

ISLAMIC ART, ARCHITECTURE AND URBANISM, MASTER OF SCIENCE

The MSc in Islamic Art, Architecture and Urbanism is a multidisciplinary program that produces and transfer knowledge in the fields of Islamic Art, Architecture and Urbanism with a strong relevance toward the contemporary world of Muslim societies. The program is conducted in collaboration with the University of Oxford in the UK, it aims to equip the next generation of curators, historians, and designers with a critical and informed understanding of Islamic art and architecture. This program encourages research towards safeguarding Islamic cultural heritage by examining the contextual history of Islamic art, architecture, and urbanism.

For more information, click here (<https://www.hbku.edu.qa/en/cis/msiau/>).

Requirements

Minimum hours required to complete program 36 CH

Code	Title	Hours
Core Courses		
IAA 600	Independent Project Modelling	3
IAA 610	Research and Design Methods	3
IAA 611	History of Islamic Art and Architecture I (650-1250)	3
IAA 612	Ahkam al-Bunyan-Building Ordinances	3
IAA 613	Interpreting Environments: Habitat Values and Sustainable	3
IAA 623	History of Islamic Art and Architecture II (1250-1900)	3
IAA 625	Survey of Architectural Typologies of the Islamic World	3
Subtotal		21
Specialization		
Select one of the following Specializations:		6
<i>Specialization 1: History and Cultural Display</i>		
IAA 631	Islamic Objects and Manuscripts	
IAA 632	Museum and Exhibition Studies	
<i>Specialization 2: Contemporary Mosque Architecture</i>		
IAA 633	Mosque Architecture Design	
IAA 634	Islamic Architecture and Urbanism in the 20th & 21st Centuries	
<i>Specialization 3: Sustainable Cities of Muslim Societies</i>		
IAA 635	Contemporary Cities for Muslim Societies	
IAA 636	Globalization, Cities and Urban Policies	
Subtotal		6
Elective Courses		
Select one of the following:		3
IAA 641	Urban Interventions in Historic Islamic Cities	
IAA 642	Physical Spaces and Spatial Humanities in Digital Societies	
IAA 643	Types and Typologies of Domestic Architecture	
IST 621	Sustainable Islamic Urbanism: Past and Present	

Students can take one elective from Sustainable Engineering Courses or Digital Humanities Courses		
Subtotal		3
Thesis		
IAA 695	Master's Thesis Hours	0-6
Subtotal		6
Non-Course Requirements		
699	Thesis Defense	0
Total		36

Study Plan

Specialization 1: History and Cultural Display

First Year		Hours
First Semester		
IAA 600	Independent Project Modelling	3
IAA 610	Research and Design Methods	3
IAA 611	History of Islamic Art and Architecture I (650-1250)	3
Semester Hours		9
Second Semester		
IAA 623	History of Islamic Art and Architecture II (1250-1900)	3
IAA 625	Survey of Architectural Typologies of the Islamic World	3
IAA 631	Islamic Objects and Manuscripts	3
Semester Hours		9
Second Year		
First Semester		
IAA 612	Ahkam al-Bunyan-Building Ordinances	3
IAA 613	Interpreting Environments: Habitat Values and Sustainable	3
IAA 632	Museum and Exhibition Studies	3
Semester Hours		9
Second Semester		
IAA 695	Master's Thesis Hours	6
Elective 1		3
Semester Hours		9
Total Hours		36

Specialization 2: Contemporary Mosque Architecture

First Year		Hours
First Semester		
IAA 610	Research and Design Methods	3
IAA 611	History of Islamic Art and Architecture I (650-1250)	3
IAA 612	Ahkam al-Bunyan-Building Ordinances	3
Semester Hours		9
Second Semester		
IAA 623	History of Islamic Art and Architecture II (1250-1900)	3
IAA 625	Survey of Architectural Typologies of the Islamic World	3
IST 621	Sustainable Islamic Urbanism: Past and Present	3
Semester Hours		9
Second Year		
First Semester		
IAA 600	Independent Project Modelling	3
IAA 633	Mosque Architecture Design	3
IAA 634	Islamic Architecture and Urbanism in the 20th & 21st Centuries	3
Semester Hours		9
Second Semester		
IAA 695	Master's Thesis Hours	6

Elective 1	3
Semester Hours	9
Total Hours	36

Specialization 3: Sustainable Cities of Muslim Societies

First Year		Hours
First Semester		
IAA 610	Research and Design Methods	3
IAA 611	History of Islamic Art and Architecture I (650-1250)	3
IAA 612	Ahkam al-Bunyan-Building Ordinances	3
Semester Hours		9
Second Semester		
IAA 623	History of Islamic Art and Architecture II (1250-1900)	3
IAA 625	Survey of Architectural Typologies of the Islamic World	3
IST 621	Sustainable Islamic Urbanism: Past and Present	3
Semester Hours		9
Second Year		
First Semester		
IAA 600	Independent Project Modelling	3
IAA 635	Contemporary Cities for Muslim Societies	3
IAA 636	Globalization, Cities and Urban Policies	3
Semester Hours		9
Second Semester		
IAA 695	Master's Thesis Hours	6
Elective 1		3
Semester Hours		9
Total Hours		36