

Study plan
Faculty Shari'ah
Master in Islamic studies program
(Non-Thesis Track)

First: General Rules & Conditions:

Plan number			2014
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1. This plan conforms to valid regulations of the programs of graduate studies.
2. Specialties of Admission:
 - The First priority: Bachelor's in any field of knowledge.
3. Admission policies:
 - First policy.

Second: Special Conditions:

The program will be taught in English.

Third: Study PLAN: studying (33) credit hours as follows:

1. Obligatory courses: (24) credit hours:

course No.	Course Title	Credit Hours	Theory	Prac.	Prerequisite
0408702	The Calling for and the Spreading of Islam	3	-	-	-
0408703	Islam and the West	3	-	-	-
0408704	Research Methodologies in Islamic Sciences	3	-	-	-
0408707	Islam and Interfaith Dialogue	3	-	-	-
0408714	Studies in Islamic Creed and its Principles	3	-	-	-
0408715	Qur'anic Studies	3	-	-	-
0408716	Studies in the Prophetic <i>Sunnah</i> and <i>Sirah</i>	3	-	-	-
0408717	Studies in the History of the Islamic Jurisprudence and Schools	3	-	-	-

2. Elective Courses: (9) credit hours from the following:

course No.	Course Title	Credit Hours	Theory	Prac	Prerequisite
0408701	The Islamic History and Islamic Civilization	3	-	-	-
0408705	Islam and the Contemporary Issues	3	-	-	-
0408711	The Islamic Contemporary Movements	3	-	-	-
0408718	Orientalism and Islamic Contemporary Studies	3	-	-	-
0408719	Researches about the Islamic Sects	3	-	-	-

3. A comprehensive exam # (0408798).

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Third: STUDY PLAN: studying (33) credit hours as follows:

1. Obligatory courses: (15) credit hours:

course No.	Course Title	Credit Hours	Theory	Prac	Prerequisite
0408704	Research Methodologies in Islamic Sciences	3	3	-	-
0408714	Studies in Islamic Creed and its Principles	3	3	-	-
0408715	<i>Qur'anic</i> Studies	3	3	-	-
0408716	Studies in the Prophetic <i>Sunnah</i> and <i>Sirah</i>	3	3	-	-
0408717	Studies in the History of the Islamic Jurisprudence and Schools	3	3	-	-

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0408702	The Calling for and the Spreading of Islam	3	3	-	-
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0408705	Islam and the Contemporary Issues	3	3	-	-
0408707	Islam and Interfaith Dialogue	3	3	-	-
0408718	Orientalism and Islamic Contemporary Studies	3	3	-	-
0408719	Researches about the Islamic Sects	3	3	-	-

3. Thesis :(9) credit hours # (0408799).

Course description
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0408701 The Islamic History and Islamic Civilization (3 credit hours)

This course covers the historically surveying *Al-Gahili* era, the rise of Islam, the Arab expansion and *Al-Khulafa'* era. This course also clarifies the historical dimension of *Al-Gahili* community and the development of the Islamic intellect in comparison with other divine religions.

This course also aims at enabling the student to understand the development of the Islamic communities and its most significant social features and to explain the effects of the crusades and other historical conflicts in the medieval era. The course also sheds light on the cultural and military Islamic achievements.

0408702 The Calling for and Spreading of Islam (3 credit hours)

This course covers the early calling for Islam in the time of the Prophet, peace is upon him, the guided Khulafa', the significance of preaching in Islam, the spreading of Islam in the Ommiad era and following it and the reaction of the non-Muslim groups and communities to the Islamic expansion. This course also basically approaches the religious, social, psychological and historical framework of the rising of Islam.

0408703 Islam and the West (3 credit hours)

This course covers the history of the long interaction between the West and the Islamic World particularly in the nineteenth and twentieth century. The course particularly focuses on the nature of the contemporary relations between the West and the Islamic cultures, the politic and military meetings, the commercial and cultural exchange, research about the European and American history of examining the Middle East foreign policy, terrorism, the influence of the Western culture on the Islamic world and the development of the Western positions towards the Islamic cultures.

