

Program name	Islamic Studies
Degree of program (BA, B.Sc., Diploma)	Bachelor Degree
Faculty	Arts
Department	Islamic Studies
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1. Overview

The Department of Islamic Studies was established at Palestine Ahliya University in 1432/2011, in realization of the overall objectives of higher education in Palestine and by complementing the University mission to serve the country and nation. The department aims to enable students to accumulate a comprehensive repertoire of knowledge in Islamic Shari'a studies

The Islamic Studies program mission is to deliver a distinctive specialization in Islamic studies that aims to support students to acquire greater knowledge of the Islamic faith and to clarify parts of its teachings and regulations that are often missed. Additionally, this specialization strives to illustrate the extent of Islam's impact on people's lives at behavioural, social and educational levels. The Department of Islamic Studies realizes the necessity of raising people's religious awareness and educating them according to Islamic culture. The department strives to enlighten students about the true essence of Islamic faith and its noble values, and to dispel the inaccurate behaviour of those who claim they belong to it. The final outcome of the program is to prepare a generation of students who are qualified to call for Allah's way on appropriate educational foundations, besides meeting the country's need for experts in education, thought, "imamate" (religious leadership), religious judiciary and deliverance of advisory opinions (Arabic 'iftaa').

2. The required hours of the bachelor degree program

University		Faculty		Major		Free	Total
Compulsory	Elective	Compulsory	Elective	Compulsory	Elective		
24	3	30	18	51	-	6	123

3. Admission requirements in the Islamic Studies program

Passing the General Secondary Examination (Tawjihi), with an average of at least 65% in any stream or its equivalent.

4. Intended Learning Outcomes:

Upon completion of the requirements of this specialization, the student will be able to:

1. Grasp concepts related to the Qur'an, such as the revelation, date, reasons, content, place, age, calligraphy, writing, translation, inimitability, being free of fabrication and replacement.
2. Understand concepts related to Prophetic Sunna (of the Prophet): its status, origin of terminology and its importance, types of Hadith (Prophetic Traditions), and Prophetic biography.
3. Discuss information related to Islamic Fiqh (Jurisprudence): its definition, topics, aims, areas, origin, types and divisions, characteristics of legislation, sources, schools of Fiqh, the four Religious Leaders, and basics of Fiqh within transactions.
4. Analyze and discuss information related to the Islamic Faith (Creed), worship, civil status, pillars of belief, characteristics of the family, Jihad and its legitimacy and ruling, system of governance, administration and Islamic forensic legislation.
5. Mastery in recitation
6. Adoption of values and attitudes, most importantly religious, moral, social, aesthetic, and scientific.

5. Work opportunities

Potential workplaces	Work title
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ministry of Education 2. Ministry of Awqaf (religious endowments) and Religious Affairs 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Teacher 2. Imam (religious leader) 3. Researcher in Islamic studies

6. Components of the Study Plan.

First: University Requirements including the following:

- A. University Compulsory Requirements (24) Cr. Hrs
- B. University Elective Requirements (3) Cr. Hrs

A. University Compulsory Requirements (24) Cr. Hrs, Include the following:

Course. No	Course Name	Number of credits hours			Pre-requisites
		Cr. Hrs	Theoretical	Practical	
		Prerequ isites	Total	Practic al	
11010	Arabic Language Skills 1	3	3	-	
110102	Arabic Language Skills 2	3	3	-	110102
120101	English Language Skills 1	3	3	-	
120102	English Language Skills 2	3	3	-	120101
151102	Islamic Culture	3	3	-	
113200	Palestinian Cause	3	3	-	

410211	Critical Thinking Skills	1	1	-	
	Essentials of Computer and Programming	3	3	1	
130300	Community Service	1	1	-	
112101	Physical Education	1	1	-	
Total		24	Credit hours		

B. University Elective Requirements (3)Cr.Hrs, Including the following:

Course. No	Course Name	Number of credits			Pre-requisites
		Cr. Hrs	Theoretical	Practical	
142211	Arab World and Contemporary Challenges	3	3	-	-
132101	Introduction to Psychology	3	3	-	-
130101	Introduction to Sociology	3	3	-	-
120106	Spanish	3	3	-	-
120105	Italian	3	3	-	-
120104	French	3	3	-	-
110208	Hebrew	3	3	-	-
110104	Library Sciences	3	3	-	-
651101	Family Systems in Islam	3	3	-	-
540102	Biography of the Prophet	3	3	-	-
540102	Science of Nutrition	3	3	-	-
510121	Introduction to Health Care	3	3	-	-
510111	First Aid	3	3	-	-
420102	Ethics in the Information Age	3	3	-	-
330100	Principles of Microeconomics	3	3	-	-
310100	Principles of Management	3	3	-	-
210270	Democracy, Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law	3	3	-	-
210260	Law in our Life	3	3	-	-
Total		3	Credit hours		

Second: Faculty Compulsory requirements (30 Cr. Hrs.) including the following:

Course. No	Course Name	Number of credits			Pre-requisites
		Cr. Hrs	Theoretical	Practical	
651104	Introduction to the Science of the Noble Qur'an	3	3	-	-
651103	Introduction to the Science of Hadith	3	3	-	-
651133	Introduction to the Islamic Fiqh (Jurisprudence)	3	3	-	-
651108	Fiqh of Worship Rituals	3	3	-	651133
	Introduction to the Islamic Faith (Creed)	3	3	-	-
651100	Recitation and Memorization 1	3	3	-	-
651200	Recitation and Memorization 2	3	3	-	651100
651300	Recitation and Memorization 3	3	3	-	6511200
651105	Prophetic Biography Analytical Study	3	3	-	-
651236	Syntax 1	3	3	-	-
651208	Fiqh (Jurisprudence) of Transactions	3	3	-	651133
651204	Research Methods (Islamic Studies)	3	3	-	-
Total					30

