PRE-COURSE ASSIGNMENTS
Students taking the course for credit must complete three assignments before arriving for class on August 3, 2014.


2. Memorize the word list (see syllabus).

3. Memorize short verses of the Qur’an (see syllabus).

Course Instructor
Sami Shamma is an experienced and dynamic teacher of Qur’anic Arabic. In addition to being an adjunct faculty of Qur’anic Arabic at Hartford Seminary, he teaches Arabic at Trinity College and also in the Connecticut prison system.

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By spending three weeks in intensive language study, you will learn to read and understand the Qur’an in Arabic. All Muslims and people of other faiths wishing to truly understand Islam must be able to read the Qur’an in the language in which it was revealed. Studying rigorously with other serious students and an instructor committed to helping you master the language and appreciate the beauty of this sacred text will change your life.

COURSE OVERVIEW AND OBJECTIVES
This course is designed for students who can read the Qur’anic script. The course will improve your skills in reading, writing and comprehension as well as build your Qur’anic vocabulary and understanding of Arabic grammar.

In this course, each student will significantly improve his/her facility with Arabic including:

- Comprehension of the fundamentals of Arabic grammar
- Memorization of over 60% of the total vocabulary used in the Qur’an
- The ability to navigate the Qur’an in Arabic with the help of a dictionary and grammar charts
- Increased appreciation for the eloquence and beauty of the Qur’an

ELIGIBILITY
Students must be able to read the Qur’anic script to enroll. Each student must contact the professor prior to registration to establish his/her eligibility to join the course.

SYLLABUS
The full syllabus for this course may be viewed on Hartford Seminary’s website at: hartsem.edu/courses/engaging-the-quranic-through-arabic

CLASS SCHEDULE AND METHOD
This class will meet daily from Sunday to Thursday August 3—21. The sessions will run from 1:00 pm-7:00 pm. Every session will consist of introductions to new material as well as reviewing and practicing. Homework will be assigned each day and will be due at the start of the next class session. In addition to completing the homework assignments, students are expected to spend time practicing and memorizing. Students must actively participate in all class activities and complete quizzes and exams as scheduled.

REGISTRATION OPTIONS
This course may be taken for six graduate level semester credits by students holding a bachelor’s degree or higher or it may be audited. The cost for students wishing to receive six credits is $3780. The audit rate for this course is $1150. (A special audit rate of $770 for students in select categories may be available). See the Summer Session registration form on the Seminary website for complete tuition and payment information.

HOUSING
On-campus housing may be available. Please contact Roseann Lezak at rlezak@hartsem.edu for a housing application.