Brief Course Descriptions

Course Title & No.	Brief Course Description
Syntax & Morphology I 0405201	This course aims at studying some basic aspects of Syntax and Morphology, including Parts of Speech, the Indeclinable and the uninflected, the Definite and the Indefinite, the Nominal Sentence, the Verbal Sentence and the Annular. The course also includes Arabic morphological topics, such as Derivation and its types, Morphological Meter, the Unaugmented and the Augmented. The course focuses on application and practice to help students in applying the rules of language in reading, writing and speaking.
Rhetoric 0405210	This course aims at studying the concept of Rhetoric, its functions and aspects, and includes familiarizing students with the most prominent Arab rhetoricians who established Rhetoric, and illuminating the most important influences that helped developing its concepts. The course focuses on the categories of Arabic Rhetoric: Rhetoric, Metaphors, and Semantics, and tries to link Arabic Rhetoric with Stylistics and Modern Rhetoric.
Classical Arabic Literature 0405211	This course aims at familiarizing students with the Classical Arabic Literature, both verse and prose, and the most prominent cultural, intellectual, and social influences. The course includes the study of the environment of verse and its artistic and objective trends through the study of poetic texts in terms of artistic structure, and poetic experience, such as the oldest collections of Ancient Arabic Poems, Love Poetry, Polemic Poems, the Postclassical form of Arabic Poetry (Muwashah), and the Poetry of Victory, in addition to the study of Arabic Prose through the study of Oratory, Letters, Arabic Rhythmic Prose (Makamat), Stories, and Debates. The course focuses on analyzing literary texts from different epochs and demonstrating their contents and artistic characteristics.
Prosody 0405212	This course aims at studying Prosody in terms of its subject, and the reasons for its establishment, and its foundations. It includes the study of terminologies of this science, the pretexts, and rhyme, focusing on the movements of innovation in the Arabic rhyme scheme, both in the past and in the present.
Modern Arabic Literature 0405310	This course aims at familiarizing students with the most prominent literary arts, both in Verse and in Prose, in all literary epochs through the brief study of a variety of literary texts. It includes the study of the stages of the development of literary texts and their artistic and objective characteristics. The course focuses on the study of the development of Modern Arabic Poetry and its most important artistic trends, prominent among which are: the Revival School, and the Council (Diwan) School, in addition to the study of rising of the prose arts and their development and characteristics.
Children Literature 0405311	This course aims at familiarizing students with the concept of Children's Literature and its aspects. It includes literary forms which suit the different characteristics of the development of children, such as the story, the Dolls' Theatre, songs, and short Rhymes, and the conditions and characteristics of writing for children. It focuses on the methods of teaching children the story, drama, anecdotes and essays, and the use of children's literature media in teaching, such as audios and videos, the children's theatre, books, magazines, and newspapers. The course includes analysis of samples of children's literature, and the development of the criteria for the selection of the appropriate book for children.

Literary Criticism 0405312	The Literary Criticism course aims at the study of the history of literary criticism, its sources and approaches with the Arabs, both in the past and in the present, and the stages it went through. It includes the most prominent critical issues, such as pronunciation and meaning, poetic plagiarism, the unity of the poem, and the theory of versification. The student learns about the most prominent modern schools of criticism, such as Classicism, Romanticism, Realism, and other modern trends, besides studying the most important figures of criticism, both in the past and at present, and the issues that were raised about the nature and function of literature. It focuses on the selection of critical texts that represent the critical topics and issues in the past and present and their analysis.
Syntax & Morphology II 0405401	This course aims at studying the complements related to the Arabic sentence, and the Arabic Morphological issues. It includes the study of the five objects, the circumstantial accusative, exception, the vocation, number, specification, appositives, causality, substitution, diminution, and reference. It focuses on application and practice which help in the use of grammar in reading, writing and speaking.
