Foreign Language - Persian (PER)

PER 101 Elementary Persian I (3 credit hours)
This is the first Persian course in the sequence and is intended for students with little or no knowledge of the language. The course uses an integrated-skills approach (speaking, listening, reading, writing and culture) and a 300-word vocabulary level.

C: PER 103
Typically offered in Fall only

PER 102 Elementary Persian II (3 credit hours)
In this second course of Persian, students learn how to talk about their daily routines and spare time activities, likes and dislikes, and build a more complex language form. They are expected to ask and answer questions on the same topics as well. Throughout the course they learn common phrases and cultural perspectives which help them create a more natural interaction with speakers of Persian. Persian-Farsi is the language base, with Tehran accent. This is an 800-word level class and ACTFL level of ILR 0+.

P: PER 101/103; C: PER 104
Typically offered in Spring only

PER 103 Elementary Persian I Conversation (1 credit hours)
Required conversational and cultural practice for PER 101. Students will gain practice at using their speaking skills in a variety of basic social situations.

C: PER 101
Typically offered in Fall only

PER 104 Elementary Persian II Conversation (1 credit hours)
Required conversational and cultural practice for PER 102. Students will develop their speaking skills in a variety of basic social situations.

C: PER 102; P: PER 101/103
Typically offered in Spring only

PER 201 Intermediate Persian I (3 credit hours)
Persian 201 is the third semester (beginning of second-year) in Persian. It deepens the students’ familiarity with the syntax of the literary language of Persia and expands their command of the spoken vernacular of Iran through exposure to more varied and sophisticated communicational contexts. An intermediate textbook with grammar explanations in English is supplemented with tapes and videos of authentic language and culture used in situational communication.

Prerequisite: Elementary Persian 102, or instructor’s permission
Typically offered in Fall only

PER 202 Intermediate Persian II (3 credit hours)
Persian 202 is the fourth semester, which completes the intermediate level (second year) in Persian. It further deepens the students’ familiarity with the syntax of the literary language of Persia and expands their command of the spoken vernacular of Iran through exposure to more varied and sophisticated communicational contexts. It deals principally with the acquisition of the conversation register of the language, which differs considerably from the formal written style. An intermediate textbook with grammar explanations in English is supplemented with tapes and videos of authentic language and culture used in situational communication.

Prerequisite: Elementary Persian (PER 201) or instructor’s permission
GEP Global Knowledge
Typically offered in Spring only