



DARUL  QASIM

IN THE QUEST FOR MORE KNOWLEDGE



PROSPECTUS



Welcome,

Dear student: Welcome to our campus, where we look forward to guiding you on your *QUEST FOR MORE KNOWLEDGE*.

Tucked in a corner of Glendale Heights in the Chicagoland suburbs, our gem of an academic institution, is abuzz with knowledge – and knowledge seekers – day in and day out. It is home to an incredibly diverse student-base where the subtle stamina and ongoing dedication are contagious. The environment is peaceful and studious. We hope that you will find Darul Qasim to be your spiritual and intellectual home.

Darul Qasim has refined its programs and course offerings over the past seventeen years under the leadership of Shaykh Moḥammed Amin Kholwadia. The institution offers the opportunity to seek Islamic knowledge that is authentic and relevant for Muslims living in the West. The curriculum is vibrant and deliberate in how it is unfolded.

In the face of challenges levied against Islam, it is now more than ever that Darul Qasim believes that Muslim minds need to be equipped with an understanding of our traditions to help us all be steadfast and confident. But, more importantly, at the core of it all, is the need to help this generation and the generations to come, to faithfully represent the intellectual legacy of the prophethood of Muḥammad (peace and blessings be upon him), in a way that is universally applicable for all times and all peoples.

Students here have set out on their respective journeys at Darul Qasim to increase their religious literacy in a way that restores the dynamic and progressive role of Muslims in society. It is needed that a generation grounded in their faith, as well as in the current context, steps up to the plate. And Darul Qasim is here to help facilitate this process.

The righteous scholars have said that if a tradition cannot be placed in a contemporary setting, then it is not a tradition. It is from this angle that Darul Qasim helps students realize the value of academic Islamic content as something that will help them thrive in their chosen career because the lessons gleaned are timeless and the solutions to the problems of the world are found within the bounds of such knowledge.

Darul Qasim transforms minds such that students become confident, solution-oriented thinkers on a global, national, communal and individual level through the rigorous, yet achievable, programs across all levels – Introductory, Intermediate and Advanced.

We are pleased to make your acquaintance and to be a part of your journey.

DARUL QASIM AT A GLANCE

WHO WE ARE

In a nutshell, Darul Qasim is an Islamic institution located in the Chicago suburb of Glendale Heights. We are an academic institute that strives to offer students the highest caliber of Islamic education in the region.

We see ourselves as an academic house that aims to distribute authentic Islamic knowledge as inherited from the Prophethood of Muhammad, Allah bless him and give him peace, and grounded in Waḥy (revelation).

With a highly insightful and intellectual staff base, who are fluent in both English and Arabic, Darul Qasim's strength is in re-presenting this vast ocean of knowledge in a form that resonates with, and is applicable to, the Muslim living in the West.

WHO CALLS OUR CAMPUS HOME

The Darul Qasim campus thrives with a student base of over 200 students who have access to over 20 course offerings per semester.

We have students from all walks of life who choose to study with us: from high school students to young adults, parents to grandparents, young professionals to seasoned professionals; all who simply seek to incorporate a source of structured Islamic learning in their lives.

The versatility of the course offerings and wide range of programs ensures that Darul Qasim is a student's village for access to Islamic knowledge, to young and old, from all walks of life.

WHAT WE OFFER

As an institute for higher learning, we offer programs for structured academic Islamic knowledge.

Darul Qasim aims to add value to existing paradigms of higher education through the following programs:

- Online Islamic Essentials Program
- Islamic studies programs for high school students
- Summer Intensive: Introductory Islamic studies and Arabic
- The Immersion Shaykh al-Hind Program
- Intermediate Islamic Studies Program
- Advanced Islamic Law and Islamic Theology Program
- Events and Workshops
- Research and Publications

For more information on each of the programs, please visit our website at:

DARULQASIM.ORG/PROGRAMS

Darul Qasim aims to offer these academic services through the lens of traditional Sunni understanding — the added value that incorporates the need to procure salvation in the Hereafter.

OUR FACULTY

Darul Qasim has over 10 full-time and several adjunct faculty with impressive life journeys. You may read about each of our distinctive faculty members at the Darul Qasim website.

They teach and connect with students at their level and in a way that is relevant to the current climate in which most of us were raised and now live. They re-present Islamic content in creative and applicable ways and expound on how this content is applicable in any context including, and predominantly, the context of the United States. They help to transform student minds and teach them to appreciate the breadth of knowledge within Islamic civilization in both Arabic and English; languages in which all faculty are fluent.