Linguistics 0405402	This course aims at studying Arabic Language Philology. It includes the study of the characteristics of the Semitic languages and the characteristics of Arabic, and the old Arabic accents and their differences in terms of sound, morphology, and semantics. The includes the study of the sources of linguistic argument and the linguistic development in sound and meaning and the ways of linguistic development in Arabic, such as derivation (declension), synonymy, homonymy, antonymy, substitution, and inversion. It focuses on basic concepts in Modern Linguistics, such as the surface structure and the deep structure of an utterance, stylistic analysis, textual analysis and other concepts that are essential for this field.
Qur'anic Rhetoric 0405403	This course aims to analyze the expressive styles in the Qur'anic text in terms of pronunciation, structure, and context. It includes practical study of the following approaches: artistic and linguistic view, the expressive semantic view, the literary structure, and the unity in the Qur'anic text. The course focuses on the beauty of the Qur'anic word, personification and metaphor, the concept of the artistic imagery in the Qur'anic parable and the Qur'anic story, the rhythm of the division between verses. This course hopes to link the Qur'anic meanings with the practical, civilized, psychological and social situations in life.
Language Practice 0405404	This course aims at studying the functional and practical aspects of the Arabic Language through the study of oral and written applications on the topics of syntax, morphology, rhetoric and prosody. It includes linguistic exercises in writing, such as dictation, punctuation, and common grammatical and spelling mistakes, by studying Qur'anic texts and eloquent texts in terms of construing, analysis and appreciation. The course focuses on training on the different forms of written and oral expression, essay, research, reports, summary writing, speech and debates, and application on rhetoric in metaphor, eloquence, and rhetoric, in addition to reinforcing the learner's knowledge of the most prominent arts of creative expression, such as the writing of short stories, autobiographies, literary essay and other forms of creative arts.
Recitation and Cantillation 0406201	This course aims at acquainting the student with the skill of the correct reading of the Holy Qur'an through the mastery of the rules of recitation. It includes the explanation of the meaning of recitation, its importance and principles, the rules of seeking the protection of Allah from Satan and opening the reading with the name of Allah (Isti'athah and Basmalah), the rules of reading the Holy Qur'an and its stages, the mastery of the basic rules of recitation, the explanation of the pronouncing the letters and their intrinsic characteristics, emphasis and softening of letters. It also concentrates on putting that into practice on Al-Bakara Sura, and assigning students to memorize the thirtieth section of the Holy Qur'an.

The Islamic Doctrine 0406202	This course aims at understanding the issues of the Islamic creed and refuting the doubts raised about it, and seek the views of the scholars about them. It includes familiarizing students with the science of the Islamic creed, its emergence, development and sources, and divisions. It also deals with the existence of Allah, His Oneness and Attributes, the deeds of human beings and their relationship with fate and destiny, with prophet hood and the message, and what can be said about the messengers, and what is possible and what is impossible, the hereafter and what it entails of resurrection, judgment, paradise and hellfire. It also deals with the Holy Books, focusing on the effect of the correct Islamic creed on the life of the individual and society.
Fiqh of Islamic Preaching 0406203	This course aims at demonstrating the importance of Islamic Call, and its role in educating the Muslim. It includes the history of the Islamic call, its foundations, approaches, methods, principles, characteristics, objectives, and problems in the light of reason and narration, and people's need for it, and the rules and principles related to enjoining good and prohibiting evil, the knowledge of foundations akills and rules for calling to Allah in all its forms. It focuses on the need of the Muslim who calls to Allah to properly use the technical, scientific research methods that suit t5he requirements of the age. It also concentrates on the student's application of what he/she learns in the classroom, the mosque, or the studio.
Women and Children in Islam 0406210	This course aims at demonstrating the position of the woman and child in Islam, and comparing it with their counterparts in other former civilizations and religions, and clarifying the rights and duties of the woman and child in Islam. It also includes pointing to the most prominent challenges facing the Muslim woman at present, and the rules governing children in Islam. It focuses on the contemporary juristical issues related to the Muslim woman.
