



The SeekersGuidance:

The Global Islamic Seminary in Partnership  
with the Fatih Sultan Mehmet University Presents

Uluslararası Nurulhüda Enstitüsü ve Fatih  
Sultan Mehmet ve Dönemi Uygulama ve  
Araştırma Merkezi İşbirliğiyle

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THE DAR AL- FUQAHA  
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## Introduction:

SeekersGuidance Global (Ma'had Nur al Huda) in collaboration with Fatih Sultan Mehmet research center has launched the Licence in Hanafi Jurisprudence and Legal Theory (Dar al-Fuqaha). This program aims to revive this great historical tradition of the Islamic Sciences, which is the reading of the main books of Hanafi Fiqh with the scholars of the school. This would be accompanied with sciences which have a strong connection with Fiqh, Contemporary Juristic Problems, Comparative Fiqh, Legal Verdicts, and other such matters needed to address new legal problems and to develop the juristic skills needed by researchers in this field.







## The Benefits

The main benefit of this program is that resources - financial or otherwise - that are put into this project will never be wasted, and everything which is done at one stage will be a step towards the development of the next stage. Therefore, if a participant ceases to continue he will have attained something complete and important in the field - even if that is the study of one book, or a chapter on particular legal issues in a book of fiqh. If he continues, he will eventually qualify to become one of the leading scholars of the field he chooses.

## The Distinguishing Factor

The main distinguishing factor of this program is to allow students to attain their goal from the sciences - whatever that goal may be with regards to a particular science, or a specific level in that field. This will be through giving him multiple, unlimited choices, in addition to recording of lessons which will provide a permanent resource by being posted on the internet.

These videos will perpetually provide students a resource and will save our senior scholars from repeating the same lessons over and over again at the Yenikapi Mevlevihanesi.

## Goals and Objectives

This program will realise one of the main goals of the University and of SeekersGuidance, namely, a deepening of a connection of society with the Sacred Sciences, beyond the scope of Academia. This was embodied by the system of teaching in the traditional seminaries. Students who are inclined towards the traditional system and students from Universities will have the opportunity to study side-by-side. This will remove the barriers that have developed between the Academic and Traditional approaches, and will aid us in calling to Allah, since each will complement the other, and expand the horizons of various projects.

This is in addition to the connections which will be built between the students of the various universities of Istanbul. Also, this will also open the possibility of helping and introducing the students who come to Istanbul annually from the West, for the purpose of studies, to the aforementioned opportunities.



# The Curriculum of the License in Hanafi Fiqh and Legal Theory.

The program will be based on teaching the fiqh subjects and related material in seven stages and will be divided into three levels:

**Level One - Essentials of Fiqh:** Students will study subjects based on a number of foundational subjects. (Three Stages)

**Level Two - General Specialisation in Fiqh:** Further expansion on the essentials will come from studying the supporting subjects. (Two Stages)

**Level Three - Specific Specialisation in Fiqh:** student will specialise in a particular branch of fiqh or legal theory with due consideration of incremental increases in each stage. (Two Stages)

Students will enter the program at a level suited to their previous studies. Students will register for a class, term, stage, or specialisation (foundation, general specialisation, specific specialisation) or the entire program.

It is possible to study different subjects at different levels based on previous studies.

After completing a book from the curriculum the student will attain a license of mastery in it.

After completing the first three stages the stu-

dent will attain a license in the foundational fiqh sciences. After completing the five stages the student will attain a license of specialisation in the field he chose.

## Timeframe for each stage:

### Stage One

Three Terms (12 weeks per term)

### Stage Two

Three Terms (12 weeks per term)

### Stage Three

Six Terms (12 weeks per term)

### Stage Four

Six Terms (12 weeks per term)

### Stage Five

Six Terms (12 weeks per term)

### Stage Six

Six Terms (12 weeks per term)

### Stage Seven

Six Terms (12 weeks per term)

Each stage can have one or more subjects, and multiple subjects can be studied in one term at once.











