian Courses

ITALY	IH Florence IH Lake Como IH Milan IH Palermo IH Rome
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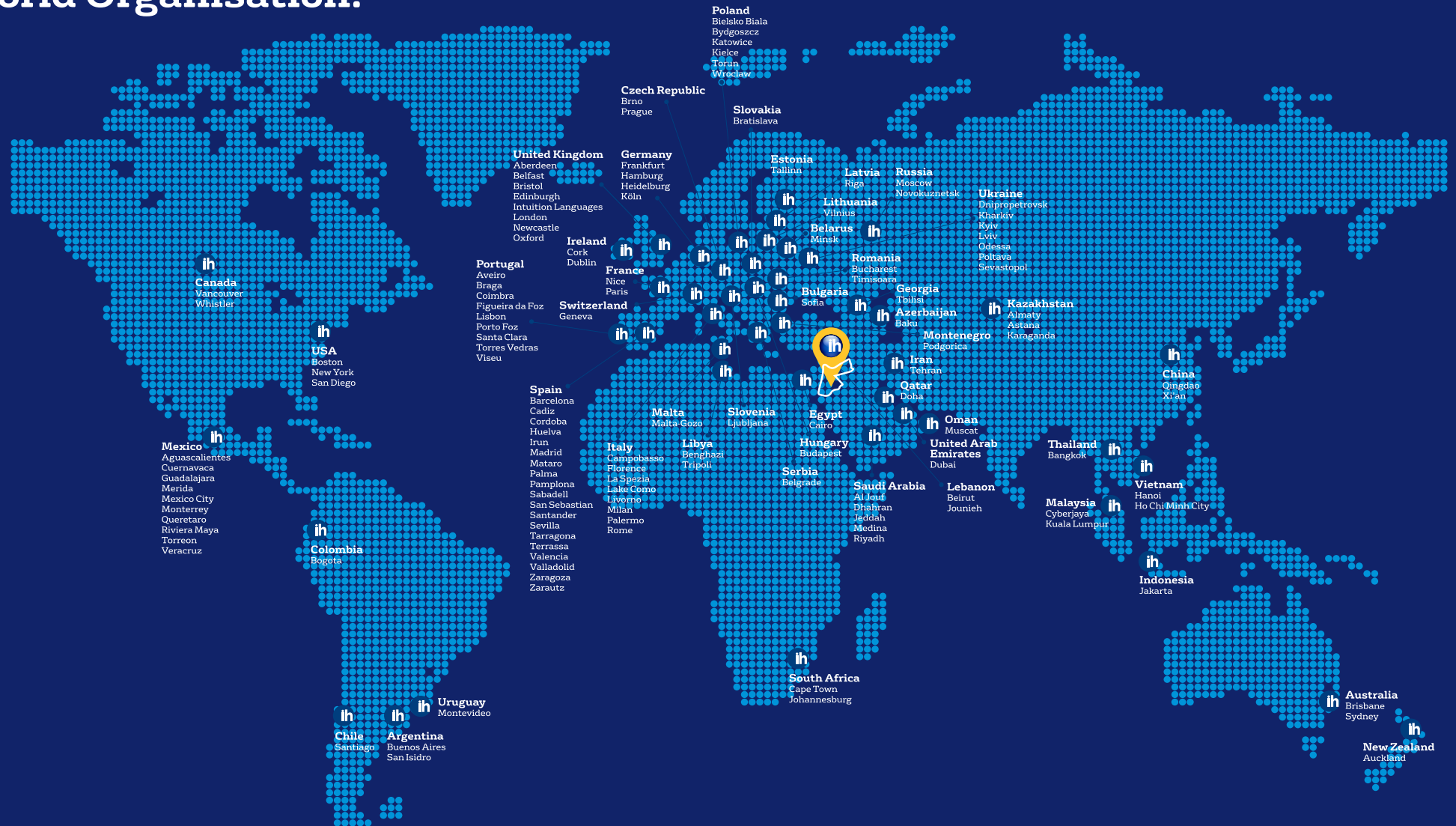
Spanish Courses

COLOMBIA	IH Bogota
MEXICO	IH Cuernavaca IH Guadalajara IH Mexico City IH Riviera Maya IH Queretaro
SPAIN	IH Barcelona IH Cadiz IH Cordoba IH Madrid IH Palma - Mallorca IH San Sebastian IH Santander IH Seville IH Tarragona IH Valencia IH Valladolid IH Montevideo

Special Courses

Junior Courses
Summer Camp for Juniors
+40 or +50 Courses
Internship Programmes

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Learning Arabic in Jordan

Learning Arabic in the Middle East is by far the best way to propel your Arabic language skills forward. Our eight years of experience have proved that attainment, immersion and flexibility are the principles which make learning Arabic at IH Amman (Alibaba Center) unlike any other program in Jordan. We strive to provide our students and professionals with the foundation, structure and resources necessary to meet their specific Arabic language goals.