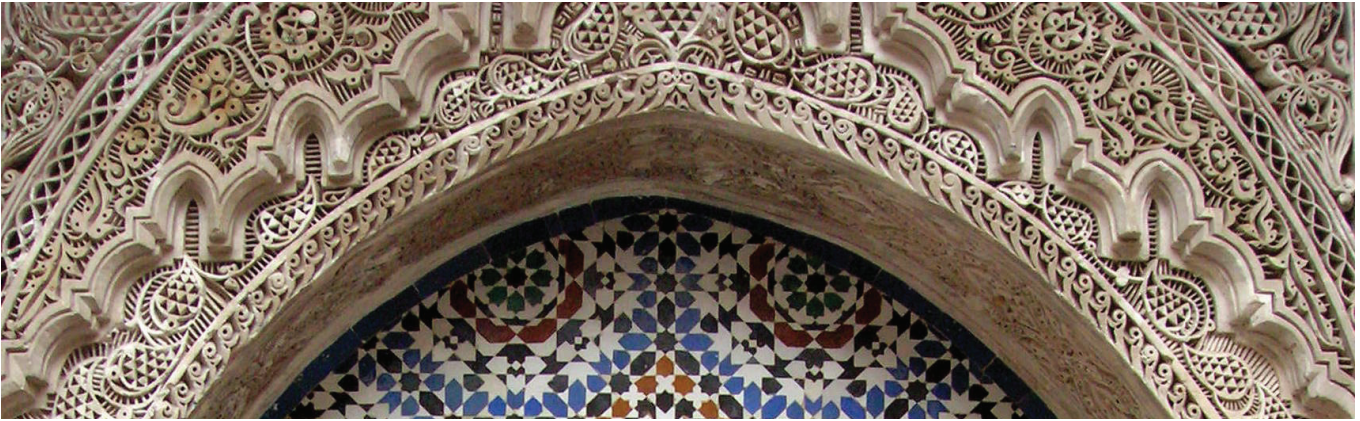
Faculty are also on their own *QUEST FOR MORE KNOWLEDGE* and continue to learn at Darul Qasim by attending faculty courses and exploring and contributing to research subjects and book reviews. They stay abreast of current pertinent topics in leading journals and publish a variety of materials from legal opinions to presenting papers in worldwide conferences and forums.

Our faculty specialize in Arabic and the Instrumental Islamic Sciences, Hadith, Islamic Law, Theology, and Qur'ānic Studies and recitation.

OUR FACILITY

Darul Qasim is a spacious facility that offers several teaching spaces including classrooms, prayer hall and auditorium. It also features a male and female student lounge equipped with fridges and storage space for student belongings. Darul Qasim is currently working to open a library on premises as well.





WHAT SETS US APART

∞ WE BELIEVE THAT ISLAMIC LEARNING IS A LIFELONG QUEST ∞

At Darul Qasim, we see each person at our institution as an individual on a shared *QUEST FOR MORE KNOWLEDGE*; as is our motto. This mindset sets our institution apart in that it is a mantra that manifests itself in all that we do and all that you see. It is a philosophy that runs throughout the entire institution.

To begin the journey in the quest for more knowledge at Darul Qasim, a student enrolls in a culture that values a consistently authentic, structured knowledge based on the oral tradition. The road is challenging yet rewarding, rigorous yet eye-opening. It is a road with an eye toward a continuous and ongoing approach to learning applicable, relevant yet very traditional Islamic knowledge.

This also means that the faculty at Darul Qasim are also always learning, where colloquiums are held and teachers sit in other teachers classes to learn. Such is the culture at our institution.

∞ WE APPROACH ISLAMIC CONTENT WITH RIGID FLUIDITY ∞

The plethora of knowledge passed down by the Prophet Muḥammed (peace and blessings be upon him) is not subject to change. As Muslims we accept, implement and submit to the truth of that knowledge. As such, the content is never changed in meaning or intended meaning in order to accommodate any context.

However, at Darul Qasim, we do believe that there is a certain fluidity in which we can cater to the current Western Muslim culture. In doing so, the content as originally revealed 1400 years ago is the same, but the re-presentation of that content is more relatable to the current climate.

To better visualize how we apply this creative process at our institution, think of a box of pens. The pens inside remain the same, but the box can be updated and made to appeal to different audiences and highlight the content in different ways. Similarly, Darul Qasim faculty take great care and diligence in re-presenting Islamic content to our students in a way they can connect.

□ What Sets Us Apart

☞ WE APPROACH OUR PEDAGOGY WITH GREAT ACADEMIC RIGOR, WHICH GIVES STUDENTS A STRONG FOUNDATION IN THEIR UNDERSTANDING OF CLASSICAL ISLAM ☞

Darul Qasim offers students a culture where one will strive to reach the highest standards. The institution operates with a seriousness toward studies and academic structure. While there is support found in teachers and students, the Darul Qasim curriculum also offers autonomy to the student and provides a platform for critical thinking, which is why the foundations courses are rigorous and comprehensive.

