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ALTIJANI HUSSIN **SUDAN** Islamic Economics



**OMERCEVIC BOSNIA** MEC, BE con Islamic Banking &

**EDO** 



**USMAN** MUGHNI USA Marriage and Family Therapy



M ANWAR **SAHIB** 



M.A.SALAM INDIA Islamic Studies



KAMIL AHMAD CANADA Agidah



**TAUHEED-ULLAH SIDDIQUI** PAKISTAN Corporate Law and Islamic Law



UVAIS **AHMED** PAKISTAN PhD



FRANCESCA **BOCCA** ITALY PhD Psychology



MOHAMMAD MONZUR-E-ELAHI BANGLADESH Sharee'ah



YOSOF WANLY PhD (CANDIDATE) Islamic civilization, and Hadith

# **ACCREDITATIONS**



## THE MINISTRY OF HIGHER EDUCATION, RESEARCH, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, THE GAMBIA

The Ministry of Higher Education, Research, Science and Technology has granted a license to operate an online university in The Gambia to the Islamic Online University in May, 2014.



### DIRECTORATE OF HIGHER EDUCATION. **SOMALI FEDERAL REPUBLIC**

The Somali Federal Republic, Ministry of Public and Human Services through the Directorate of Education, Culture and Higher Education granted a university license and accreditation to the Islamic Online University in July, 2013.

# **ENROLLMENT AND FEES**

The Islamic Online University is a tuition-free institution that does not charge students to take classes. Audio and video recordings of lectures and reading materials are available online fee of charge along with live tutorials for every subject.

There is, however, a fixed modest semester registration free for degree programs ranging from \$190 to \$420 based on the standard of living in the student's country of residence.

The semester ends with comprehensive, externally-supervised examinations in IOU approved exam centers around world.

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# **MASTER OF ARTS**

(M.A.) in Islamic Studies

**TUITION-FREE** 



"Are those who know equal to those who do not know?" Our'aan 39:9





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# **ABOUT IOU**

The Islamic Online University (IOU) is the brainchild of Dr. Abu Ameenah Bilal Philips, launched in 2007 from Qatar offering more than 24 short free diploma courses. By the beginning of 2015, its total registered student body has reached more than 255,000 from 228 countries around the world. IOU has the distinction of having the most diverse student body of any university in the world.

In March 2010, the IOU introduced the world's first tuition-free, online Bachelor of Arts in Islamic Studies based on a modified curriculum derived from those of the Islamic University of Madeenah, Omdurman Islamic University, Sudan, and Al-Azhar University, Cairo.

In 2014, the IOU announced four new departments: Department of Education, Department of Islamic Economics, Banking and Finance, Department of Psychology, and Department of Arabic Language and Linguistics. One year later, in 2015, IOU added two more departments: Department of Information Technology and Department of Business Administration.

# M.A. in Islamic Studies

This is an excellent opportunity for B.A. students to continue further and enhance their understanding and knowledge of the religion.

The program consists of 18 courses and M.A. thesis. MAIS is completed in a minimum period of two years and maximum of six years. Courses are divided into three semesters of six subjects each and a final semester for submission of M.A. thesis.



#### **MISSION**

The Islamic Online University aims to grant global access to quality undergraduate, graduate and postgraduate level Islamic and Islamized educational programs for students at virtually no cost. Its mission is to be a catalyst for change in the global Muslim nation in order to facilitate their contribution to the progress of human civilization. Its motto is

"Changing the Nation through Education."

#### **CURRICULUM**

Semester 1		Semester 2	
AQD 501	Tawheed al-Asmaa was-Sifaat	AQD 502	Asha`irah sect
HAD 501	Books of Sales, Sahih Bukhari & Fath ul Bari	FQH 502	Contemporary Fiqh Issues
FQH 501	Maqasid Al-Shariah	ARB 502	Arabic Communication Skills
ARB 501	Arabic Morphology	HAD 502	Criticism against Hadith
TAF 501	Tafseer 501	FQH 503	International Relations
DHD 502	Orientalism	TAF 502	Tafseer 502

YEAR 2						
	Semester 3		Semester 4			
FQH 504	Qada Wa Siyaa'sa Shar'eeyah	THS 502	MA Thesis			
ARB 503	Arabic Literature					
HAD 503	Sunan Ibn Majah					
THS 501	Thesis Preparation and Research					

#### WHY MAIS?

Higher education enable students to expand their knowledge and skills, be more effective and eloquent in speech and writing. For those who wish to enter the working field, higher education is a great asset in acquiring sought-after positions.

Higher education in Islamic studies is beneficial knowledge that will enable you, by the will and mercy of Allah, to perfect your religion and obtain the pleasure of Allah by seeking and sharing His way. In fact, it is one of the ways to gain rewards when all our deeds cease once we pass away. More you know, The more you know, the more you can share, the more goodness you gain and rise higher in levels of Paradise.

"Those who know are not equal to those who do not know." Qur'an, Az-Zumar 39:9

#### **FOUNDER**

Dr. Abu Ameenah Bilal Philips is a Jamaican - Canadian Islamic scholar who converted to Islam in the early seventies. He completed a BA in Islamic studies in Madeenah, MA in Islamic Theology in Riyadh, and PhD in Islamic Theology in the University of Wales, UK.

Dr. Bilal Philips has written, translated and commented on over 50 books on various Islamic topics. He has also edited and published the Eemaan English Reading series for children in international Islamic schools.

Dr. Bilal Philips has taught Islamic Studies and Arabic in a variety of universities and has presented Islamic programs on the majority of global Islamic TV channels. He is ranked among the 500 most influential Muslims in the world for his establishment of the mega-university, the IOLI

Pursuing M.A. in Islamic studies is taking the following hadith to

a higher, more perfect level: Our beloved Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him) said:

"Seeking knowledge is obligatory for every Muslim." -Al-Tirmidhi, Hadith 74



# STUDY WITH IOU

All studies with IOU are of the highest quality, affordable, flexible, organized, easily accessible, completely online and in English medium (except the Intensive Arabic Program). Seeking authentic knowledge couldn't get any easier.

**Study on the Go** You can use Android and Moodle iOS applications to view videos, listen to audios, participate in the forums, tests, and so much more.

"Indeed, Allah loves that whenever any one of you does something, he or she does it in the best way."

Collected by at-Tabaraani.