



Arabic Language Instruction Flagship (ALIF) Application for Admission and Scholarship - Fall 2010

The ALIF program is competitive. We welcome all promising students regardless of background. The ALIF admissions committee will carefully review student ALIF applications, including teacher recommendations, and the ways in which the student will add to the depth and diversity of the ALIF program. ALIF is for students who have the ambition, enthusiasm, and dedication to reaching superior levels of Arabic proficiency with the goal of being able to use Arabic in their chosen profession. All students accepted into the program will benefit from the academic excellence and opportunity offered through this nationally recognized program. Students are required to enroll in designated Arabic courses, participate in extracurricular activities, create an ongoing language portfolio, and complete a year study abroad at Alexandria University in Egypt.

Personal Information

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____

Application Type: Freshman Transfer Current MSU student

Are you a Michigan resident? Yes No
Are you a US Citizen Permanent Resident

Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____ Gender: Male
(Month/day/year) Female

Home Phone: (____) _____ e-mail: _____@_____

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Ethnic Identity: (optional): The purpose of this question is to identify the ethnic background of applicants. You are encouraged to supply this information but may decline without prejudicing your application in any way.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> White/Caucasian Non Hispanic | <input type="checkbox"/> Black African American/Non Hispanic |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chicano/Mexican | <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic/Latino |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asian/ Pacific Islander (Asian American) | <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian/Alaskan Native |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | |

Academic Information

High School: _____ City _____ Graduation Date: _____

Test Scores: MSU GPA, High School GPA, and SAT or ACT scores required.

MSU GPA if applicable		HS GPA		SAT Reading/Verbal			SAT Math			SAT Writing			ACT Composite	

Have you applied to MSU? Yes PIN: A _____
No

Have you been admitted to MSU? Yes Date: _____
No

For Transfer Students:

Transcript Attached: Yes No

Name of college/university Dates attended Credits earned

In fall 2008, your class standing will be: Sophomore Junior

Teacher Recommendations

Please give the names of teachers from whom you requested recommendations:

1. _____ Subject Area: _____
2. _____ Subject Area: _____

Current Area of Academic Interests: (major, if known)

Past Arabic Language Education (skip this page if you have no previous experience)

1. List all the Arabic language courses you have taken:

_____	_____	_____	_____
Course Title	School/Institution	Date	Textbook Used
_____	_____	_____	_____
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2. Do you speak Arabic at home? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, which dialect? _____

3. Which other Arabic dialect (s) can you speak and/or understand?

4. How do you rate your command of Modern Standard Arabic? (put a check \checkmark in the appropriate space)

Speaking	_____	_____	_____	_____
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
Reading:	_____	_____	_____	_____
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
Writing:	_____	_____	_____	_____
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
Listening:	_____	_____	_____	_____
	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor

Required Application Attachments:

- 1. Student activity form**
- 2. Application Essay:** Prepare a typed, double-spaced essay, written in English, in response to the questions below. Include this essay in your application materials: (approximately 2 pages)
Explain how you developed your current Arabic skills, or your current interest in Arabic language. Why do you want to study Arabic, and how does it relate to professional and personal goals? How you think the Michigan State University ALIF program will help you achieve these goals?
- 3. Recommendation forms and letters of recommendation from two teachers. (submitted with application materials in a sealed envelope, signed by the teacher)**
- 4. Most recent high school or college/university transcripts**

To help ALIF locate your application materials, check the appropriate boxes:

	Enclosed	Mailed Separately	For Office Use only
Student activity form	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Application essay	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Teacher recommendation form + letter 1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
High school/university transcripts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

**Students must be admitted to MSU and submitted ALIF Application
by April 15, 2010**

Mail the ALIF application and all materials to:

ALIF Program
Department of Linguistics and Germanic, Slavic, Asian & African Languages
A614 Wells Hall
East Lansing, MI 48824



Arabic Language Instruction Flagship (ALIF) Student Activity Form

Applicant's Name: _____

Please summarize your organized extracurricular and community activities, including academic clubs, sports, music, art, theater, journalism, scouting, or other significant activities. Be specific and succinct. Include only those you feel are most relevant to your admission to the ALIF Program.

Activity	Involvement	Positions held, responsibilities and accomplishments
	Hours per week: Weeks per year:	

Work/Volunteer Experience

Employer and job title	Duties	Dates of employment/hours per week

Additional Comments:
