



Scholar of Islamic Sciences Certification Program

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YEAR 1

HISTORY

Course Name: The Rightly Guided Successors

Code: MIHI201

Pre-requisites: Islamic Essentials certificate

Course Objective: To provide students with a clear understanding and the ability to identify:

- The concept and technicalities of the Caliphate
- The struggles and sacrifices of the Four Caliphs
- How Islam was spread and shaped the world as we know it today
- Contemporary methods and techniques of imperialism and to compare them with the techniques that were used to advance the Islamic Empire

Learning Outcome: Upon completing this course students will:

- Have answers to many contentious issues related to Islamic history
- An understanding of the context of many rulings that will be studied in other fields of Islamic Sciences
- A sense of superiority of the Islamic system vs. the contemporary democratic system

Course Book: The History of the Four Caliphs by Shaykh Khudari Bak

Supplementary Text: The History of the Khalifahs who took the right way by Jalal al-Din al-Suyuti

CREED

Course Name: Exploring Islamic Theology

Code: MICR201

Course Objective: To provide students with a sound comprehension of:

- The origins and development of Islamic Theology
- Previous and contemporary theological arguments and their responses
- The correct approach to theological matters

Learning Outcome: Upon completing this course students will:

- Be able to exercise sound discernment in matters of Islamic Creed
- Have answers with insight on contentious theological matters

Course Book: Al Fiqh al Akbar by Imam Abu Hanifah

Supplementary Text: Selections from the works of Ibn Taymiyah

CREED

Course Name: Contemporary Sects

Code: MICR301

Course Objective: To provide students with an understanding of:

- The criterion that must be employed at all times to judge the validity and invalidity of religious notions
- Contemporary theological challenges
- The theological differences between Ahmadism and Islam
- The theological differences between Shiasm and Sunnism

Learning Outcome: Upon completing this course students will:

- Be able to distinguish and identify the areas of differences between certain contemporary Islamic Sects
- Be acquainted with the basis of those differences
- Be able to effectively explain those differences to others when needed

Course Book: Custom material from Mathabah

Supplementary Text:

- Selections from the works of Mirza Ghulam Ahmad
- Selections from Usool al-Kafi

Exegesis of the Qur'an / Tafsir

Course Name: Building the foundation 1

Code: MIQU101

Course Objective: To acquaint students with:

- Fundamental aspects of the Qur'an
- A thorough understanding of how the Qur'an was compiled and adopted in its current form

Learning Outcome: Upon completing this course students will:

- Have a clear comprehension of the Qur'an's history
- A solid platform to move forward with towards interpreting the Qur'an with accuracy and insight

Course Book: An Approach to Qur'anic Sciences by Mufti Taqi Usmani

Supplementary Text:

- Al- Itqan fi `Ulom al- Qur'an by Jalal al-Din al-Suyuti
- The History of the Quranic Text by Muhammad Mustafa al-A'zami

Exegesis of the Qur'an / Tafsir

Course Name: Building the foundation 2

Code: MIQU110

Course Objective: To make students aware of:

- The arguments of the Orientalists pertaining to the preservation and the textual accuracy of the Qur'an
- The motives behind their offensive against the Qur'an
- The flaws that are found in their arguments and objections

Learning Outcome: Upon completing this course students will:

- Develop a genuine sense of appreciation for the authenticity of the Qur'an
- Have answers to Orientalist arguments
- Sufficient knowledge to educate the masses on this important matter

Course Book:

- An Approach to Qur'anic Sciences by Mufti Taqi Usmani
- The History of the Quranic Text by Muhammad Mustafa al-A'zami

Exegesis of the Qur'an / Tafsir

Course Name: Building the foundation 3

Code: MIQU120

Course Objective: To familiarize students with:

- What truly makes the Qur'an a miracle of Allah
- The requisites of exegesis

Learning Outcome: Upon completing this course students will:

- Be motivated to learn Arabic at the most advanced of levels
- Be positioned to acquaint the public of the miraculous nature of the Qur'an thus generating a greater sense of appreciation for the book among them
- Understand the depth of the sciences of exegesis

Course Book:

- An Approach to Qur'anic Sciences by Mufti Taqi Usmani

Supplementary Text:

- Al- Itqan fi `Ulom al- Qur'an by Jalal al-Din al-Suyuti

YEAR 2

Exegesis of the Qur'an / Tafsir

Course Name: Building the foundation 4

Code: MIQU130

Course Objective: To connect students with:

- The causes of inaccurate interpretations
- The important principles of exegesis
- The biographies of famous exegetes
- Renowned books of exegesis

Learning Outcome: Upon completing this course students will:

- Be in the prime position to efficiently and effectively study the exegesis of the Qur'an

Course Book:

