

Department of Islamic Studies

BA Subsidiary Courses

Semester I

Course Title: Basic Beliefs (*Aqa'id*) and Practices in Islam

Course Code: IS-BA-SUB-OE-01

Unit I

1. What is Faith?
2. The Articles of Faith
 - a) Faith in Allah (*Tawhid*)
 - b) Faith in Angels (*Mala'ikah*)
 - c) Faith in Books (*Kutub*)

Unit II

1. Faith in Prophets (*Risalah*)
2. Faith in Hereafter (*Akhirah*)
3. Faith in Destiny (*Qadr*)

Unit III

1. The Concept of Prophethood
2. The Messengers before Hadrat Muhammad (SAAS) and Their Books
3. Role of Prophets in Human Society

Unit IV

1. Faith in Practice: *Salah, Sawm, Hajj, Zakat*
2. Mercy (*Rahm*), Brotherhood (*Ukhuwwah*)
3. Justice (*'Adl*), Excellence (*Ihsan*), Forgiveness (*'Afw*)

Recommended Readings:

1. Rippin, Andrew. *Muslims: Their Religious Beliefs and Practices*
2. Al-Faruqi, Ismail Raji. *Al Tawhid: Its Implications on Thought and Life*
3. Mawdudi, Sayyid. *Towards Understanding Islam*
4. Schimmel, Annemarie. *Islam: An Introduction*
5. Ramadan, Tariq. *Islam: The Essentials*

Semester II

Course Title: Introduction to the Qur'an (Subsidiary)

Course Code: IS-BA-Sub-OE-02

Unit I Basic Concepts of Quran

1. *Wahy, Shan-i-Nuzul*
2. Types of Quranic Verses
3. *Tamhid, Risalah*

Unit II Collection of Quran

1. Preservation of Quran
2. Memorization, Writing, Recitation

Unit III Compilation of the Quran

1. Formation of the *Mushaf*
2. Unification of the Text
3. Essential Message of the Quran

Unit IV *Tafsir* (Exegesis)

1. Meaning and Importance
2. Sources
3. Origin and Development

Readings:

1. Ahmed Von Denfer, *Ulum-Al-Quran: An Introduction to the Sciences of the Quran*
 2. Ahmad Deedat, *Al-Qur'an: The Miracle of Miracles* (available on <http://www.islambasics.com>)
 3. Muhammad Toib, *Qur'ani Malumat*,
 4. Muhammad Hadi Ma'rifat , *Talkhis al-tamhid fi 'ulum al-Qur'an* (a summary of *al-Tamhid*)
 5. Shaykh Muhammad Mitwalli Al-Sha'rawi, *The Miracle of the Quran*
 6. Jalal Al-Din Al-Suyuti, *Secrets Within the Order of the Qur'an*, (Trans. Adnan Karim)
 7. Seyyed Hossein Nasr, *The Study Quran: A New Translation and Commentary*
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Semester III

Course Title: Introduction to the *Seerah* of Prophet Muhammad (SAAS)

Course Code: IS-BA-SUB-OE-03

Unit I *Seerah*: Makki Period-I

1. Birth, Childhood and Youth
2. *Hilf al-Fudul*
3. Marriage

Unit II *Seerah*: Makki Period-II

1. First *Wahy*
2. Migration to Abyssinia
3. Covenants of *Aqabah*, and *Hijrah*

Unit III *Seerah*: Madani Period

1. *Muwakhat*
2. *Mithaq-e Madinah*
3. Fall of Khaybar
4. *Ghazawat: Badr, Uhud, Khandaq*

Unit IV *Seerah*: Madani State

1. Treaty of Hudaibiyyah; Conquest of Makkah
2. *Aam al-Wufud*
3. *Hijjat al-Wada'*

Readings:

1. Nadwi, Sayyid Sulayman. *Khutubat-e Madras*
2. Mubarakpuri, Safi al-Rahman, *Al-Raheeq al-Makhtum (The Sealed Nectar)*
3. Siddiqi, Naim, *Muhsin-e Insaniyat*
4. Ramadan, Tariq. *Muhammad: The Messenger*
5. Armstrong, Karen. *Muhammad: A Biography of the Prophet*