# The System of Study and the License

The system of study depends on incremental development of Fiqh and its related sciences, as detailed above.

Large books will be divided into sections which students will complete in a term (12 weeks), and each term will have distinct name, eg, 'The module of financial transactions from al Hidayah'.

The number of weekly lessons for a particular term will differ based on the size of the book studied, such that the content can be distributed in order to complete it (over one to six terms). The duration of each lesson will be an hour and a half.

The program presents the following sciences connected to Fiqh, Legal Theory, and Academic Research: (1) Islamic Fiqh, (2) Legal Theory, (3) Aims of the Shari'a, (4) Family Law, (5) Inheritance, (6) Study of the Verses of Law, (7) Study of the Narrations of Law, (8) Legal Maxims, (9) Deriving Rulings from Sources, (10) Comparative Fiqh, (11) the Fiqh of New Issues, (12) Contemporary Legal Problems, (13) Principles of Research and Debate in Legal Studies, (14) Legal Verdicts, (15) Terminology of Fiqh and Legal Theory (Arabic/English), (16) History of the Development of the Shari'a, (17) History Legal Theory, and (18) the Categorisation of the Jurists.

The specialisations in stages 6 and 7 are open to all branches connected to Fiqh and Legal Theory. The program for stages 6 and 7 has mandatory subjects which deepen one's knowledge of the specialisation in general, and subsidiary subjects which are specified by the field chosen by the student. This is done through the governing body of the License program. For example: Islamic Finance, Shari'a Based Politics, Family Law, Fiqh in a Particular Era, the Aims of the Shari'a, Ijtihad, Comparative Fiqh, Contemporary Legal Problems, Deriving Rulings from Sources, Legal Verdicts, the Methodology of the Jurists, and the History of the Development of the Shari'a.

The class will be initiated if there is a registration of at least 10 students. The maximum number for a class is 100.

The scope of the program will be beyond Islamic Jurisprudence and will equip students with an understanding of the other Islamic Sciences. These sciences include Quranic Exegesis, Prophetic Narrations and their explanations, and the sciences of Prophetic narrations, Understanding the Prophetic Biography, Theology, Islamic Spirituality, The Arabic Language, Logic, and Cultural and historical studies of Muslim societies.

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To complete the certificate in the foundational fiqh studies, it is required from a student to pass all the exams for all subjects, to memorise 10 parts (ajza') of the Qur'an, to memorise the Mukhtasar Riyad al Salihin, to study the books Sharh al Ajurrumiyya and Shudhur al Dhahab and to attain a license in them, to present a research seminar and pass an examination interview.

To pass the general certificate in Fiqh and Legal Theory, the student must pass all of the exams for all the subjects, in stages 4 and 5, memorise the next ten parts of the Qur'an, memorise the hadiths in Mughlata'i's al Durr al Manzum, memorise the verses of legal rulings, memorise a poem of Fiqh rulings, or a primer in Fiqh, produce a paper of graduation, and sit an examination interview.

To pass the license of specialisation in Fiqh and Legal Theory, the student must pass all the exams in all the subjects in stages 6 and 7, have memorised the Qur'an entirely, have memorised Imam Muhammad b. Al Hasan al Shaybani's narration of the Muwatta' of Imam Malik, present a dissertation of graduation, and pass an examination interview.

Students will be closely be personally mentored and guided through the curriculum to provide students and enriching and personalized experience throughout their studies.

## To Enroll Students Will be Required to Submit the Following:



A PROOF OF THEIR  
LAST LEVEL OF STUDIES



A COPY OF  
ID/IKAMET



A PERSONAL  
PHOTO



A REFERENCE  
LETTER



A SHORT SUMMARY OF THE  
INTENTIONS, PURPOSE AND GOALS  
THAT YOU HOPE TO ATTAIN FROM  
THE PROGRAM.