The unique mix of old and new is what makes Amman one of the most gorgeous cities in the world, where ancient ruins are surrounded by modern towering buildings in a fantastic harmony presenting the historical development Amman has witnessed. It has been noticed by many of our students that Jordan is unique from its neighbors. Stability, moderation and openness allowed Jordan to remain peaceful during the Arab



“ IH Amman provided a life-changing experience that I still think about and miss every day. ”

Linnea Madsen- The United States

Spring when other Arab nations experienced tremendous fluctuations. As the capital of Jordan, Amman, is located in the heart of the Middle East, it has adopted many cultures while maintaining its own historical traditions. This mixing has formed a society which is accustomed to welcoming guests from diverse cultural, religious and societal backgrounds.

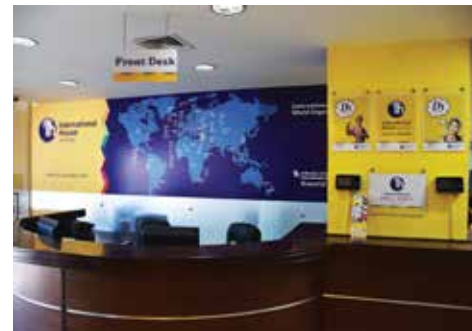
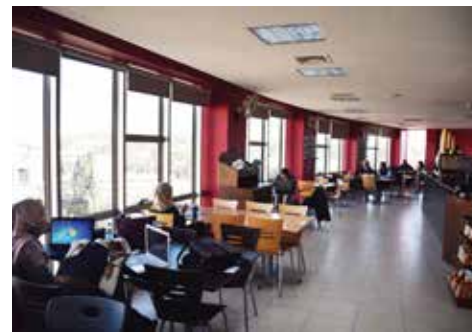
Our center capitalizes on this cultural reality and not only welcomes students from abroad but also offers classes to local Jordanians. Students from both international and local backgrounds benefit greatly from each other especially from after-class discussions, these relationships deepen the understanding of other cultures in ways that research and study do not. Friendships are often made in our cafeteria and study areas which last far longer than our student's stay in Amman.



Modern Campus

Ideal Location

IH Amman is located in Amman; the beautiful capital of Jordan. Conveniently; we are in the heart of the university area which has been developed to accommodate different students' lifestyles. Coffee shops, supermarkets and bookstores are all within a minute's walk of our center. Additionally as a result of our rapid growth, we have been able to expand our premises and to designate an entire floor to quiet study areas, wireless access, a café and lounge.



Unique Learning Environment

Our philosophy at IH Amman is to provide our students with the best language learning experience. This is done through various ways; like engaging them into discussions, offering interactive learning through multimedia, documentaries and multi-functional language lab. All together creates an environment which provides our students with a place to focus on and practice their Arabic in a natural and relaxed atmosphere.

“ I was very impressed with the facilities of the school, the method of teaching, the qualification of our teacher, and the over all atmosphere. ”

Peter Winkler- Germany

Effective Teaching

IH Amman prides itself on the quality of its teachers, its small class sizes and a learning environment fit to accommodate all types of Arabic language learners. Whether you are a student hoping to immerse yourself in an Arabic speaking environment or a mid-career professional with specific language goals, our mission is to help you achieve the level of attainment that you desire. Students are sure to find the tools necessary to meet their particular needs.

Qualified Instructors

One of the primary reasons that students continue to choose us is due to the high standards held by our instructors. Educators are selected through a multi-level application process which evaluates their experience and education, while undergoing observation and in-house instruction. Our instructors currently hold higher degrees and have extensive teaching experience.

Accredited Teaching Standards

Our center maintains a high standard of instruction, and adheres to the International Guidelines on the teaching of foreign languages. These guidelines, enhanced by our many years of experience have shown us the most effective methods of teaching Arabic. Moreover, the center has full accreditation from the Ministry of Education in Jordan to teach Arabic language to non-native speakers. Students will receive official transcripts indicating the content of the course studied so they can claim credit at their universities. Students are encouraged to insure that such credits are possible through their home universities.

Small Classes

Our classes are intentionally kept to a small size to ensure that each student has an ample amount of individualized assistance with our instructors. If our students wish to pursue Arabic more intensively, we offer a diverse private teaching staff which can be paired to specifically meet our students' requests.