In approaching subject matter in this way, Darul Qasim helps to develop the American Muslim mind and offer a spiritual and intellectual home for learning and discussion. For us, it is not about how many students are learning on campus, it is about the quality of teaching, the caliber of the curriculum and the ability to understand the implications of classical Islam in the Western context.

☞ WE SEE OURSELVES AS AN INTELLECTUAL & SPIRITUAL HOME TO DEVELOP THE WESTERN MUSLIM MIND ☞

The students at Darul Qasim come from all walks of life. Our campus is a unique platform where professionals are integrating with scholars. While some students are what one would expect at a higher education program; highschool graduates who have chosen a path to higher Islamic learning, many others are not. Those are students who have chosen alternate career paths such as medicine, engineering, literature, philosophy or communications, and who seek to integrate Islamic learning into their professions. This produces a thriving hub for application-oriented learning where Islamic subject matter really comes to life.

☞ WE PLACE EMPHASIS ON LEARNING ARABIC FOR THE ENGLISH SPEAKER ☞

At Darul Qasim, learning classical Arabic begins in the foundations courses. This may sound challenging for the English speaker, but our curriculum is geared with this in mind, with many of our own faculty having learned Arabic as a second language. Our focus on Arabic is because we believe that the richness of the content cannot be unlocked and properly understood without the beautiful key that is the Arabic language.

The Qur'ān and Sunnah were revealed and practiced, respectively, in the context of a real society that faced difficult challenges. These challenges were overcome, and a remarkable new civilization was born, because the early Muslims understood the relevance of the Qur'ān and Sunnah to the world around them. There are two essential tools that facilitate the acquisition of such understanding, the Arabic language and Islamic studies.

"A deep knowledge of Arabic is the means through which exegesis, close textual analysis, is possible. It is the key to understanding how the culture, sociology and philosophy of previous generations functioned in the light of the Qur'ān and Sunnah. Islamic studies includes such disciplines as 'āqīdah, Islamic thought, and Fiqh: it is the means through which one gains access to the Qur'ān and the resulting spiritual connection to our Creator, a connection that is the surest path for happiness in this life and the next." -Shaykh Amin



□ What Sets Us Apart

✧ OUR RESEARCH HELPS TO ADVANCE COLLECTIVE ISLAMIC THOUGHT ✧

Another unique aspect to the Darul Qasim campus is the focus on research. Faculty, advanced students and field professionals collaborate tirelessly to author pertinent papers and issue present-day fatwas.

By presenting research papers and submitting them to leading journals, Darul Qasim leverages its knowledge-base to the public arena and provides a seat at the table. We see it as our prerogative to elevate the Muslim mind and Muslim thought to the mainstream discussion. It is at the level of higher learning that respect flourishes and changes can be made.

✧ WE WELCOME ALL ADULTS, AT EVERY STAGE OF LIFE ✧

With a diversity of programs, Darul Qasim has something to offer every adult seeking Islamic knowledge. In doing so, our programs have multiple set ups to accommodate different schedules. For example, our basic entry-level program, called Shaykh Al-Hind, is offered in a full time capacity as well as a part-time week night capacity with nightly and weekend options.

Visit DARULQASIM.ORG/PROGRAMS to learn more.

✧ WE VALUE COEXISTENCE ✧

At Darul Qasim, we are cognizant of our duty to produce positively contributing members of society. As such our campus respects and values its surroundings. The statement below as issued by Darul Qasim sheds light on our position as an Islamic institution in the west:

"Darul Qasim subscribes to the universal message of Islam which embraces coexistence with others as part of God's Will on Earth. It is the opinion of Shaykh Mohammed Amin Kholwadia and the Darul Qasim board, that in line with the rulings of authoritative Muslim jurists of the past and present, Muslims must abide by the laws of the sovereign state in which they reside. Following the law of the land is incumbent upon Muslims wherever they may choose to live. Any protest and/or demonstration against policies of the state must be within the legal boundaries of the given state and its laws. Anyone who chooses to violate the laws of the land should not use religion (i.e. Islam) as a cloak to violate its rules and regulations. Anyone who does, does so by his or her own volition and not under the teachings of Islam."



Darul Qasim Is A Place Where



OUR HISTORY

OUR STORY

Darul Qasim is the brain-child of Shaykh Moḥammed Amin Kholwadia, a Muslim scholar, mentor, and an active advocate of the classical Sunni tradition of Islamic scholarship and a passionate promoter of traditional Islamic sciences and methodologies of teaching and learning. He is regarded internationally as an expert theologian and an authority in the fields of Islamic philosophy and theosophy.