Semester IV

Course Title: Introduction to *Hadith* (Subsidiary)
IS-BA -SUB-OE-04

Unit I The *Hadith*

1. Meaning and Importance
2. Quranic Account
3. *Mustalahat*

Unit II Collection and Compilation

1. *Ulum al-Hadith*
2. *Riwayah wa Dirayah, Asma al Rijal, Jarh wa Ta'dil*
3. Categories of *Hadith*

Unit III Hadith Compilations-I

1. *Muwatta*
2. *Al-Sihah Al-Sittah*

Unit IV Hadith Compilations -II

1. *Musnad*
2. *Mishkat*
3. *Riyad al- Salihin*

Readings:

1. Azami, Muhammad Mustafa. *Studies in Hadith Methodology and Literature*
2. Siddiqi, Muhammad Zubayr. *Hadith Literature: Its Origin, Development & Special Features*
3. Kamali, Muhammad Hashim. *A Textbook of Hadith Studies*
4. Dihlawi, Shah Abd al-Aziz, Translator: Aisha Bewley. *The Garden of the Hadith Scholars*
5. Guillaume, Alfred. *The Traditions of Islam: An Introduction to the Hadith Literature*
6. Ghazi, Mahmood Ahmad. *Muhadarat-e Hadith*
7. Gilanai, Manazir Ahsan. *Tadwin-e Hadith*

Semester V

Course Title: Universal Teachings of Islam

Course Code: IS-BA-SUB-OE-05

Unit I

1. The Meaning and Message of *Tawhid* and *Hajj*
2. Abrahamic Legacy: Acceptance of All Prophets
3. Objectives of Human Creation

Unit II

1. Humanity- One Family (*Al-Khalq 'Ayal Allah*)
2. Prophet Muhammad (SAAS): Mercy unto All Worlds (*Rahmatan li al-Alamin*)
3. The Doctrine of Golden Mean (*Ummatan Wasatan*)

Unit III

1. No Compulsion in Religion
2. Tasawwuf: A Universal Expression of Islam
3. Farewell Sermon: A Code of Human Rights

Unit IV

1. Social Justice in Islam
2. Duties towards:
 - a) Parents
 - b) Neighbours
 - c) Co-Religionists
 - d) Orphans
 - e) Destitute
3. Duties towards:
 - a) Flora
 - b) Fauna

Readings:

1. Islahi, Yusuf Muhammad. *Husn-e Muasharat*
2. Islahi, Yusuf Muhammad. *Aadab-e Zindagi*
3. Fitzgerald, Judith and Fitzgerald, Michael Oren (eds.), *The Universal Spirit of Islam From the Koran and Hadith*
4. Dar, Bashir Ahmad. *Qur'anic Ethics*
5. Mawdudi, Sayyid. *Islamic Way of Life*

Semester VI

Course Title: Introduction to *Fiqh* (Islamic Jurisprudence)
IS-BA -SUB-OE-06

Unit I

1. *Fiqh*: Meaning and Importance
2. Origin and Development of *Fiqh*
3. Mustalahat

Unit II

1. Principles of *Fiqh*
2. Sources of *Fiqh*: Quran, *Sunnah*, *Ijma*, *Qiyas*

Unit III

1. Salient Features of *Fiqh*
2. *Maqasid al-Shari'ah*

Unit IV

1. Hanafi School
2. Maliki School
3. Shafi'i School
4. Hanbali School
5. Ja'fari School

Readings:

1. Coulson, N.J. *A History of Islamic Law*
2. Hallaq, W.B. *A History of Islamic Legal Theories*
3. Abdul al-Rahim, *Schools of Islamic Jurisprudence*
4. Nadwi, Mujeeb al- Allah, *Islami Fiqh*
5. Amini, Taqi, *Fiqh Islami ka Tarakhi Pas Manzar*