“I found all my lessons suitably challenging, flexible & interactive.”
Jemma Grayburn- The United Kingdom

Arabic Language Courses

One of the leading reasons that students continue to choose IH Amman due to the various courses we offer. Whether it is Modern Standard or Colloquial Arabic, an intensive or extensive approach, you are sure to find the right classroom to fit your needs. Our group and Private courses each have their advantages depending on the specific goals of each student.

Modern Standard Arabic (Fus'ha)

Modern Standard Arabic is the official Arabic language. It can be written and spoken, and there is no difference between the written and the spoken form. In its written form, Modern Standard Arabic is the language of literature and the media in the Arab world. These courses include the four language skills (listening, speaking, reading and writing) and covered at varying degrees in all levels. The main textbooks used at the center are 'Al-Kitaab Series' (Alif Baa, Al-Kitaab I,II,III) supplemented by other materials and activities.

Colloquial Arabic (Ammiya)

There is no doubt that Colloquial Arabic (Ammiya) differs from the Modern Standard one in various aspects; expressions used and also the structure of sentences itself.

As a result, here at IH Amman Colloquial Arabic courses enjoys the same level of importance as the Modern Standard Arabic. The text used for these courses, "Yalla Ndardish", has been selected carefully to satisfy our students' needs. The focus of the book is one the colloquial Arabic spoken in the Levant region which includes Jordan, Palestine, Syria and Lebanon. The colloquial Arabic spoken in other Arab countries can also be offered, upon request.

Specialized Arabic Courses

At IH Amman, we believe that students' needs are highly important and so we do offer specialized Arabic Courses like; Media Arabic, Economics, and Business Communication.



“The text for the course was excellent, easy to understand, and logical. The facilities were very modern with many computers connected to the internet.”
Tyler Bristol - The United States



IH Amman offers Arabic courses in two settings; group courses and private courses.

Group Arabic Courses

Group courses are organized throughout the year. In principle, new group courses start on the first Sunday of every month. In a group course, a total of 20 contact hours of modern standard Arabic (MSA) is covered every week. Students may register for any duration ranging from one week only to a whole year. A student sits for a placement test on the first day of the course to determine the group course he or she should join. Three language levels of each group course are offered : the beginners level, the intermediate level, and the advanced level. The three levels are further subdivided into sub-levels. Depending on the level and the date of offering, groups are usually small, and they typically range from 2 to 8 students in one group.



Private Arabic Course

Our students can also benefit from our tailor made courses, especially if they are tending to have their course privately. Here the student can determine the course length and its start and end dates solely, so private courses are offered at any time of the year. The content of the private course will be decided by the instructor based on the language needs of the students. The course may focus on Modern Standard Arabic, Media Arabic, Business Arabic, Classical Arabic, Colloquial Arabic, etc.



Online Arabic Courses

The school offers students and professionals the opportunity to apply for online skype courses in Arabic Language. An online Skype course can be organized in a one-to-one setting only. Course content will be decided by the instructor based on the language needs of the student. The time of the online sessions shall be negotiated by the instructor and student before the first session. The time will take into consideration the time difference between Jordan and the country of residence of the student.

“ I had the best experience at IH Amman. The teacher was very helpful ” Josefin Terronez - Spain

Accommodation

IH Amman will help to coordinate housing, dining and any other needs that might occur while our guests are in Jordan. We offer several accommodation options to its students. Our staff is eager to assist with housing needs so that you may focus on your primary goal of attaining Arabic.

Students Residence

Students of all ages have the option of staying in all-males or all-females student residences located within a walking distance from the center. At the residence, each student will have his or her own studio (bedroom, bathroom, and kitchenette). Internet services are offered for free in most residences. No meals are served, however, students can cook in their kitchenette or eat at the restaurants located near the dorms.



Students House

A student house is a shared apartment having one or more bedrooms, a bathroom, a kitchen, and a living area. The bedrooms and facilities of the apartment are shared. Each bedroom may accommodate one or two persons. Internet connectivity is provided in most student houses. No meals are served, however, the neighborhood has many restaurants. This option is suitable for individual students, or a group of 2 or 3 students wishing to stay together.



“ I have learned a lot in Amman and I enjoyed my time there. I recommended the school to my friends and I hope to come back one day. ” Mirjam - Switzerland

Private Apartments

A private apartment has one bedroom, a bathroom, a kitchenette, a small living area, an air-condition or fan, TV, and a study desk. Internet connectivity is provided in most apartments, however, students may also buy cheap Internet USB sticks if Internet connectivity is weak or unavailable. No meals are served, however, the neighborhood has many restaurants.