At its inception, Darul Qasim was a humble few students who met where space permitted (sometimes classes were conducted in cars or basements!) to learn from the plethora of knowledge that is Shaykh Amin. Darul Qasim as we know it came into existence in the year 2000 first in the Chicago suburb of Lombard and then moved to the Glendale Heights campus in 2010 where it currently resides.

Darul Qasim's vision has been consistent throughout: facilitating the learning and imparting of knowledge derived from the Prophethood of Muḥammad, Allah bless him and give him peace, through an academic lens and methodological framework applicable to the Western Muslim mind.

OUR NAME

Meaning of al-Qasim:
Prophet Muḥammad (Allah bless him and give him peace) said: *"I am a Distributor (Qasim) and Allah is the One who Gives."* The distributive function of Prophethood, while it includes physical assets such as wealth and property, emphasizes the knowledge that Allah bestows on His prophets. The prophets left behind an intellectual inheritance rich with knowledge. It is an inheritance that, in the case of Muḥammad (Allah bless him and give him peace), has transformed, and continues to transform, the lives and hearts of men and women all over the world.

FOR FUTURE STUDENTS

We look forward to being your intellectual and spiritual home. We hope you find the growth and transformation that you're seeking on your *QUEST FOR MORE KNOWLEDGE* at the Darul Qasim campus.

For any additional questions or inquiries you may have, please do not hesitate to connect with us.

Also, keep an eye out for our Open Houses where you may visit the facility and meet with faculty. Open Houses are usually held in the summer and before the Fall semester starts.

PROGRAMS OF STUDY

Advanced Islamic Law & Islamic Theology (2 yrs)

Darul Qasim has a unique ability to offer classical Islamic knowledge in a very vibrant, contemporary context, and to a very contextually aware audience. By completing the Advanced program, an individual will gain the ability to explain the theories of Madhhabs (Legal Schools of Thought) through Hadith. The program serves as a continuation in the building of the 'content' for the student, while immersing them into the 'contexts' of Islamic disciplines and contemporary society.

Intermediate Islamic Studies Programs (4 yrs)

The Intermediate Islamic studies program will take you on a rich and in-depth journey into the methodology behind the Islamic tradition. The program is built on an extensive study of Arabic grammar, morphology, and rhetoric. These language skills are used to study texts on principles of Qur'ānic Exegesis, Hadith, Islamic Law, and Islamic Theological studies. These core principles, along with courses in a particular Legal School of Thought (Madhhab), will develop the understanding of the 'Content' of early Muslim intellectual civilizations and the Oral Tradition. Furthermore, students will be immersed in learning modern Arabic so that they may be able to articulate the content in a contemporary setting.

CONTACT

MAILING & PHYSICAL ADDRESS

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Glendale Heights, IL 60139

GENERAL INFORMATION

(630) 283-2985 (call or text)
info@DarulQasim.org

OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

(331) 642-0328

HOURS

Monday to Thursday:
8 a.m. to 3 p.m. CST
Friday: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. CST

MORE INFORMATION

For more detailed information, please visit our website under the Academics tab to view:

- Detailed list of classes under the Course Catalog
- Academic Calendar for important year-round dates
- Departments tab for more information on our different departments
- Programs of Study for more details on each of our programs available for enrollment

□ Programs of Study

The Immersion Shaykh al-Hind Program (1 yr Honors or 2 yrs)

This entry-level immersion Shaykh al-Hind program is available in two tracks enabling the student to begin their academic studies with an end goal: to learn the necessary Islamic knowledge known as the 'farḍ 'ayn' (an obligation for every Muslim, male and female) in the Arabic language:

- A one year full-time (Honors) track (two semesters) for students taking a year off from other academic courses and work
- A two year part-time track (four semesters) for working professionals or college students who want to balance their work/study life with a dedication towards Islamic academic learning

Introductory Qur'ān Recitation Program

Recitation of the Qur'ān as it was revealed to the Prophet Muhammad, peace and blessings be upon him, is at the core of worship of every Muslim. To facilitate the prophetic manner of recitation, Darul Qasim has developed a three-semester introductory Qur'ān recitation program that takes the student from recognizing and properly pronouncing Arabic letters to mastering the science of Tajwīd: the rules that govern the science of Qur'ānic recitation.

Islamic Studies Essentials Online Program

"I'm a Muslim." For many, this statement will be challenged time and again, especially through the formative years of high school and beyond. For others, it's "embarrassing" to admit. What does it mean to be a Muslim? How do we worship God? How do we understand the theology rooted in Islam? What is the Sunnah and how does it apply? This unique online program is designed to provide students with a foundational and conceptual understanding of Islam to prepare them for the social and intellectual challenges they will face in the 'real world'. The tough questions will always be asked; what is important is to succinctly lay the groundwork to have a strong core understanding of the faith you follow.

