

ISLAMIC STUDIES, MAJOR (0020)

Western Sydney University Major Code: 0020

Previous Code: M1056.1

Available to students in other Western Sydney University

Programs: Yes. Check that your program has the available credit points required to complete the subjects in this field of study. Any requisite requirements must also be met. Consult your Program Advisor for further advice.

Students engage in interdisciplinary study essential to an understanding of Islam, past and present. The area of study balances historical and modern Islamic studies and research methods. One of the keys to Islamic Studies is 'relevance' to contemporary Australian society but relevance can only come from a sound comprehension of past traditions in Islamic scholarship and their socio-historical contexts. Preparation for graduate study is also a key objective of this program, with its focus on developing critical and interdisciplinary research skills through a combination of approaches. Students are encouraged to undertake a minor in Arabic to complement the Islamic Studies major.

Location

Campus	Mode	Advice
Bankstown Campus	Internal	enquiriesHCA@uws.edu.au
Bankstown City Campus (from 2023)	Internal	enquiriesHCA@uws.edu.au

Major Structure

This major may be able to be studied entirely online, depending on student subject selection.

Students must successfully complete 80 credit points from the subjects listed below, with no less than three Level 3 subjects.

Students must complete the following compulsory subjects.

Subject	Title	Credit Points
PHIL 1002	Hadith: The Prophetic Tradition	10
LAWS 3040	Islamic Law in a Changing World	10
HUMN 1061	Islam: Past, Present and Future	10
PHIL 2011	The Qur'an: An Introduction	10
Total Credit Points		40

Students must also complete four subjects from the following pools with a minimum of two subjects at Level 3.

Note: Not all units will be offered each year. Units will be offered on a rotational basis.

Subject	Title	Credit Points
Level 2 Subject Pool		
HUMN 2031	Islam in the Modern World	
HUMN 2061	Women with Muslim Identity	
Level 3 Subject Pool		
PHIL 3009	Ethical Traditions in Islam	
HUMN 3047	History of Muslim Civilisations and Ideas	
HUMN 3105	History of Religion	

HUMN 3056	Islam in the West
HUMN 3054	Islam in Southeast Asia
HUMN 3057	Islam, Media and Conflict
HUMN 3058	Islamic Revivalism in the Globalised World
HUMN 3061	Mystical Islam: The Emergence of Sufism in World History
HUMN 3075	Sociology of Religion
HUMN 3081	The International Relations of the Middle East Since 1945

Equivalent Subjects

The subjects listed below count towards completion of this major for students who passed any of these subjects in 2020 or earlier.

LANG 3008 - Applied Critical Methods, no longer offered.

HUMN 3025 - Conceptualising Islam, no longer offered.

LANG 2017 Great Texts of Islam: Quran and Hadith, replaced by PHIL 2011 (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/search/?P=PHIL%202011>) The Qur'an: An Introduction

HUMN 2063 New Ethnicities, Old Racisms, replaced by HUMN 2056 (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/search/?P=HUMN%202056>) The Racial State

BEHV 3013 Humanities Internship, no longer offered as part of this major.

HUMN 3055 - Islam in the Modern World, replaced by HUMN 2031 Islam in the Modern World

HUMN 1047 - Understanding Islam and Muslim Societies, replaced by HUMN 1061 Islam: Past, Present and Future

Related Programs

Bachelor of Arts (1706) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/bachelor-arts/>)

Bachelor of Arts (Dean's Scholars) (1655) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/bachelor-arts-deans-scholars/>)

Bachelor of Arts (Pathway to Teaching Birth - 5/Birth - 12) (1708) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/bachelor-arts-pathway-teaching-birth-5-birth-12/>)

Bachelor of Arts (Pathway to Teaching Primary) (1651) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/bachelor-arts-pathway-teaching-primary/>)

Bachelor of Arts (Pathway to Teaching Primary) Dean's Scholars (1822) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/bachelor-arts-pathway-teaching-primary-deans-scholars/>)

Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Business (1818) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/bachelor-arts-bachelor-business/>)

Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Creative Industries (1842) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/bachelor-arts-bachelor-creative-industries/>)

Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Laws (2537) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/bachelor-arts-bachelor-laws/>)

Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Social Science (1808) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/bachelor-arts-bachelor-social-science/>)

Bachelor of Information and Communications Technology/Bachelor of Arts (3654) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/bachelor-information-communications-technology-bachelor-arts/>)

Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Arts (3763) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/bachelor-science-bachelor-arts/>)

Diploma in Arts/Bachelor of Arts (Pathway to Teaching Primary) (6019) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/diploma-arts-bachelor-arts-pathway-teaching-primary/>)

Diploma in Arts/Bachelor of Arts (6005) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/diploma-arts-bachelor-arts/>)

Diploma in Arts/Bachelor of Arts (Pathway to Teaching Birth-5/Birth-12) (6017) (<https://hbook.westernsydney.edu.au/archives/2022-2023/programs/diploma-arts-bachelor-arts-pathway-teaching-birth-5-birth-12/>)