Hadith Studies 0406301	This course aims at demonstrating the efforts of the scholars in the service of the Prophet's Tradition. It includes acquainting the student with the term of science of the Traditions, its emergence, and its most important books. It talks about the Accepted tradition and the Rejected Tradition and the kinds of each, and the characteristics of the person whose narration is accepted and that whose narration is rejected, and the conditions of the acceptability of the narrator, and the ranks of invalidation and acceptability, the narration and its rules, the forms of utterance, the ethics of the narrator and the student. It focuses on demonstrating the kinds of the prophetic tradition and its rank.
Qur'anic Studies 0406303	This course aims at acquainting students with the Book of Allah, the knowledge of how to understand it and interpret it. It includes demonstrating the rise of the "Science of the Qur'an", definition of the Revelation and its stages, knowledge of what was revealed first, what was revealed in Mecca and what was revealed in Medina, the reason of the revelation, the collection of the Holy Qur'an, the order of its verses and Suras, its revelation in seven accents, the difference between the perspicuous and the allegorical, the general and the particular, the restricted and the unrestricted, the abolisher and the abolished, the explication and the interpretation. It focuses on showing the methods of interpretation and those of the interpreters who interpret according to the Transmitted and those who interpret according to their opinions, and showing the criteria for each.

Analytical Studies in the Sunnah 0406305	This course aims at studying the history of the Tradition of the Prophet in terms of its memorization, and the care it received at the hands of the companions and those who followed them. It demonstrates the efforts they put into its service by writing, classifying and explaining it. It includes demonstrating the state of the Tradition during the time of the Prophet (peace be on him), the methods in which the companions received it. Also during the time of the well-directed Khalifahs and those after them until the end of the first Hijri century, and the stages of writing down the tradition, the critical criteria for its narration and publication, the position of some Islamic factions towards traditions narrated by individuals and the rules of referring to them. It also focuses on debating the enemies of Islam concerning the doubts they raised about the Tradition, and refuting their lies.
Principles of Fiqh 0406310	This course aims at acquainting the student with the foundations and principles of the science of the Foundations of Fiqh so that he/she may elicit the injunction of the law. This course includes the definition of the science of the Foundations, demonstrating its significance, the injunction of the law and its kinds, defining the judge, the judged, and the basis on which the judgment is passed, the interpretation of texts, the kinds of utterance and its suggestiveness, and focuses on the methods of eliciting the injunctions of the law.
Fiqh of Transactions 0406311	This course aims at demonstrating the legal decision concerning a number of juristical issues, both old and contemporary, that people need in their lives. It includes the study of the rules related to sale and its kinds, usury, loans, lease, deposit, the troves, sharecropping, pledging, partnership and its kinds, and also the rules relating to bank transactions, money, and shares, bills, in addition to the study of the injunction of the law concerning human body transplants, cosmetic operations, birth control, artificial fertilization, leasing of wombs, usufruct marriage, common law marriage, and marriage through the internet. It focuses on the most reasonable opinions, supported by logical and textual evidence. It also focuses on forms of transactions and relationships most common in our lives, and provides examples from them.
Fiqh of Sira 0406401	This course aims at demonstrating the role og the biography of the prophet in understanding the nature of Islam. It includes a demonstration of the importance of studying the biography of the prophet and how it developed and its most important characteristics, and the reasons for selecting the Arab peninsula to be the cradle of the Final Message. It also casts light on the state of the world before the mission of the prophet, and includes an analytical study of the stages of the prophet's life from birth to death, his method of delivering the message. It focuses on the most important lessons to benefit from in our lives since the prophet's biography is an approach for the call to Islam and for the callers. The biography is also important for refuting the doubts raised about the Messenger (peace be on him), and also for studying the most important battles to show the real incentives behind them, and to make a brief study of the biographies of the well-directed Khalifahs.
The Fiqh of Worship 0406410	This course aims at demonstrating the importance of worships and the manners in which they are carried out correctly according to the references of Islamic fiqh, because they are duties that Allah Has ordered us to be committed to and to use the m as methods of showing obedience to Him. It includes the study of the injunctions of the law relating to purification, prayers, paying Zakat, fasting, and pilgrimage. It concentrates in particular on the basic rules relating to the pillars, conditions, and manner associated with evidence from the Qur'an and the tradition of the prophet.