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To: Modesto Junior College Curriculum Committee  
Re: Request for New "ARBC" Prefix

The division of Literature and Language Arts would like to request the prefix "ARBC" (Arabic) be created for use with new Arabic language courses we are creating. Due to the large and growing Middle Eastern population in our geographical area, the Foreign Languages department would like to explore offering Introductory and Intermediate Arabic courses. We believe this might be an area of growth. Furthermore, throughout the state, Arabic I and Arabic II are in the ASSIST system for 35 other community colleges; 12 Cal States, including our sister transfer-institution Stan State; and in 6 UCs, so these courses will articulate in Areas 6A and C2.

This request has been discussed and approved by members of the Spanish department. As Michael Akard speaks Arabic and has taken Arabic courses, he has been approved to help review existing course outlines in the CCC system and help out with this project.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Jillian Daly  
Dean of Literature and Language Arts/Library & Learning Resources

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Michael Akard  
English Language Professor