

PERSIAN LANGUAGE COURSES IN DENMARK

In Denmark two types of courses in Persian language are offered: university level courses and evening classes.

University courses

Persian Language and Culture is taught at the University of Copenhagen. Two courses, which belong to the BA study in Persian Language and Culture, are offered separately as a part of the Åbent Universitet range of courses. These courses are:

- ***Persisk Propædeutik*** (Persian language course for beginners). This course is mandatory for all BA students of Persian Language and Culture at the University of Copenhagen and is an introduction to the Persian alphabet, pronunciation and grammar. The course is a two-semester course and enables the student to read and understand Persian on a basic level and introduces the student to the spoken Persian language as well. This course is offered as a web-based course, which means that it to some extent is based on studying at home rather than weekly classes. The student may take the *Persisk Propædeutik* exam at the end of the course, which gives admittance to further studies at the Persian Department. For more information, please contact: www.hum.ku.dk/aabent.
- ***Persisk Mundtlig Sprogfærdighed*** (Spoken Persian language course). This course is a continuation of the *Persisk Propædeutik* course (and requires that the student has followed the latter). It focuses, however, on the ability to express oneself orally and therefore aims at training the spoken Persian language. The course material consists of written texts as well as audio samples and is centred on everyday expressions and situations which one may encounter among Iranians in Iran and abroad. This course is also offered as a web-based course at Åbent Universitet. For more information, please contact: www.hum.ku.dk/aabent.

Evening classes

Persian is taught by several educational organisations which offer language courses for adults. The programmes are usually published and distributed at the beginning of autumn and spring seasons and may be found at local libraries.

- ***Studieskolen i København*** is one of the institutions that offer Persian language courses. The courses are, depending on demand, offered at various levels and one-to-one training is available as well. Beginner's courses normally start in September. The Persian language courses at Studieskolen aim at providing the student with skills to manage everyday situations in Persian and are thus less focused on written Persian language. In the spring ۲۰۰۵, Studieskolen launches a completely new intensive course, "Persian field trip". This course takes place in Iran and allows the students to get acquainted with Persian culture and society while practising language skills. If the course proves to be a success, it will be followed up by similar courses. For further information, please contact consultant Christoph Schepers at cls@studieskolen.dk, telephone ۳۳ ۱۸ ۷۹ ۲۶ or visit www.studieskolen.dk.