Courses

EGYPT 100A Elementary Egyptian 5 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2017, Fall 2015
An introductory course intended for students who have never before studied Middle Egyptian, the stage of the ancient Egyptian language used as a written language from ca. 2100 BCE until 300 CE. This course introduces the principles of the hieroglyphic writing system, and the grammar, syntax, and vocabulary necessary to begin reading, transliterating, and translating Middle Egyptian texts. Basic grammar covered includes non-verbal sentences and infinitival forms.

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: None
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Egyptian/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

EGYPT 100B Elementary Egyptian 5 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2020, Spring 2018, Spring 2016
This course builds upon material introduced in Egyptian 100A, continuing the study of the hieroglyphic writing system of Middle Egyptian, the stage of the ancient language used in its written form from ca. 2100 BCE until 300 CE. Basic grammar covered includes all forms of verbal sentences and clauses. After completing the sequence Egyptian 100A and Egyptian 100B, the student will have the foundation necessary to read, transliterate, and translate Middle Egyptian texts. EGYPTIAN 100A and EGYPTIAN 100 B are required prerequisites for any of the other ancient Egyptian language courses offered by the Near Eastern Studies Department.

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: EGYPTIAN 100A or with the consent of the instructor
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Egyptian/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

EGYPT 101A Intermediate Egyptian 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2018, Fall 2016, Fall 2014
Readings in Middle Egyptian hieroglyphic and hieratic texts.

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 100A-100B
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Egyptian/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
EGYPT 101B Intermediate Egyptian 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2017, Spring 2015
Readings in Middle Egyptian hieroglyphic and hieratic texts.
Intermediate Egyptian: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 100A-100B
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Egyptian/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

EGYPT 102A Elementary Coptic 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2002, Fall 2000, Spring 1997
Introduction to Sahidic dialect.
Elementary Coptic: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: German and Greek recommended
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Egyptian/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

EGYPT 102B Elementary Coptic 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2003, Spring 2001
Readings in Sahidic, other dialects.
Elementary Coptic: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: German and Greek recommended
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Egyptian/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

EGYPT H195 Senior Honors 2 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Prior to 2007
Directed study centered upon preparation of an honors thesis.
Senior Honors: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Limited to senior honors candidates
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit up to a total of 4 units.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Egyptian/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.

EGYPT 198 Directed Group Study for Upper Division Students 1 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Prior to 2007
Instruction in areas not covered by regularly scheduled courses.
Directed Group Study for Upper Division Students: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1-4 hours of directed group study per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Egyptian/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.
Directed Group Study for Upper Division Students: Read Less [-]
EGYPT 199 Supervised Independent Study and Research 1 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Prior to 2007
Enrollment is restricted by regulations shown in the .
Supervised Independent Study and Research: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Egyptian/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.

Supervised Independent Study and Research: Read Less [-]

EGYPT 201A Middle Egyptian Texts 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2007, Fall 2005, Spring 2000
The course will be based on the reading, translation, grammatical and philological analysis of Middle Egyptian literary and magical texts. Readings include spells of the ancient Egyptian funerary corpora of the Coffin Texts and Book of the Dead, texts from stelae of the Middle Kingdom, the Middle Kingdom story of Sinuhe.
Middle Egyptian Texts: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Concurrent or previous enrollment in EGYPT 201A or consent of instructor

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Egyptian/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Lucarelli
Middle Egyptian Texts: Read Less [-]

EGYPT 201B Middle Egyptian Texts 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2021, Fall 2019, Fall 2016
The course is designed as a continuation of Egypt 201A and will be based on the same type of reading, translation, grammatical and philological analysis of the Middle Egyptian literary and magical texts of 201A but requiring a deeper knowledge of the grammar and translation techniques. Readings will include magical spells for daily and funerary use, texts from stelae, the story of the “Eloquent Peasant” and extracts from the ancient Egyptian “Wisdom Literature.”
Middle Egyptian Texts: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Concurrent or previous enrollment in EGYPT 201A or consent of instructor

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Egyptian/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Lucarelli
Middle Egyptian Texts: Read Less [-]

