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CHAPTER 1

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 1 Scope of Regulation

Regulations of "Master of Science" study program in "Modern Islamic Sciences", sets out the principles of operation of this program.

Section 2 Legal Basis

Regulation of Programs of Study of second cycle of HEI “Hëna e Plotë” Bedër is based on Law no. 9741, dated 21.05.2007, "On Higher Education in the Republic of Albania", amended by Law no. 10307, dated 22.07.2010 "On Changes and Additions to the Law no. 9741, dated 21.05.2007, "On Higher Education in the Republic of Albania", the license granted by the Decision of the Council of Ministers no. 286, dated 06.04.2011, "On Licensing of Private HEI “Hëna e Plotë” Bedër, the Instruction of the Ministry of Education and Science no. 14, dated 03.04.2008 "On opening and organization of study programs of the second cycle in public institutions of higher education" in the Instruction of the Ministry of Education and Science no. 15, dated 04.04.2008 "On the organization of studies at public institutions of higher education" as well as in the Statute and the Fundamental Rules of this institution.

CHAPTER 2 CONTENTS OF THE PROGRAM


Section 3 Formative specific objectives of the program

Pursuant to the Law on Higher Education in the Republic of Albania, as well as the Bologna Declaration, students who complete their education at a three-year cycle can continue their studies in Cycle II "Master of Science" or "Professional Master".

The "Master of Science" in Modern Islamic Sciences, offers advanced academic preparation in the field of basic sciences of Islam.

Graduates of this program of study will be given priority in the field of religious knowledge, and will have even more advantages in the career ladder to leadership in this field.

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The main objectives of the program are:

- Prepare successful graduates, with deep professional skills, high moral character and to return socially inspirational and motivational models for society;
- To prepare people able to work in public and private sectors;
- To prepare professionals motivated to work in all areas of the country and beyond;
- To develop critical thinking skills, communicating accurately and clear understanding of the ethical dimensions of the profession;
- Prepare experts required by the labor market;
- To provide a scientific training of young professionals with in-depth knowledge of Islamic sciences in general;
- To create sustainable knowledge base for the third cycle (doctoral studies), including training for research and completion of prerequisites (knowledge, skills and competencies) for admission to the third cycle studies;

These goals will be layered in the general objectives that this program of study has like:

- To provide appropriate education and deep training in basic sciences of Islam;
- Try to realize a new status in theologian terms and new political-economic-social developments that are created nowadays;
- The program will lay concrete alternatives for the development of religion in Albania and provide assistance to the creation of a new elite of theologians of Islam.

Article 4 Studies Organization


Second cycle studies of "Master of Science" in Modern Islamic Sciences program is organized as a full-time system.

The program of studies is carried out with 120 ECTS, in accordance with the curriculum proposed by the Department of Islamic Sciences, with decision of Faculty Council and adopted by the Academic Senate of the HEI “Hëna e Plotë” Bedër.

Students who successfully complete all obligations required by the Master of Science program in Modern Islamic Sciences are equipped with degree "Master of Science in Modern Islamic Sciences".

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Language Studies

Languages of study in the program "Master of Science" in Modern Islamic Sciences are Turkish, Arabic and English.

Article 6

List of teaching disciplines and other educational activities

List of teaching disciplines and other educational activities of the program are as follows:


T - Theoretical Hours

P - Practical Hours

K - Credits under the American System

ECTS - European system of credit transfer

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**TEACHING PLAN
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YEAR I										
Semester I										
Nr.	Course Code	Subject	Lecturer of the course	Type of course	Language	Group	Lectures/ Seminars	Individual Work	Credits	ECTS
1	ISC 401	Research Methods	Dr. Atakan Derelioğlu	Obligatory	Turkish/Albanian/ Arabic	A	48	102	3	6
2	ISC 411	Essential Issues of the Methodology of Islamic Jurisprudence	Prof. Dr. Ayhan Tekineş	Obligatory	Turkish	B	48	102	3	6
3	ISC 413	Essential Issues of the Science of Hadith	Prof. Dr. Ayhan Tekineş	Obligatory	Turkish	B	48	102	3	6
4	ISC 431	Essential Issues of Philosophy of Religion	Dr. Selman Kuzu	Obligatory	Turkish/English	B	48	102	3	6
5	ISC 433	History of Comparative Religions	Dr. Selman Kuzu	Obligatory	Arabic	B	48	102	3	6
Total							240	510	15	30


