

ISLAM (ISLM)

ISLM 105 Scriptural Ethics

3 Credits

Grade Mode: Standard Letter, Audit/Non Audit

This course explores Scriptural ethics in Islam, focusing on the Qur'an and the Sunnah. Students analyze Quranic ethics, examining moral terminology and theories. Additionally, the course investigates key values, moral concepts, and sources in the Sunnah from canonical Hadith collections. Ethical inquiries encompass both classical and modern scholarship, addressing methodological questions and encouraging close engagement with the scriptures. Designed to provide undergraduates with a foundational understanding of Scriptural ethics, it prepares them for critical reflection on moral issues in contemporary society.

ISLM 106 Philosophy, Theology, and Ethics

3 Credits

Grade Mode: Standard Letter, Audit/Non Audit

This course explores ethics in Islamic theology and philosophy, covering ontological and epistemological inquiries, perspectives on human action, obligation (taklif), and ethical judgments. Students analyze fundamental ethical themes in Greek philosophy and their impact on classical Islamic thought. They gain insight into historical context, key concepts, significant works, and prominent philosophers in the classical Islamic tradition, alongside contemporary moral philosophy. Designed to foster critical thinking and ethical reasoning skills, it provides undergraduates with a comprehensive understanding of ethics in Islamic theology and philosophy, relevant to contemporary issues.

ISLM 117 Islamic Art and Architecture

3 Credits

Grade Mode: Standard Letter, Audit/Non Audit

This course covers the arts and architecture of classical Islamic civilization from 610 CE to the present. The students will learn about the diverse regional traditions of the Muslim world through coursework and original sources. The goal is to comprehend how art and architecture emerged from religious and cultural contexts. We will explore how Islamic architecture benefits society through its social, environmental, cultural, and functional aspects. This course will apply architectural theory to analyze the typology of historical Islamic buildings.