(1) **English Language Courses**

**Elementary English (ENG097)**

ENG097 is a non-credit- course that runs for one semester (or term) of 15 weeks. It is required to be taken by students of MIS, CS, and ACC Bachelor Programmes, whose achievement in the Oxford Online Placement Test (OOPT) is below 34. This remedial course is followed by another remedial course of English. ENG097 is a foundation course for beginner learners. It is intended for students who have already learned little English, but who do not yet feel confident enough to move on.

**Pre-Intermediate English (ENG098)**

ENG098 is a non-credit-hour course that runs for one semester (or term) of 15 weeks. It is the second of English remedial courses which some ASU incoming students (MIS, CS, ACC Bachelor Programmes) are required to take during their first year of study on account of either their scores in the Oxford Online Placement Test or because they have already successfully studied ENG097.

It is a pre- intermediate course that provides practice in the four language skills: listening, speaking, reading and writing as well as a review of grammatical structures and vocabulary .It aims at exposing students to a wide variety of reading passages. The course is intended to upgrade students' overall proficiency in the English Language in order to be able to pursue more advanced English ASU courses (i.e., ENG111 and ENG112), and to eventually move to their specialized programmers’ courses.

**Intermediate English (ENG111)**

ENG 111 is a three-credit-hour course that runs for one semester (or term) of 15 weeks. It is the first of two credit English courses which ASU incoming students enrolled in MIS, CS, and ACC bachelor Programmes are required to take during their first year of study.

It aims at exposing students to a wide variety of reading passages, providing them with adequate practice in scanning to find information from texts, guessing meaning from context, and critical thinking. Grammatical structures are introduced in context with questions that encourage students to work out the rules for themselves. The vocabulary syllabus concentrates on learning new words in lexical sets.

ENG 111 is a skill-building course, which enables students to speak with ease and confidence, communicate with different types of people, discuss academic, social and professional matters, listen to news in English, read newspapers, magazines and references, write personal and business letters, write reports and articles, etc.
**Upper-Intermediate English (ENG112)**

**ENG 112** is a three-credit-hour course that runs for one semester (or term) of 15 weeks. It is the second of two credit English language courses which all incoming students are required to take during their study at the University. The course is skill-building which enables students to speak with ease and confidence, communicate with different types of people, discuss academic, social and professional matters, listen to news in English, watch TV programmes, read newspapers, magazines and references, write personal and business letters, write reports and articles, etc. It fulfills a high level of proficiency in English as a prerequisite for academic, social and professional success.

**Remedial English (099)**

**Remedial English (099)** course is intended for low-intermediate freshmen students the medium of instruction of which is Arabic. It is a non-credit-hour course that runs for one semester (or term) of 15 weeks. It is for some students who, on the basis of their score in Oxford Online Placement Test (OOOPT), are required to take during their first year of study.

It is an intensive course that is meant to upgrade students' overall proficiency in the English Language in order for them to be able to pursue more advanced English ASU courses (i.e., English 1-102101 & English 2-102102), and to eventually move to specialized ASU-based courses. The course presents English grammar through lively activities where students practice the new structures in a variety of contexts to help them master these structures.

**English Language (1) (102101)**

**English Language (1)** is a required University course for all bachelor students the medium of instruction of which is Arabic. It is designed to meet the needs of general English skills. Therefore, the course is integrative to the basic language skills. However, the course concentrates on the grammatical structures of simple English sentences and the vocabulary students need in their studies to follow lectures and to read references. The course allocates a place for the skills needed in everyday English too.

**English Language 2 (102102)**

**English 2** is a required University course for all ASU bachelor programmes the medium of instruction of which is Arabic. It is a follow up to English 1. It is integrative to the 4 language skills in the frame of general English. The course takes students from pre-intermediate to upper Intermediate level and provides practice for English language structures and communication skills. Most importantly, the students are trained in the reading, writing, listening, and speaking skills needed to communicate in the professional and personal sides of modern life and be able to develop and present their own ideas in fairly good English.
(2) **Other University Requirement Courses**

**Arabic Language (ARAB101)**

This course deals with issues related to the Arabic grammar and literature. It studies some basic linguistic issues in the vocabulary, morphology, syntax, and semantics of Arabic. It also studies stylistic and literary features through analyzing and discussing some selected texts from the holy Quran and other literary masterpieces.

**Culture & History of Bahrain (HBH101)**

This course deals with the history of Bahrain from 1500-1800. It studies the stages of the Portuguese invasion of this part of the world and the international power struggle that erupted after the invasion. It also deals with the ruling of Al-Utuub Tribe of Bahrain and the reign of Al Khalifa thereafter.

**Developing Thinking & Communication Skills (LFS 102)**

This is a university requirement course. It introduces students to the concept of thinking, its characteristics, its forms and its importance in the educational process. The course deals also with the application of modern strategies and theories interpreted for different kinds of thinking.

The course deals in detail with aspects of communication skills with the aim of improving the students’ skills overcoming communicative barriers when communicating in various situations and for various purposes.

**Life Skills (LFS101)**

This course studies the skills usually associated with managing and living a better quality of life. These skills help us to accomplish our ambitions and live to our full potential. In general, they are behaviors used appropriately and responsibly in the management of personal affairs. These skills vary greatly depending on the students’ social norms and their community expectations.

**Islamic Ethics (ISL102)**

This course is an elective university requirement. It stresses the importance of ethics in Islam and the value Islam gives to ethics in general and work ethics in particular. The course draws general comparisons of the treatment of ethics along different ages in the history of Islam and offers insights to the possible tools to enhance work ethics according to Islam.
**Man & Environment (MAN101)**

This course deals with issues related to the relationship between human beings and the environment they live in with special attention to the environment of the students of the University. The course draws the students' attention to the importance of environment and the necessity to regulate our behavior so that not to harm it.

**Introduction to Library Sciences (LIB101)**

This course introduces students to the library sciences. It gives a general historical review of the development of libraries through the ages and sheds light on the importance of libraries in the development of knowledge and sciences. The course reviews the services that library introduce to those who may want to benefit from.

**Introduction to Sociology (SOC101)**

The course introduces the students to Sociology; the scientific study of society. Thus, the course emphasizes social interaction processes and their impact on the members of any society. The course provides students with the knowledge of the main social phenomena and the components of social structure.

**Islamic Culture (ISL101)**

The course deals with the concept of “Culture” in general and the concept of “Islamic Culture” in particular and other related concepts. Thus, the course studies the characteristics of the Islamic culture, its sources, fields of study, and its role in the creation of the “Islamic character”. It also deals with the so-called “cultural invasion”, its types, its methodologies, and other related issues.

**Islam & Contemporary Issues (702101)**

This course deals with the way Islam deals with contemporary issues such as the phenomenon of fanaticism, determination of the Islamic calendar, alms tax (Zakat) on money and jewelry, democracy and government system, and other scientific and cultural developments.