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LIBRARY IMPACT STATEMENT (New Course Proposal)
LIBRARIAN'S ASSESSMENT

Subject selectors will complete this form as requested, assessing library materials and collections as detailed below. Send one copy of the assessment to the faculty member who requested it. Send one copy of the assessment to the Collection Management Officer.

Course: ARB 312 Intensive Advanced Arabic II

Department, College: Department of Modern & Classical Languages & Literatures

Faculty Member: Alexander Magidow

Date returned to Faculty: February 25, 2014

Librarian Completing Assessment: Mona Anne Niedbala

Collection Management Officer: Joanna Burkhardt

This course is a follow-up of ARB 311. It is an advanced course in Arabic language and culture, meeting four hours per week. This course continues developing skills in both spoken colloquial and modern Standard Arabic in both audio and written modalities. This course includes listening, speaking, reading and writing activities in and outside of class. The course focuses on intermediate-high and begins to introduce advanced level tasks and topics, developing the ability to hold sustained, complex conversations and to understand more complex texts.

The novel that the students will read is *Men in the Sun*, by Ghassan Kanafani.

In order to work on the projects for this course, students will have access to the URI Library reference and circulating collections, to other HELIN library collections, and to InRhode collections. A copy of the textbook *Men in the Sun* will be available in the Library on reserve.

The Librarian considers that, with the assistance of the faculty in the Department of Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures, the Library can provide proper resources and services to support student work for this course.