- An Approach to Qur'anic Sciences by Mufti Taqi Usmani

Supplementary Text:

- Al- Itqan fi `Ulom al- Qur'an by Jalal al-Din al-Suyuti

Hadith

Course Name: The creation and evolution of hadith sciences

Code: MIHA101

Course Objective: To equip students with the knowledge of:

- The importance of hadith studies
- The historical development of hadith sciences
- The objections raised by people of later generations on the validity of hadith
- A basic overview on the classification of aḥādīth based on their transmission chains

Learning Outcome: Upon completing this course students will have:

- Foundational knowledge of hadith sciences
- Answers to the critics of hadith

Course Book:

- Quran, Hadith and Islam by Dr. Rashad Khalifa
- The Authority of the Sunnah by. Mufti Taqi Usmani
- A Beginners guide to Hadith Sciences

Supplementary Text: Nukhbat al-Fikr

Fiqh

Course Name: Following a Madh'hab

Code: MIJU101

Course Objective: To acquaint students with the knowledge of:

- The concept of *taqlid* and its importance
- The biography of the four Imams
- The reason why the four Imams differed in their conclusions pertaining to *fiqh* related matters

Learning Outcome: Upon completing this course students will have:

- Comprehension and appreciation for the nature of the work that was rendered by the four Imams
- Answers for all the objections that are raised in the public pertaining to *taqlid*
- An understanding of the causes of differences
- A clear sense of direction on how to further pursue *fiqh*

Course Book:

- The Four Imams: their lives and works by Abu Zahra
- Differences of the Imams by Sh. Zakariya Kandhlawi

Fiqh & Hadith

Course Name: Purification

Code: MIFH101

Course Objective: To acquaint students with the knowledge of:

- The essential rulings of *fiqh* that apply to a person's everyday life
- Certain authentic prophetic narrations that have been used to reach those rulings

Learning Outcome: Upon completing this course students will have:

- A theoretical and practical comprehension of essential *fiqh* rulings
- An understanding of the origins of those rulings
- The ability to contextualize prophetic narrations

Course Book:

- Mukhtasar al-Qudoori by Imam Abu Husayn al-Qudoori
- al-Lu'lu' wa al-Marjan by Muhammad Fuwad Abdul Baqi

Fiqh & Hadith

Course Name: Ritual Prayer 1

Code: MIFH201

Course Book:

- Mukhtasar al-Qudoori by Imam Abu Husayn al-Qudoori
- al-Lu'lu' wa al-Marjan by Muhammad Fuwad Abdul Baqi

Fiqh & Hadith

Course Name: Ritual Prayer 2

Code: MIFH210

Course Book:

- Mukhtasar al-Qudoori by Imam Abu Husayn al-Qudoori
- al-Lu'lu' wa al-Marjan by Muhammad Fuwad Abdul Baqi

YEAR 3

Fiqh & Hadith

Course Name: Zakah and Fasting

Code: MIFH301

Course Book:

- Mukhtasar al-Qudoori by Imam Abu Husayn al-Qudoori
- al-Lu'lu' wa al-Marjan by Muhammad Fuwad Abdul Baqi

Fiqh & Hadith

Course Name: Pilgrimage

Code: MIFH310

Course Book:

- Mukhtasar al-Qudoori by Imam Abu Husayn al-Qudoori
- al-Lu'lu' wa al-Marjan by Muhammad Fuwad Abdul Baqi

Fiqh & Hadith

Course Name: Marriage & Divorce 1

Code: MIFH401

Course Book:

- Mukhtasar al-Qudoori by Imam Abu Husayn al-Qudoori
- al-Lu'lu' wa al-Marjan by Muhammad Fuwad Abdul Baqi

Fiqh & Hadith

Course Name: Marriage & Divorce 2

Code: MIFH410

Pre-requisites: MIFH401

Course Book:

- Mukhtasar al-Qudoori by Imam Abu Husayn al-Qudoori
- al-Lu'lu' wa al-Marjan by Muhammad Fuwad Abdul Baqi

Fiqh & Hadith

Course Name: Penal Law (Historical Aspect)

Code: MIFH501

Pre-requisites: MIFH410

Course Book:

- Mukhtasar al-Qudoori by Imam Abu Husayn al-Qudoori
- al-Lu'lu' wa al-Marjan by Muhammad Fuwad Abdul Baqi

Fiqh & Hadith

**Course Name: Military Campaigns (Historical Aspect)
The Permissible and Prohibited**

Code: MIFH601

Pre-requisites: MIFH501

Course Book:

- Mukhtasar al-Qudoori by Imam Abu Husayn al-Qudoori
- al-Lu'lu' wa al-Marjan by Muhammad Fuwad Abdul Baqi