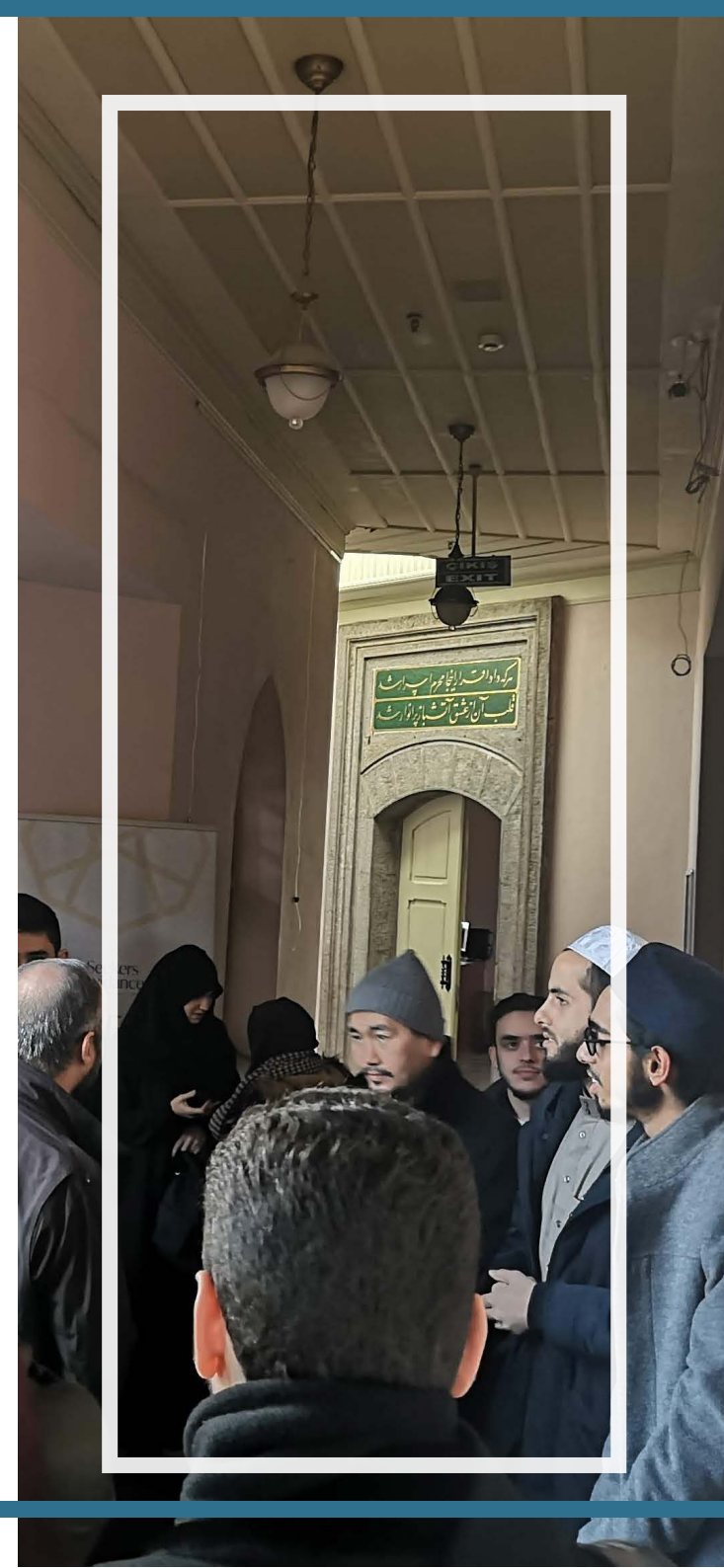


A PERSONAL  
INTERVIEW

All this will be provided to the students, completely free of cost.

FULL  
CURRICULUM

SCHEDULE OF  
THE FIRST TERM







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