Homestays

The center gives female students the chance to stay with local host families. A host family provides a bedroom, two meals, and of course, the cultural exchange experience. Families live in different parts of Amman, and the average Taxi drive to the center from most host families is in the range 20 – 15 minutes. Due to cultural issues, only a few families accept male students, and therefore, male students may apply for this option, however, availability at the time of application may not always be guaranteed.



Hotels

Modern -2star, -3star, and -4star hotels and located within a walking distance from IH Amman. Students may also apply for -5star hotels, however, these hotels are located 10 to 15 minutes by Taxi from the school .

About Jordan

Culture

Jordan can be regarded as a typically Arab country as its people are very warm, friendly and hospitable. Joining local people for a cup of tea or coffee can be a wonderful way to learn more about local culture. Allocating time to experience local culture will not be regrettable. Jordanians are at their best when hosting you at their home. Having a meal at the home of a Jordanian family in a small town or village in Jordan is an unforgettable experience of authentic Jordan.



Extracurricular Activities

Language Partner

We have a language-partner program, through which we introduce language students to local university students. This program is free of charge and gives foreign students the opportunity to socialize with local people and participate in the events taken place at the local community.

Calligraphy

IH Amman offers in-house calligraphy classes, in which you will explore basic elements of Islamic art, learn about the origin and styles of the specific art of Islamic calligraphy and create your own piece of artistic calligraphy.

Sand Bottle Art

Sand Bottle Art craft is a great activity packed with basic sand art skills, tips, and practical techniques and provides excellent coverage of the essential knowledge and key skills that provide the blueprint for effective sand art group workshops and craft sessions.

Things to do in Amman

Amman is one of the most enjoyable cities, as there are many activities to be done, which are considered to be affordable especially for students. We help you to arrange these activities such as climbing, horseback riding, karting, kite flying, cycling, bowling, among many other activities.

Weekend Trips

Weekend trips are arranged, depending on number of interested students, though which students get to know the different attractive locations in Jordan. IH Amman helps you to arrange activities from watching the sunrise over Wadi Rum from a small hot air balloon, having the opportunity to go skydiving at the Dead Sea or diving and snorkeling in the Red Sea.

Wonder of the World

Petra

The rose-red city of Petra, known for its unique historical and archeological ruins, is one of the Seven Wonders of the World. Today, Petra is regarded as a symbol of Jordan, as well as Jordan's most-visited tourist attraction, and it has seen many famous leaders and movie and music stars and personalities flock to it from all over the world.



Dead Sea

Replenish the body and rejuvenate the mind, with Jordan's Dead Sea! Cover yourself in the therapeutic natural mud, and float in the salt-rich sea amid spectacular landscape, flanked by the rolling hills of Jerusalem to the east and the mountains to the west.



Aqaba & Wadi Rum

The governorate of Aqaba includes the sparkling seaside resort of Aqaba, a lively seaside town with hotels, restaurants, and lots of sun! Don't miss out on water sports and scuba diving in the Red Sea.

While in the south of Jordan, make arrangements to visit the breathtaking Wadi Rum, a World Heritage Site. This is where Lawrence of Arabia, the film, was shot. Wadi Rum is known for its pristine expanses of sand dunes, authentic Bedouin lifestyle, camel trips, and rock climbing. A trip down south is worth your while, especially to Wadi Finan, located on the Aqaba-Dead Sea highway.

Jerash

48 Km north of Amman, is located, Jerash, one of the largest and most well preserved sites of Roman architecture in the world outside Italy. As it has been described as "A Rome away from Rome". This Amazing city is the second on the list of favorite destinations in Jordan. Literarily; you will be amazed not only by colonned streets, soaring hilltop temples, handsome theaters, plazas, baths, fountains, but also by the great history they present.

Souk Jara

SOUK JARA is a place where you and friends can enjoy the splendor of Jabal Amman while walking in one of its oldest streets, searching for unique merchandise that you cannot find in regular shops, listening to great music, and enjoying a cup of coffee.

While you walk through SOUK JARA you will pass by the retailers sitting behind their booths selling distinctive items which some are kept from the past. Souvenirs, handicrafts, antiques, paintings and handmade accessories will be available. Booths will be the ornaments decorating the old neighborhood creating an amusing shopping experience after which you can stop by the SOUK JARA Café.



