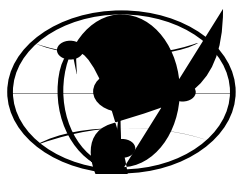




Master of Arts in Islam and Global Affairs

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The Master of Arts in Islam and Global Affairs (IGA) is a one-of-a-kind program that provides an opportunity to analyze the place of Islam in the context of global affairs, and the interconnected challenges facing global Muslim communities from a transdisciplinary perspective.



The program encourages students to be active, autonomous, and critical contributors in their chosen field of research. Through research and integrative lab assignments, they are able to explore complex, interconnected global issues in collaboration with local and international organizations. Graduates of this program will possess the skills to become multidimensional ethical global leaders.

Students of the program analyze how Islam promotes a concern for human well-being and dignity on a global level. They develop a deeper understanding of how the values of Islamic teachings promote peace and cooperation across cultures, religions, and ethnicities.

Program Focus

The purpose of the MA in IGA is to provide opportunities to examine issues pertaining to Islam and global developments by utilizing innovative pedagogies. The program offers traditional and disruptive learning tools, techniques, and methods to study the complex relationships between Islam and society in the Muslim world and globally.

The student-centered approach and individualized learning experience embodies a global focus, interdisciplinary approach, and practical scope, through the utilization of the following creative components:

- **Modules:**
Students select a module that best suits their interests and work with faculty members and the program

coordinator to tailor aspects of their elective courses.

- **Integrative Lab (I-Lab):**

Students are supported with creative design, thinking tools, and production platforms. I-Labs provide personalized working spaces and international exposure to enable them to work on and develop solutions to a global problem.

Curriculum

A 36-credit degree program taught over two years in English, that includes:

- **Three foundation courses (9 credits)**

- Introduction to Islam & Global Affairs
- Islamic World View
- Research Methods

- **Three core courses (9 credits)**

- Global Inequalities
- Islam, Conflict Transformation and Peacebuilding
- Globalization and Faith Based Development

- **Two specialization courses (6 credits)**

- Special Topics in Islam & Global Affairs
- A choice of one specialization course out of two options:
 - Islam and Global Governance
 - Humanitarian Action in the Muslim World

- **I-Lab (3 Credits)**

- **Thesis (9 Credits)**