0408704 Research Methodologies in Islamic Sciences (3 credit hours)

This course covers the general viewing and the specific methodologies adopted by Muslim scholars in their researches and conclusions that paved the way for setting significant general rules for understanding, making researches and writing in Islamic sciences: its principles, criteria, the fixed and the changeable and the limits of the comparison between the two

methodologies: the Islamic and the Western in research. The course also touches on Ijtihad methodology in the latest developments and fiqh accidents.

0408705 Islam and Contemporary Issues (3 credit hours)

This course covers a profound study of contemporary issues including Islam particularly controversial subjects which Muslims encounter everywhere. The discussed issues can include (not exclusively) the following subjects: Islam and the Woman, Islam and human rights and Islam and democracy. The course also deals with Jihad (struggle in the cause of Allah) in Islam including the military and religious interpretations of Jihad, the Western misunderstanding of Jihad and the main obstacles to the interfaith dialogue and minorities taking into consideration the other divine religions.

0408707 Islam and Interfaith Dialogue (3 credit hours)

This course covers clarifying the reality of Islam, its spirit and its openness towards the other and that it is the religion of humanity at large. It also explains the significance of dialogue, intellect and thinking in Islam, the principles of openness to the other especially to other religions with a general overview of the Qur'anic and Prophetic method in dialogue.

0408711 The Islamic Contemporary Movements (3 credit hours)

This course covers the threats and challenges that Islam faces in the contemporary world whether it is from inside or from outside. It examines the renewal and restoration theories and practices, and the discovery of oil in the Islamic nation and its economic, political and social consequences. The course also touches on Islam and its resistance of colonialism and post-colonialism era, the rise of nationalisms, The Islamic contemporary theocratic state (the religious state) and Islam and Zionism.

0408714 Studies in the Islamic Creed and its Principles (3 credit hours)

This course covers the sciences of Islamic creed, its principles, sources and schools, the means of proving it textually and intellectually and the methods of scholars and creed schools in proving it. The course teaches monotheism (Tawhid) and the proofs on the existence of Allah, His Names, Attributes and prophet hoods in addition to some significant matters related to faith in the contemporary world such as destiny, resurrection and the hereafter. What is more, the course refutes the allegations of others against those matters.

0408715 Qur'anic Studies**(3 credit hours)**

This course covers define the Prophetic sciences and sirah and its history and the relation between the two. It works on the authority of the Prophetic Sunnah, refuting allegations against it and to define the authentic hadith, its requirements, sources and the most significant prophetic books and its value.

0408716 Studies in the Prophetic Sunnah and sirah**(3 credit hours)**

This course covers Studies in the prophetic Sunnah and history of Sirah. This course introduces students to the science of Sunnah and Sirah and their history, the relationship between the two disciplines, authority of Sunnah refutations of criticisms against Sunnah definition of authentic health and its conditions, sources and the most important books of Sunnah.

0408717 Studies in the History of Islamic Jurisprudence and Schools (3 credit hours)

This course cover presents the history of the rise of the Islamic jurisprudence, its principles, the most significant jurisprudence madahib, its sources and the methodological difference between them. The course also discusses matters such as the properties of Shari'ah, Ijtihad, imitation, the objectives of the Islamic Shari'ah and its importance and the effect of fiqh on the contemporary reality.

0408718 Orientalism and the Islamic Contemporary Studies**(3 credit hours)**

This course covers introduction the Islamic contemporary studies, its schools and sources. It also defines Orientalism, its most significant schools, thoughts, scholars, and discussing a selected set of orientalist allegations against certain matters and writing back to it.

0408719 Researches about Islamic Sects**(3 credit hours)**

This course cover a study of the history of the Islamic groups and their emergence. It also defines the most significant Islamic groups such as Al-Khawarij, Ashi'ah, Al-Mu'tazilah, Al-Murji'ah and Al-Qadariah and it clarifies their methodology in approaching the text and ijihad in matters related to the creed and other matters and its influence on the Islamic contemporary intellect and the spreading of Islam in the past and the present.