

## INSTRUCTORS & FACULTY

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*Aqeedah (Theology)*



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*Fiqh (Islamic Law)*

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PhD  
USA  
*Usool al-Fiqh (Law Principles)*



**Daud Abdullah**  
PhD  
Grenada  
*Seerah (Biography)*

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PhD  
Mauritius  
*Psychology*



**Francesca Bocca**  
PhD  
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*Psychology*

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PhD  
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*Education*



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PhD  
Pakistan  
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PhD  
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Lebanon  
*Quran*

## ACCREDITATION



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

The Ministry of Higher Education has granted a license to operate an online university in The Gambia IOU in 2014.



NATIONAL ACCREDITATION AND  
QUALITY ASSURANCE AUTHORITY,  
THE GAMBIA

The National Accreditation and Quality Assurance Authority (NAQAA) has granted IOU institutional accreditation in 2019.

## ENROLLMENT

IOU is an affordable institution that only charges an administration fee per semester. The fee is based on three factors: a student's study plan, country of residence, and program level. Students can study anytime of the day and anywhere they prefer, like online at home on their computer or offline on their tablet riding the bus.

	Part-time	Full-time
Undergraduate	US\$ 90 to 350	US\$ 135 to 525
Higher Diploma	US\$ 180 to 515	US\$ 255 to 725
Master & PostGrad	US\$ 255 to 650	US\$ 370 to 925
IAP	US\$ 115 to 500	
Commitment	9 to 12 hours/week	18 to 24 hours/week

**Note:** The fees above will vary based on a student's country of residence and are subject to change without notice.

Enrollment for the Spring and Fall semesters begin in March and September. Students can enroll before the semester begins to get early access to its study materials. Each six-month semester ends with comprehensive, externally-supervised examinations in IOU approved exam centers around the world.

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DEGREES,  
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"Are those who know equal to  
those who do not know?"

*Surah az-Zumar (39):9*

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Changing the Nation through Education

## ABOUT IOU



Launched in 2001 by Dr. Abu Ameenah Bilal Philips, the International Open University (IOU), previously known as the Islamic Online University, is committed to spreading beneficial knowledge across the globe. For over a decade since its inception, the university has evolved from providing free certificate and diploma level courses to offering affordable and accredited BA and MA degrees in various fields of study. IOU has a student body made up of over 450 thousand students from over 200 countries.

## MISSION



The International Open University (IOU) 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.

## FOUNDER



*"Seeking authentic knowledge of the True Religion in order to practice and teach it should be our goal."*

Dr. Abu Ameenah Bilal Philips is a Jamaican - Canadian Islamic scholar who converted to Islam in the early 70s. 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 Reading Series for use by children in international Islamic schools.

He has taught Islamic Studies and Arabic in different schools and universities and has presented Islamic programs on the several global Islamic TV channels. His many achievements have made him listed in the Jordanian publication "The 500 Most Influential Muslims."

## ISLAMIC STUDIES

Increase your knowledge of the religion from authentic sources. These programs prepare students to face challenges with the power of faith and knowledge to gain the pleasure of Allah.

- Bachelor ( **BAIS** ) | 8 Semesters
- Higher Diploma ( **BMAIS** ) | 3 Semesters
- Master ( **MAIS** ) - Coursework | 4 Semesters
- Master ( **MAIS-R** ) - Research-based | 4 Semesters
- Doctorate ( **PhD IS** ) | 6 Semesters [Upcoming]

## PSYCHOLOGY

Become a pioneer in the field of Islamic Psychology. The vision is to train and endow students with the opportunity to learn contemporary trends in psychology and counseling.

- Certificate ( **CPSY** ) | 2 Semesters
- Associate ( **DPSY** ) | 4 Semesters
- Bachelor ( **BSc PSY** ) | 8 Semesters
- Master ( **MSc PIC** ) | 4 Semesters

## ARABIC

Learning the language is a further step toward learning Islam and these programs have everything you need along that journey. As Umar ibn al-Khattab said, *"Learn the Arabic language. It will sharpen your wisdom."*

- Diploma ( **IAP** ) | 4 Semesters
- Bachelor ( **BA ALS** ) | 8 Semesters
- Higher Diploma ( **BMARB** ) | 2 Semesters
- Master ( **MA ALS** ) - Coursework | 4 Semesters
- Master ( **MA ALS-R** ) - Research-based | 4 Semesters

## ECONOMICS AND FINANCE

Expertise in this field has great relevance and value in the modern world. These Islamized programs are for those who wish to become a part of the growing movement for change and better alternatives to interest-based banking and finance.

- Certificate ( **CIBE** ) | 2 Semesters
- Associate ( **AIBE** ) | 4 Semesters
- Bachelor ( **BSc IEBF** ) | 8 Semesters
- Master ( **MSc IEBF** ) | 4 Semesters

## OPEN EDUCATION PROGRAM

Students who do not possess a high school diploma, or choose not to take exams or write assignments, can opt for the Audit Course of bachelor and master degree programs. A certificate of attendance is issued on completion.

## EDUCATION

Well-trained educators are of the utmost importance to the Muslim community. These programs deliver modern and Islamic education to those dedicated to this noble profession.

- Certificate ( **CEd** ) | 2 Semesters
- Associate ( **AEd** ) | 4 Semesters
- Bachelor ( **BEd** ) - major in English | 8 Semesters
- Postgraduate Certificate ( **PGCE** ) | 2 Semesters
- Master ( **MEd** ) | 4 Semesters

## BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Providing comprehensive knowledge of the basic functional areas of business and their related fields, these programs offer a distinctive of Islamic principles with corporate training.

- Certificate ( **CBA** ) | 2 Semesters
- Associate ( **ABA** ) | 4 Semesters
- Bachelor ( **BBA** ) - major in Islamic Finance | 8 Semesters
- Master ( **MBA** ) | 4 Semesters [Upcoming]

## INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Study a unique combination of Computer Science and Islamic Studies. Students can fulfill their religious duty of seeking knowledge while acquiring sought-after technical skills used in the world.

- Certificate ( **CIT** ) | 2 Semesters
- Associate ( **AIT** ) | 4 Semesters
- Bachelor ( **BSc IT** ) | 8 Semesters
- Master ( **MSc IT** ) | 4 Semesters [Upcoming]

## OTHER PROGRAMS

- Certificates in Quran - *Memorization, Tajweed, Ijaazah*
- General Diploma in Islamic Studies - *24+ Courses*
- New Muslim Certificate - *First Day, First Week*
- Ilm Institute - *Short Courses from a Variety of Topics*
- Solace Health Services - *Counselling, Workshops, Training*

## WHY STUDY AT IOU

- **Online** eLearning
- **Affordable** Fees
- Study **Anytime**
- Learn **Anywhere**
- **Accredited** Degrees
- **Islamized** Education

