AMHARIC
Linguistics 19 Syllabus

PURPOSE: Speaking conversational Amharic

MATERIAL ASSIGNED: AMH.01
U.S. Foreign Service Institute, *Amharic Basic Course,* Units 1-60 (*ABC*).
LL Book Call No.: **PJ/9213/U5/v.1-2**

RESTRICTION: None.

MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF CREDIT AVAILABLE: 6 units

METHOD OF STUDY:
At the beginning of the course, listen twice through *ABC* to familiarize yourself with the pronunciation of Amharic.   **For each lesson,**
1. *Listen to the entire dialogue* while following the English translation in the book to tell you what the foreign sentences mean.
2. *Listen again* while following the foreign transcription to help you with details in the pronunciation.
3. *Listen again with the book half-closed—*look inside only when you need reminders about the meaning or pronunciation.
4. *Replay individual phrases and* **say them aloud** without referring to the book if possible. Imitate the voice on tape as closely as you can. Replay and repeat each phrase, then add phrases together to build a full sentence. Continue to *build phrases into sentences* in this way, until you can say the complete sentence easily and in unison with the tape while understanding what you are saying. Use the book only for occasional reference.
5. *Say the sentences* of the dialogue along with the speaker on the tape again and again until you can produce the foreign sentences easily and quickly given only the English ones as cues.

EXAMINATION:
Supervisor says the English version of sentences chosen at random from conversations in the assigned material; the student says the Amharic equivalent. The grade is based on both fluency and accuracy. All exams are 30 minutes. Final is not cumulative.

ASSIGNMENT:

Amharic Basic Course (ABC)	
Block 1: *ABC* Units 1-12	Block 4: *ABC* Units 35-44
Block 2: *ABC* Units 13-23	Block 5: *ABC* Units 45-52
Block 3: *ABC* Units 24-34	Block 6: *ABC* Units 53-60

2 Units
STUDY TIME= 6 hrs/wk
MIDTERM= Block 1
FINAL= Block 2

4 Units
STUDY TIME= 12 hrs/wk
MIDTERM= Blocks 1 & 2
FINAL= Blocks 3 & 4