Introductory Arabic Program

To facilitate the acquisition of Islamic knowledge in the West, Darul Qasim offers an introductory Arabic program that prepares students to learn their 'farḍ 'ayn' in the Arabic language.

Islamic Studies for High School Students Program

This uniquely designed four-semester program provides high school juniors and seniors with a conceptual understanding of how mainstream traditional Islam based on the Qur'ān and Sunnah operates and applies in a Muslim's life in the 21st century.

APPLICATION PROCESS

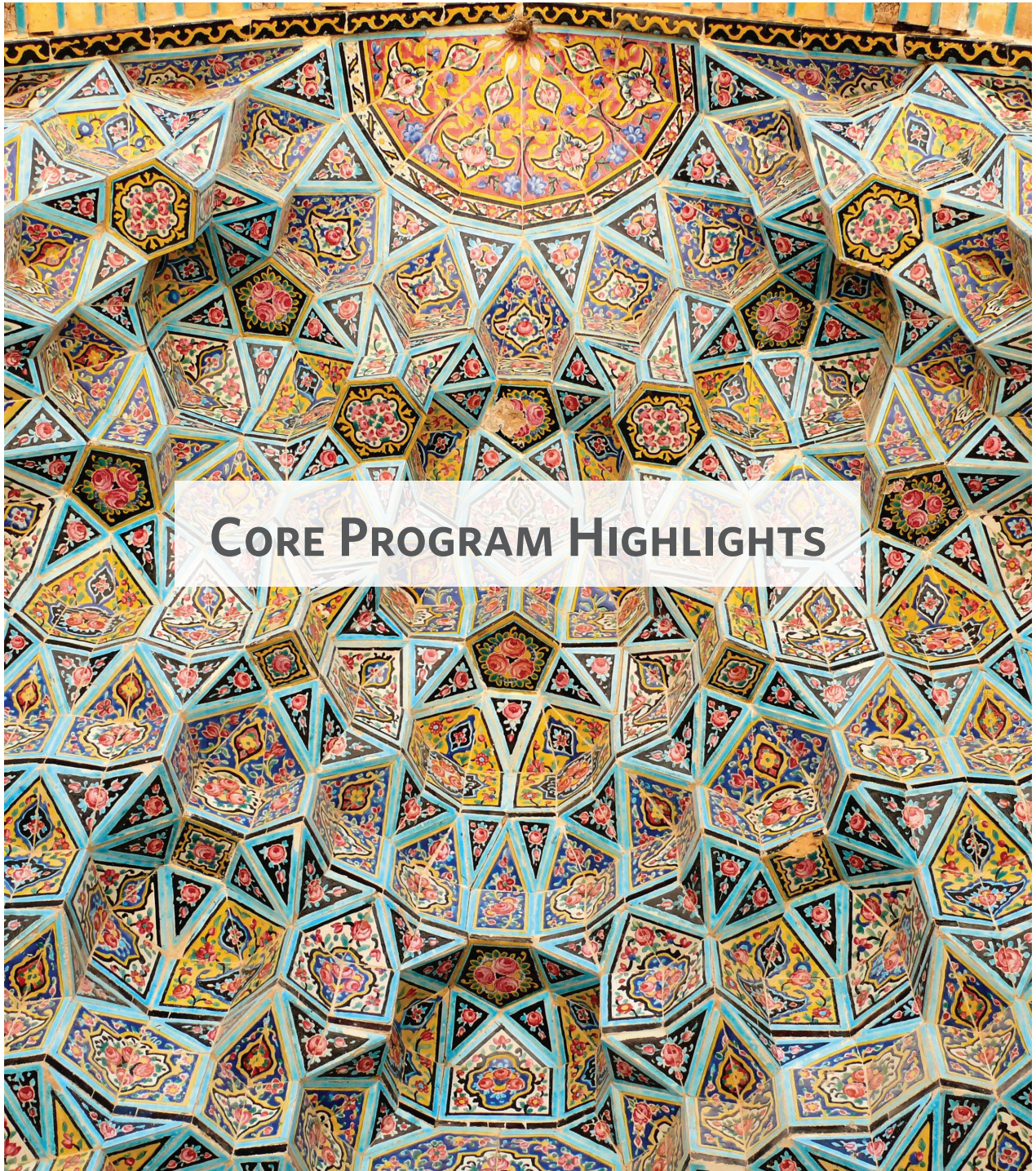
Visit DARULQASIM.ORG/ADMISSIONS to apply online to our programs of study.

Things you may need:

- Proof of Highschool completion
- Any Arabic and Qur'ānic Studies course history
- References of teachers you studied with, if any

Minors are not eligible to enroll in full-time or part-time programs at Darul Qasim as a standard policy.