YEAR I										
Semester II										
Nr.	Course Code	Subject	Lecturer of the course	Type of course	Language	Group	Lectures/ Seminars	Individual Work	Credits	ECTS
1	ISC 402	Research Methods in Social Sciences	Dr. Atakan Derelioğlu	Obligatory	Turkish/English/ Arabic	A	48	102	3	6
2	ISC 412	Schools of Tafsir	Dr. Selman Kuzu	Obligatory	Arabic	B	48	102	3	6
3	ISC 414	Interpretation Methods of Tafsir	Prof. Dr. Ayhan Tekineş	Obligatory	Turkish	B	48	102	3	6
4	ISC 432	Religion and Science	Dr. Selman Kuzu	Obligatory	Turkish/English	B	48	102	3	6

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5	ISC 444	Seminar	Dr. Atakan Derelioğlu	Obligatory	Turkish/English	B	48	102	3	6
Total							240	510	15	30

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YEAR II

Subject	Lecturer of the course	Type of course	Language	Group	Lectures/ Seminars	Individual Work	Cred
Problems of Religious Education	Dr. Ahmet Ecirli	Obligatory	Turkish/Arabic	B	48	102	3
Modern Kelam Problems	Dr. Selman Kuzu	Obligatory	Turkish	B	48	102	3
Contemporary Philosophical Schools	Dr. Atakan Derelioğlu	Obligatory	Turkish/English	B	48	102	3
Sociology of Religion	Dr. Atakan Derelioğlu	Obligatory	Turkish/English	C	48	102	3
Electives				D	48	102	3
Total					240	510	15


Semester II

Nr.	Course Code	Subject	Lecturer of the course	Type of course	Language	Group	Lectures/ Seminars
1	ISC 598	Thesis		Obligatory	Albanian/Turkish/ English/ Arabic	F	48

Electives


Nr.	Course Code	Subject	Lecturer of the course	Type of course	Language	Group	Lectures/ Seminars
1	ISC 511	Issues in the Methodology of Islamic Jurisprudence	Prof. Dr. Ayhan Tekineş	Obligatory	Turkish/Arabic	D	48
2	ISC 521	Issues in the Islamic History	Dr. Selman Kuzu	Obligatory	Turkish	D	48

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Type of Activity (A-F)	Subject/Module	Credits	Sum
Activity in the disciplines of general formation (A)	Research Methods	6	12
	Research Methods in Social Sciences	6	
Activity in the disciplines characterizing formation (B)	Essential Issues of Philosophy of Religion	6	66
	Essential Issues of the Science of Hadith	6	
	History of Comparative Religions	6	
	Essential Issues of the Methodology of Islamic Jurisprudence	6	
	Religion and Science	6	
	Interpretation Methods of Tafsir	6	
	Schools of Tafsir	6	
	Seminar	6	
	Sociology of Religion	6	
	Modern Kelam Problems	6	
Problems of Religious Education	6		

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Activity in similar disciplines and / or integration (C)	Contemporary Philosophical Schools	6	6
Activity in the disciplines of choice (D)	Essential Issues of the Methodology of Islamic Jurisprudence	6	6
	Issues in the Islamic History	6	
Thesis (F)		30	30

General formation: 12 ECTS
 Basic formation: 66 ECTS
 Similar Subjects: 6 ECTS
 Elective subjects: 6 ECTS
 Micro thesis: 30 ECTS

Article 7

Powers and special educational objectives of each educational activity

Powers and formative objectives of each subject, part of curricula, is provided in the respective syllabi.

Article 8


Credits and prohibitive duties on any discipline teaching or other educational activity

Programs of study in the first cycle, which allow admission to the program "Master of Science" in Modern Islamic Sciences:

a. *Without supplementation of formative knowledge before entering the program of study:*

From the same Higher Education Institution	Academic program	Credits to meet
Programs of first cycle which do not require supplementation of the formative knowledge	Islamic Sciences	0 Credits

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From the other Higher Education Institution	Academic program	Credits to meet
Programs of first cycle which do not require supplementation of the formative knowledge	Islamic Sciences	0 Credits

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b. Supplement of educational knowledge before entering the program:


Students who do not obtain sufficient result in exclusion from taking examinations of Arabic language courses, which are held every year in the Department of Islamic Sciences of HEI “Hëna e Plotë” Bedër, is obliged to fulfill the following subjects for admission to Master of Science program in Modern Islamic Sciences at the HEI “Hëna e Plotë” Bedër.


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From the same Higher Education Institution	Academic program	Subjects	Credits to meet
Program or programs of the first cycle for which the fulfillment of educational formative knowledge is required, coupled with the number of credits to be completed.	1. Communication Sciences	Arabic I	10 ECTS
	2. Law	Arabic II	10 ECTS
	3. Islamic Science		
From other Higher Education Institution	Academic program	Subjects	Credits to meet
	4. Turkish Language and Literature		
	5. Turkish Language and Literature		
	6. Education Science		
	Total	2 Subjects	20 ECTS

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	Totali	2 Lëndë	20 ECTS

Article 9

Recognition of credits for previously acquired knowledge

In accordance with the legislation in force, the Scientific Committee may recognize as university qualifications for Studies Program Cycle II "Master of Science" in Modern Islamic Sciences up to 40 ECTS credits of formative knowledge and activities previously earned by the student, which are consistent with the specific objectives of the program.