EGYPT 202 Hieratic 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2020
Hieratic is the cursive form of the ancient Egyptian hieroglyphic script, which was mostly written on papyrus and ostraca (potsherds used as a writing surface) with a brush and ink. This course introduces the Hieratic writing system used in Middle and Late Egyptian texts. The course will include reading, transcription, and translation of selected texts written in Hieratic, dating from the Old Kingdom to the Ramesside Period.
Hieratic: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Concurrent or previous enrollment in Middle Egyptian or EGYPTIAN 100A and EGYPTIAN 100B; and EGYPTIAN 200A and EGYPTIAN 200B or Late Egyptian (EGYPTIAN 203) or with the consent of the instructor

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 4 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Egyptian/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Hieratic: Read Less [-]
EGYPT 202B Egyptian Texts 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017
Philological analysis of texts of a single genre and period.
Egyptian Texts: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Concurrent or previous enrollment in 201A-201B or consent of instructor
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Egyptian/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.

Egyptian Texts: Read Less [-]

EGYPT 203 Late Egyptian 4 Units
Terms offered: Prior to 2007
This course is designed to introduce students to the study of Late Egyptian, a later stage of the ancient Egyptian language used in the New Kingdom from ca 1500 to 1000 BCE. This course will cover Late Egyptian grammar through reading and translating literary texts written in both hieroglyphic and Hieratic scripts, in particular, the main literary tales of the "Two Brothers" and "Wenamun" will be examined.
Late Egyptian: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Concurrent or previous enrollment in Middle Egyptian or EGYPTIAN 100A and EGYPTIAN 100B; and EGYPTIAN 200A and EGYPTIAN 200B or with the consent of the instructor

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 4 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Egyptian/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.

Late Egyptian: Read Less [-]

EGYPT 204A Introduction to Demotic 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2020
Demotic (derived from the Greek word demos, meaning "people") is the spoken and written language used by the people of Egypt during the Saite, Persian, Ptolemaic, and Roman periods (664 BCE–452 CE). Knowledge of this stage and script of the ancient language is essential for a proper understanding of Egypt during the later periods. After an introduction to the script and grammar (including non-verbal sentences and simple verbal forms), we will read and translate texts chosen from a wide variety of sources: mummy labels, inscribed votive stelae, liturgical, funerary, and magical texts, and oracles.
Introduction to Demotic: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: A year-long university-level course in one of the stages of the ancient Egyptian language (Middle Egyptian, Late Egyptian, Old Egyptian, or Coptic), or the permission of the instructor

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Egyptian/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.

Introduction to Demotic: Read Less [-]

EGYPT 204B Demotic Texts 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2021
This course builds upon material introduced in Egyptian 204A, continuing the study of Demotic (derived from the Greek word demos, meaning "people"), the stage of the ancient Egyptian language used by the people of Egypt during the Saite, Persian, Ptolemaic, and Roman periods (664 BCE-452 CE). Knowledge of this stage and script of the ancient language is essential for a proper understanding of Egypt during the later periods. Grammar covered this semester includes all forms of verbal sentences and clauses. We will read from a variety of genres, including oaths, marriage contracts, and literary, funerary, magical, and mythological texts. Students will obtain skills to transliterate, translate, and grammatically analyze Demotic texts.
Demotic Texts: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Egyptian 204A or Consent of Instructor
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Egyptian/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.

Demotic Texts: Read Less [-]
EGYPT 205 Ptolemaic Egyptian Hieroglyphic Texts 4 Units

Terms offered: Prior to 2007

This course introduces the hieroglyphic texts of the temples of the Ptolemaic and Roman periods—a time when an increase in the number of signs, and the values that they could hold, widened the scribal playing field for creating expressions that function on multiple aural, visual, and thematic levels. In addition to studying the language, grammar, content, and purpose of the texts, we will examine individual scribal techniques used to foreground words and phrases singled out for emphasis, showing how they create interconnections between texts, reliefs, and architecture in the three-dimensional space of the temple.

Ptolemaic Egyptian Hieroglyphic Texts: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Egyptian 100A and Egyptian 100B or Consent of Instructor

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Egyptian/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

Ptolemaic Egyptian Hieroglyphic Texts: Read Less [-]