Darul Qasim reserves the right to approve or reject an applicant's admission as a full-time or part-time student.



CORE PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

ABOUT THE SUMMER INTENSIVE PROGRAM

Learn One Semester Of Foundational Level Arabic In Four Weeks

THE PROGRAM

The Summer Arabic Intensive program provides students with an appreciation for the Arabic language as a tool to access core Islamic sciences and the theories of reciting the Qur'ān according to mandatory laws of Tajwīd.

Students studying in the program will fluidly and progressively be taught the basics of Arabic morphology and grammar developing the ability to linguistically understand basic verbs and sentence structures with diacritical marks.

As a culmination of appreciating the learning of Arabic as a tool, students will dedicate Friday mornings to learning Islamic studies related to Islamic Theology and Islamic Law. Islamic terminologies will be examined for a deeper understanding and appreciation of the Qur'ān and Sunnah through the established core Islamic sciences.

COURSE DETAILS

- 5 weeks of study
- Morning or evening schedule options (9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. OR 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.)
- Conversational Arabic on weekends
- Online option is NOT available - must attend classes in person

WHAT YOU WILL STUDY

- Arabic Studies - Students will learn Arabic morphology (Şarf) and grammar (Naĥu) at an introductory level simultaneously.
- Tajwīd Studies - The goal of the Tajwīd Studies section of this program is to provide students with an introduction to the science of Tajwīd, then to provide the understanding of the universal rules of Tajwīd.
- Islamic Studies - The Islamic studies section will primarily keep its focus on Arabic to equip the student with essential Islamic knowledge. The goal of the Islamic studies section is to formally teach students āqidah (Islamic creed) and Fiqh (Islamic Law) in the modern context.
- Conversational Arabic - This class will give each student the opportunity to speak and present his/her ideas every week. Students will discuss everything from their interests, to everyday life, to selected news topics

WHO CAN APPLY?

- Male or female adults who have completed high school or equivalent
- High school students: completed 11th grade (Junior) with a GPA of 3.0 or higher - proof of GPA emailed to admin@darulqasim.org required
- Must be able to read from the Qur'ān with an intermediate level of fluency
- Must be prepared to begin writing words and terminologies in Arabic

ISLAMIC ESSENTIALS ONLINE PROGRAM

An Online Islamic Course Catered For High School
Level Students & Adults

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

"I'm a Muslim." For many, this statement will be challenged time and again, especially through the formative years of high school and beyond. For others, it's "embarrassing" to admit.

What does it even mean to be a Muslim? Why do I follow a human to worship God? How do I understand God's existence? What is the Sunnah and how does it apply to me?

This unique online program is designed to provide students with a foundational and conceptual understanding of Islam to prepare them for the social and intellectual challenges they will face in the 'real world'. The tough questions will always be asked; having a strong core understanding of the faith you follow is what will enable you to answer those questions.

WHY SHOULD I ENROLL IN THIS CLASS?

In the era of communications, everyone has access to posting their ideas, opinions and immoralities on the Internet and social media. We, Muslims living in the West, are on the frontier of this barrage.

How do you decipher what is factual from what is misleading?

It is due to these challenges that Darul Qasim has developed this unique Islamic Studies Essentials Online Program.

WHAT SHOULD I EXPECT?

- Four-semester program, 15 live online webcasts/semester
- Weeknights and weekend options, with flexible hours: live sessions are once a week for one hour a week
- Experienced & relatable instructors
- Engaging and thought-provoking curriculum



"From this course, I learned what Islam is and WHY Islam is... the greatest thing I take away from this course is a yearning to learn and understand more."

**HAMZAH, JUNIOR 2015, ISE 101
STUDENT**

"I've been to numerous halaqas and lectures of the course of my life but for some reason it felt distant. I could never entirely connect with what the speaker explained or spoke about. It was as if I was in that mindset that I had to become a scholar in order to feel the true meaning of what they spoke of. However, from the first day in this class I truly connected to the subject - I am relearning but with an academic approach."

SHERIN, SENIOR 2016, ISE 104 STUDENT



LEARN MORE & REGISTER: DARULQASIM.ORG/ESSENTIALS

SHAYKH AL-HIND PROGRAM

An Entry-level Immersion Program to Learn the Foundation of Basic Islamic Knowledge Needed for Any Individual



“The Shaykh al-Hind program and its teachers were challenging, yet understanding of the beginner’s level that I had when I began the coursework. While I understand that I have only scratched the surface of Arabic, I am amazed at the level of Arabic that can be reached through this program. Arabic grammar is complex, yet we were able to cover a large amount of material without it feeling overbearing. Small class sizes ensure personal attention, and the professors understand how to assign exercises that develop your skills and improve on your weaknesses. The Islamic studies section was a profound benefit to me and is sure to bring a deeper understanding of the five pillars to all students.”

