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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 to 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
Intensive Arabic	US\$ 115 to 500	
Bachelor	US\$ 90 to 350	US\$ 180 to 525
Higher Diploma	US\$ 180 to 515	US\$ 255 to 725
Master	US\$ 255 to 650	US\$ 370 to 925
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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"Indeed, We have made it an Arabic Qur'an that you might Understand."

Surah az-Zukhruf (43):53

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Changing the Nation through Education



Arabic is the official language of over 20 countries and is spoken by more than 422 million speakers. Attaining a basic understanding of the Quran, hadeeths and daily prayers without the need for translation or interpretation is not possible without taking the first step - learning Arabic.

Bachelors Degree (BA ALS)

This four-year program was developed by over fifty professors who teach non-Arabic speaking students. It consists of courses similar to those taught at the Imam Muhammad bin Saud University, Saudi Arabia, as well as other Arabic universities.

SEMESTER 1	SEMESTER 2
• Al Madeenah Language 1	• Al Madeenah Language 2
• Arabic Grammar 1	• Arabic Grammar 2
• Listen, Read, Write & Speak 1	• Listen, Read, Write & Speak 2
• Lessons from the Quran 1	• Lessons from the Quran 2
• Islamic Studies 1	• Islamic Studies 2
• English Language Studies	• Introduction to Computers
SEMESTER 3	SEMESTER 4
• Al Madeenah Language 3	• Al Madeenah Language 4
• Arabic Grammar 3	• Arabic Grammar 4
• Listen, Read, Write & Speak 3	• Listen, Read, Write & Speak 4
• Lessons from the Quran 3	• Hadeeth (Prophetic Narrations)
• Islamic Studies 3	• Islamic Studies 4
SEMESTER 5	SEMESTER 6
• Al Madeenah Language 5	• Al Madeenah Language 6
• Arabic Grammar 5	• Grammar: al-Tuhfatul Saneeya 1
• Arabic Morphology (Sarf) 1	• Arabic Morphology (Sarf) 2
• Pre-Islamic & Islamic Literature	• Umayyad & Abbasid Literature
• Lessons from the Quran 4	• Linguistics (Fiqh al-Lughah)
SEMESTER 7	SEMESTER 8
• Al Madeenah Language 7	• Al Madeenah Language 8
• Grammar: al-Tuhfatul Saneeya 2	• Grammar: al-Tuhfatul Saneeya 3
• Arabic Morphology (Sarf) 3	• Arabic Morphology (Sarf) 4
• Andalusian & Modern Literature	• Selected Islamic Literature Texts
• Arabic Rhetoric	• Selected Arabic Language Texts
	• Thesis in Arabic

Higher Diploma (BM ARB)

This one-year program is a bridge to the Master's degree for students who already possess an undergraduate degree or higher in another discipline and a good background in Arabic. It contains 10 advanced courses from the Bachelor's degree.

SEMESTER 1	SEMESTER 2
• Arabic Linguistics	• Andalusian & Modern Literature
• Arabic Morphology (Sarf)	• Arabic Rhetoric
• Grammar: al-Tuhfatul Saneeya 1	• Grammar: al-Tuhfatul Saneeya 2
• Lessons from Juz 'Ammah	• Grammar: al-Tuhfatul Saneeya 3
• Pre-Islam & Islamic Literature	• Texts from Arabic Books

Masters Degree (MA ALS)

This two-year program was designed to assist students interested in Arabic research training. Its first year contains advanced courses that cover all branches of the language, while the second year is focused on writing the dissertation.

SEMESTER 1	SEMESTER 2
• Texts from Prophetic Hadeeth - Linguistic Study	• Noble Quran and Sciences of Arabic Language
• Arabic Grammar - Development and Important Schools	• Rhetoric of Literature in Early Islamic and Omayyad Periods
• Semantic Development between pre-Islamic Poetry and the Quran	• Linguistic and Literary Views of the Noble Quran
• Arabic Literary Criticism	• Heritage Texts
• Prosody and Texts from Pre-Islamic Poetry	• Modern Arabic Literature
• Contentious Grammatical and Morphological Issues	• Arabic Research Methodology

Masters - Research (MA ALS-R)

This two-year research-based program has been designed to give a thorough and supportive opportunity to conduct research in Arabic. It enables advanced familiarity with classical and modern Arabic literature, poetry, or Islamic religious texts.

Intensive Arabic Program (IAP)

This two-year program is open to everyone who can read Quranic Arabic. It consists of 8 classical Arabic courses taught two per semester; one semester on reading, writing, and listening, while the other in conversational skills and grammar. The textbooks taught include

- Arabic Grammar Made Easy (Dr. Bilal Philips)
- al-Madina Syllabus Books
- al-Ajroomeeyah (Muhammad Abdul Hameed)

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."