International House Amman

Mission Statement

IH Amman delivers much needed training services and programs to those who want to join the labor market or are currently a part of it. We offer Languages and English language teacher training programs. These programs are taught by a multi-approach method which combines class curriculum and hands-on practice to thoroughly prepare our participants for the workplace.

Utilizing diversity is one of the main principles at the IH Amman. We believe in encouraging multiculturalism throughout our community and seek to contribute to an ever-opening and developing society.

Location

It is located the beautiful capital of Jordan. Conveniently, we are located in the heart of the campus and university area of Amman which has recently been developed to accommodate the student lifestyle. Coffee shops, supermarkets and bookstores are all within a minute's walk of our center.

Facilities

Whether you are a student, entrepreneur, or someone who's ready to learn, we offer you the best services and environment to help you achieve your goals.

Study Area

A large quiet and clean space designed specially to meet students' needs where they can find private and shared areas and a consolidated computer area with a high internet speed connectivity, copy center, cafeteria and a prayer room.

IH Amman's study area is more than just a place, it's a community where you can have new friends, enjoy your free times and make a professional network. Our study area is made to suit the studying environment from the light fittings, furniture, colors aspects.



Design & Copy Center

In order to provide comprehensive services for our students, we have a fully equipped bookshop that includes stationary, copy machines, high definition printers and plotters available for use alongside our graphic and design services. Our creative and qualified designers are committed to offering you their expertise, whatever your project may be.

Cafeteria

Our café offers a wide range of coffees, cold and warm refreshments, snacks, sandwiches with sides at affordable prices. Overlooking the University of Jordan's beautiful campus, the snack area provides an excellent view to enjoy while taking a break.

Our Teachers

We have rich team of teachers who are qualified and prepared to deal with non-native speakers.

We keen to appoint qualifications holders, so we have teachers who have finished their Bachelor, Masters and PhD.

Our teachers have a long experience in teaching Arabic as a second Language, they are also skilled in conducting dialogues and encouraging students to practice the language confidently."

International Recognition

The alumni of IH Amman are all over the world. The alumni come from diverse backgrounds; students from universities offering Arabic and Middle Eastern programs, or executive staff working in embassies and international organizations.

International Organizations

We constantly offer standard and tailored courses to the staff of foreign embassies and international organizations operating in Jordan such as the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), among many others.

Different Countries

Our students come from many countries: USA, Canada, Brazil, England, France, Spain, Italy, Sweden, Belgium, Finland, Russia, Australia, Japan, Korea, China, South Africa, Poland, Hungary, Ireland, Greece, Germany, Turkey, Armenia, Norway, Switzerland, Austria, India, Cyprus, Malta, Indonesia, Malaysia, Iran, Chile, Netherlands, Czech Republic, the Carrabin, among others.

International Universities

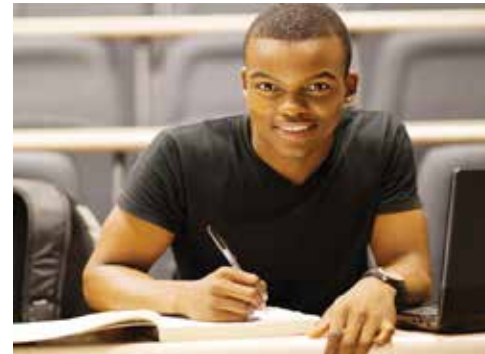
IH Amman has received students from many universities around the globe. Some of these universities include, Vanderbilt University, Iowa State University, Cornell University, George Washington, University of Michigan, Georgetown University, Texas A&M University, University of Granada in Spain, Sophia University and Keio University in Japan, Eötvös Loránd University in Hungary, Erlangen-Nürnberg in Germany, Università degli Studi di Firenze, Ecole polytechnique fédérale de Lausanne in Switzerland, etc.

Why Study at IH Amman?

Many students from different nationalities choose IH Amman language school each year.

Our students come from different backgrounds; have different reasons for learning and different learning needs.

They choose to study at IH Amman for a variety of reasons: our experience, our qualified and helpful teaching staff, our location in the heart of Amman, our extensive social program, our vibrant school with its first-class facilities.



Achieve Your Learning Goals

Whatever your reason for choosing us you will find our teaching approach focuses on your individual needs to help you achieve your goals.

We're proud of the vibrant, inclusive and multinational environment we offer at IH Amman.

The Best Language Learning Experience

We recognize that people always learn more when they're enjoying themselves.

Whether it's in the classroom or out and about on one of our daily social and cultural activities, student enjoyment is at the heart of the learning experience we offer.



“ What I liked most about the experience with IH Amman was the professionalism expressed by the staff and the teachers. ”

Rosario Santini - Italy





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