AHMED MINHAI

SHAYKH AL-HIND 1 YEAR GRADUATE
 Master’s in Biomedical Engineering |
 Attorney Graduate | Operations Manager,
 Burma Task Force, non-profit organization



ABOUT THE PROGRAM

- To facilitate the acquisition of Islamic knowledge in the West, Darul Qasim curated the Shaykh al-Hind program, which offers a unique academic curriculum that allows students to learn their farḍ 'ayn [an obligation for every Muslim, male and female] in the Arabic language.

The Shaykh al-Hind program is an introductory level program through which a student will become eligible to enroll in the higher level courses at Darul Qasim.

- Darul Qasim has had over 100 students learning their farḍ 'ayn through the Shaykh al-Hind program since 2011.

WHO IS THIS PROGRAM FOR?

- Perfect for any Muslim seeking to learn the basic necessary Islamic knowledge known as farḍ 'ayn
- Suitable for students taking a year off or those in-between jobs or stay at home individuals (1 Year Track)
- Suitable for working professionals and college students (2 Year Track - up to six hours of Arabic & Islamic Studies weekly)
- For entry-level students who at least have a moderate level of fluency in Qur’ān recitation; you do not have to know Arabic prior to enrolling.

COURSE AT A GLANCE

Teaches basic Arabic and Islamic studies in a rigorous academic setting, which is open to all

1 Year Track: Learn full-time in two semesters

2 Year Track: Learn part-time in four semesters on weekends or weekday evenings

LEARN MORE & REGISTER: [DARULQASIM.ORG/SAH](https://darulqasim.org/sah)

INTERMEDIATE PROGRAMS

A Four-Year Program Which Takes Students on a Rich and In-Depth Journey into the Methodology Behind the Islamic Tradition



"...I have been to my share of Higher Level Islamic Institutes, enjoying their own distinguishing features – so what sets Darul Qasim apart? I feel what Darul Qasim brings to the table is academic curiosity and a passion for research. This year my research has spanned a variety of topics from bitcoins, the stock market, gelatin, to the origins of Satan: whether he was an angel or a jinn. This focus on research is based on the philosophy that Shaykh Amin imparts to all the students: that the greatness of a people is based on their academic superiority. Personally, this year has been a breakthrough for me in that many questions of creed that had long been gnawing away at me were finally answered in detail with convincing proof ... I am truly excited to move on to the [higher] level program and can only imagine the layers of knowledge that are yet to unfold."

ATIQ TAIYAB || CLASS OF 2016



THE PROGRAM

This program is built on an extensive study of Arabic grammar and rhetoric. These language skills are used to study texts on principles of *Qur'ānic* Exegesis, *Hadith*, Islamic Law, and Theological studies. These basic principles along with courses in a particular Legal School of Thought (*Maḍhab*) will develop the understanding of the 'Content' (*Maḥmūl Islāmī*) of early Muslim intellectual civilizations and the Oral Tradition of the first three generations. Darul Qasim guides students to explore and understand the finesse embedded in the layers of our tradition.

CURRICULUM AT A GLANCE

Four-Year Full-time Program (5 Courses per Semester)

Prerequisite: Shaykh al-Hind Program (1 yr)

Year 1-2: Focus on Requisites and Instrumental Sciences

Year 3-4: Focus on Specialization and Core Content

WHAT YOU WILL GAIN

- Proficiency in Classical Arabic & Modern Arabic and the ability to read knowledge recorded from the Oral Tradition
- Firm grounding in Islamic theology ('*Aqīdah*)
- Strong foundations in the methodology and principles of *Qur'ānic* Exegesis, *Hadith*, Islamic Law, and Discursive Theology
- An in-depth and thorough understanding of one *Maḍhab* (Legal School of Thought)
- Students who complete this program will possess the necessary competence and skills to serve their local communities as Imams, program or youth directors, teachers, etc. The graduate may also choose to pursue further training and certification in community counselling, chaplaincy, Islamic school department leadership, and more.

LEARN MORE & REGISTER: DARULQASIM.ORG/INTERMEDIATE

PUBLIC PROGRAMMING

AL-QASIM MEDIA

ALQASIMMEDIA.COM

HIGHLIGHT SERIES

Women in the Qur'an

The journey begins with a discourse on the over arching theme of the *ahl* or family. *Adam* and his wife, married in the heavens and reunited on earth to fulfill their marriage, were the constituents of the first *ahl*. From there, Shaykh Mohammed Amin Kholwadia plunges us into the depths of the *Qur'an* and *Sunnah*, and brings to light many fascinating insights into the lives of some of the most prominent women mentioned in the *Qur'an*, with commentaries on their noteworthy qualities.