A. Elective Requirements (18) credit hours:

Course #	Course Title	Credit Hours		
			Theoretical	practical
				Prerequisites
65112	Basic Islamic Concepts	3		-
651452	Practicum	3		-
651440	Islamic Studies in English	3		-
651403	Studies in Islamic Sociology	3		-
				651316
				120102

651315	Systems of Government and Administration in Islam	3	-	651133
541241	Studies in Islamic Psychology	3	-	-
651336	Syntax 2	3	-	651236
651418	Modern Jurisprudence Issues	3	-	651133
651224	Reality of the Islamic World	3	-	-
651405	Jurisprudence of Belief, Vows and Food	3	-	651133
651426	Inimitability of the Noble Qur'an	3	-	651104
651330	Methods of Teaching Islamic Education 2	3	-	651316
651334	Art of Speech and Preaching	3	--	-
651221	Human Rights in Islam	3	-	-
651402	Educational Content in Islamic Creed	3	-	651206
651305	Methods of Eloquent Speech in Qur'an and Sunnah	3	-	651104
651333	Introduction to Call to Islam and Islamic Media	3	-	-
651313	Special Topics in	3	-	-

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	Total	18		

Third: Major Requirements (51) Cr. Hrs including the following

Course no.	Course name	Number of credits			Pre-requisites
		Cr. Hrs	Theoretical	Practical	
651207	Interpretation 1	3			651104
651205	Hadith 1	3			651103
651304	Personal Status 1 (Marriage and Divorce)	3			651103
651209	Jurisprudence of Worship Rituals	3			651108
651393	Islamic Forensic Legislature vs. Man-made Law	3			651133
651420	Graduation Project	3			651204
651421	Modern Intellectual Trends	3			651206
651217	Basics of Jurisprudence	3			651206
651401	Exegesis and Study of Source/Authority	3			651103
651306	Personal Status 2 (Wills and Inheritance)	3			651304
651110	Introduction to Islamic Education	3			-
651316	Methods of Teaching Islamic Education	3			651110
651411	Comparative Religions	3			651206
651233	Qur'anic Narratives	3			651104
651407	Principles of Religious Trials	3			651306
651404	Islamic Economic Systems	3			651208
651212	Jurisprudence of Jihad and International Relations	3			651133
Total		51 credit hours			

Note: All students who fail the Placement Test in Arabic and English are required to take upgrading courses that will not be counted in the required graduation credits.

Study Plan
First Year

First semester			Second semester		
Course number	Course name	Credit hours	Course number	Course name	Credit hours
651104	Introduction to the Science of the Noble Qur'an	3	651103	Introduction to the Science of Hadith	3
651110	Introduction to Islamic Education	3	651102	Islamic Culture	3
651133	Introduction to Islamic Jurisprudence	3	651105	Biography of the Prophet Analytical Study	3
410131	Essentials of Computer and Programming	3	651108	Jurisprudence of Worship Rituals	3
110101	Arabic Language Skills 1	3	110102	Arabic Language Skills 2	3
112101	Physical Education	1	120101	English Language Skills 1	3
Total		16	Total		18

Second Year

First semester			Second semester		
Course number	Course name	Credit hours	Course number	Course name	Credit hours
651207	Interpretation 1	3	651209	Jurisprudence of Worship Rituals 2	3
651205	Hadith 1	3	651233	Qur'anic Narratives	3
651208	Jurisprudence of Transactions	3	651217	Science of Jurisprudence Fundamentals	3
651206	Introduction to Islamic Creed	3	651101	English Language Skills 1	3
120101	Critical Thinking Skills	1	651200	Recitation and Memorization 2	3
651236	Syntax 1	3	120102	English Language Skills 1	3
Total		16	Total		18

Third Year

First semester			Second semester		
Course number	Course name	Credit hours	Course number	Course name	Credit hours
651212	Jurisprudence of Jihad and International Relations	3	651300	Methods of Teaching Islamic Education 2	3
651316	Methods of Teaching Islamic Education 1	3	651305	Methods of Eloquent Speech in Qur'an and Sunna	3
651304	Personal Status 1 (Marriage and Divorce)	3	651393	Islamic Forensic Legislation	3
113200	Palestinian Cause	3	210305	Personal Status 2 (Wills and Inheritance)	3
651315	Systems of Government and Administration in Islam	3	651404	Islamic Economic Systems	3
651300	Recital and Memorization 3	1	130300	Community Service	1
Total		16	Total		16

Fourth Year

First semester			Second semester		
Course number	Course name	Credit hours	Course number	Course name	Credit hours
651204	Research Methods	3		Modern Intellectual Movements	3
651411	Comparative Religions	3	651420	Graduation Project	3
651426	Inimitability of the Qur'an	3		Free Course	3
	Free Course	3	651407	Principles of Religious Trials	3
651405	Jurisprudence of Vows and Food	3	651401	Exegesis and Study of Source/Authority	3
			651418	Modern Juristic Issues	3
Total		15	Total		18