Article 10

Form of study, examinations and other verifications of knowledge acquired by students

The study program consists of 15 subjects and diploma thesis, which takes place at the end of the study programs of second cycle.

1 academic year has 32 weeks of teaching in the audience, including the week of exams

1 semester has 16 teaching weeks in the audience, including the week of exams

1 ECTS = 25 hours of student work

1 hour lesson = 60 minutes

The student realizes every year not less than 1500 hours.

The program is organized in two academic years, divided into four semesters


An academic year is 60 ECTS

Teaching process consists of lectures and seminars, which are mainly provided in an integrated manner, projects / tasks, and other similar works provided in the curriculum as well as relevant syllabi of courses.

Assessment under the European system of transfer of credits (ECTS) from the academic lectures / seminars, projects / tasks, and other similar works is done on the basis of the developed measuring unit in the auditorium hours.

The value of credits under the American system of assessing a subject consists of the sum of all weekly hours of


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theoretical lectures and half of weekly hours of applications, labs, projects and work in the parlor.

The level of success of the student is assessed on the basis of semester examinations; course assignments; presentations; participation and projects. On the proposal of relevant program managers and with the decision of the Scientific Committee, the student is entitled to entering the semifinal exam, if he/she could not enter during the year for justifiable reasons and documented within seven days of the exam.

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Article 11

Attendance

Students in the program have an obligation to follow at least 70% of educational and research activities conducted and developed in the auditorium of theoretical and practical subjects. Students which fail to meet these rates of attendance must retake again those subjects with all relevant obligations.

Filling or not the conditions with regard to participation, is presented by the instructor of the course each month to the coordinator of the program and is checked by the Head of Department.


Article 12

Transfer students

Quotes for transfer students to Master of Science Program in Modern Islamic Sciences are defined by the Scientific Committee and approved by the Council of Administration and Faculty, based on the principles established by the Council.

Students, who have completed a semester in a program of study of second cycle, may apply to the Secretary of Education within the time specified in the academic calendar, to be transferred in the Master of Science Program in Modern Islamic Sciences, in accordance with the principles set by the Senate. The request is reviewed by the Scientific Committee of the program and Council of Administration of Faculty takes a decision. The student who wants to transfer to Master of Science Program in Modern Islamic Sciences at HEI “Hëna e Plotë” Bedër must, in addition to meeting all criteria established for admission to second cycle programs, submit a written request to the Scientific Committee of the program, which apply for recognition of credits earned in the preceding program.

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The student who wants to transfer to Master of Science Program in Modern Islamic Sciences from other institutions of higher education within and outside the country, must in addition to meeting the above criteria, coupled with the application for transfer, submit a relevant document with the official grades and subjects taken at the institution of origin.

After submitting the above documentation, Scientific Committee of the program reviews the request for recognition of credits and assesses the compatibility of the curriculum on the basis of the documentation submitted by the applicant and takes appropriate decision.

Students transferred to this program are awarded a degree provided that they have completed at least two semesters in HEI “Hëna e Plotë” Bedër.

Article 13

Number of students

The minimum number of students in the program "Master of Science" in Modern Islamic Sciences is six and maximum is fifty.

Article 14

Conditions of acceptance

To be admitted to the study program "Master of Science" in Modern Islamic Sciences, any local or foreign nationals applying for the program need to have completed studies at a university for a Bachelor degree. Preferably those students who have completed the cycle of studies Bachelor in Islamic Science or similar program.

Article 15


Assessment of academic staff

Assessment of titles of academic staff is competence of Islamic Sciences department and is conducted in public.

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Thesis Supervision

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Students attending these study programs have a supervisor for research and thesis to prepare for graduation at the end of this cycle of studies. Supervisor of the thesis has at least the scientific degree "Doctor". The supervisor does not supervise more than ten (10) students simultaneously in offered topics of study programs in the fields of social sciences and humanities. Field studies and research on which supervisor is specialized is in line with the field study which is provided in the study program. The supervisor has advanced theoretical knowledge and specific research skills in the field in which the study program is provided and where thesis is projected.

Article 17 Level of English

Students of study program in question provide up to graduation exam of English on the basis of internationally recognized tests. Study programs "Master of Science" and integrated programs of the second cycle, level of English is C1, according to the European Framework for Languages.

CHAPTER 3 FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 15 Implementation

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its adoption by the Supreme Council of HEI “Hëna e Plotë” Bedër. The implementation of this regulation is provided by the Rector.

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