Hikam ibn 'Aṭā'illah

The Book of Aphorisms, by the renowned scholar ibn 'Aṭā'illah. Ibn Aṭā'illah's book of aphorisms (*al-Hikam al-'Aṭā'iyyah*) is one of his most well-known works. Being one of his earlier compositions, it comprises what is contained in the lengthier and shorter works of the Sufis with greater clarity and concision. Commentators have mentioned that the *Hikam* comprises four sciences of Sufism: the science of admonition and reminding, purifying spiritual works and acquiring the inner virtues, realization of spiritual states (*aḥwāl*) and stations (*maqāmah*) and knowledge bestowed from the Divine Presence.

SUNDAY TAFSĪRS

DARULQASIM.ORG/TAFSIR

Sundays, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. CST

Attend Live Webcast - FREE

What you will learn with Shaykh Amin every Sunday:

- The Islamic worldview
- Discourses on relevant and contemporary issues presented through the lens of the *Qur'an* and *Sunnah*
- Foundational understanding of the intent of *wahy* (revelation)
- An insight to the flow of the *Qur'an* as Shaykh Amin explains how each surah and verse are miraculously connected to one another

EVENTS & WORKSHOPS

DARULQASIM.ORG/EVENTS

Over the years, Darul Qasim has hosted many scholars, experts (in their respective fields), and academic professionals to share academic presentations and lectures to contemporary issues and challenges we face as Muslims.

Benefit from the array of workshops for FREE from darulqasim.org/events

Introduction to Islamic Epistemology

Shaykh Mohammed Amin Kholwadia
Dr. Muhammed Stodolsky, PhD

Modernism and the Destiny of Man

Dr. Umar Faruq Abd-Allah

New Atheism

Dr. Omar Qureshi, PhD

The Universality of Islam

Shaykh Musa Sugapong

Ascension of the Believer

Mufti Hisham Dawood
Mawlana Arif Kamal

How Studying *Fiqh* Can Guide Muslims in the West

Shaykh Samer al-Nass

The Dangers of Debt: Macroeconomics

Professor Amir Sufi, PhD

Islamic Archeology and its Context

Dr. Choukri Heddouchi, PhD

The Role of Islamic Scholarship in the Mogul Dynasty

Mawlana Uwais Namazi

AN EYE TOWARD THE FUTURE

RESEARCH HIGHLIGHTS

Darul Qasim faculty and advanced student-professionals associated with Darul Qasim and collaborators regularly present at conferences and submit papers. All are available on our website for viewing.

Below are a few of the research topics covered:

- **Causes And Means Of Healing – An Islamic Ontological Perspective –** Ahsan M. Arozullah, M. Amin Kholwadia, M. Volkan Stodolsky, and Aasim I. Padella – *Published in the Journal of Religion and Health, Springer Nature.*
- **Forensic Psychiatry –** Bilal Ali and Hooman Keshavarzi – *Published in the Oxford Islamic Studies Online, Oxford University Press.*
- **Physician’s Juristic Role –** M. Volkan Stodolosky and M. Amin Kholwadia – *Published in the Oxford Islamic Studies Online, Oxford University Press.*
- **Wilāyah And Its Implications For Islamic Bioethics –** Ahsan M. Arozullah and M. Amin Kholwadia – *Published in the Journal of Theoretical Medicine and Bioethics.*
- **Dire Necessity And Transformation: Entry-Points For Modern Science In Islamic Bioethical Assessment Of Porcine Products In Vaccines –** Aasim I. Padela, Steven W. Furber, M. Amin Kholwadia and Ebrahim Moosa – *Presented in partial form at a conference entitled ‘Health related Issues and Islamic Normativity’ at University of Hamburg and at the conference on ‘The Interplay of Islam & The West’ at Georgetown School of Foreign Service, Qatar.*
- **Brain Death In Islamic Ethico-Legal Deliberation: Challenges For Applied Islamic Bioethics –** Aasim I. Padela, Ahsan Arozullah & Ebrahim Moosa – *Presented in partial form at the 3rd Islam and Bioethics International Conference in Turkey.*

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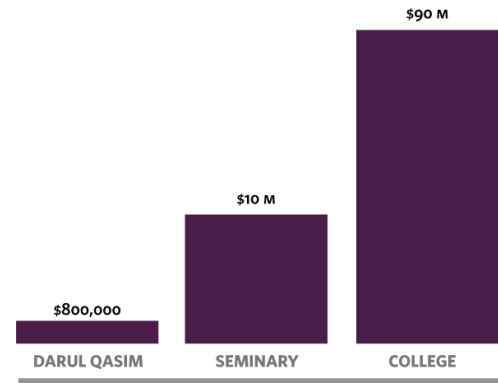
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