

Two Year Adult Islamic Essentials Course for brothers & sisters in English

Mornings Wednesday – 9.30am to 11.00am

Evenings – 7:30pm – 9pm

Year One: 2023-2024

Greenbank Masjid

Overview of the Islamic Essentials Course

This two-year Islamic course is specifically designed for brothers and sisters wishing to study core Islamic subjects. Delivered in English, this comprehensive course will equip mature students with knowledge and deep understanding of Islam. Certification will be provided upon the completion of this course.

The course content has been carefully selected so that key topics are studied and essential subjects covered in a short period of time. The course will be delivered once a week for 1 ½ hours.

Lessons are delivered in English and will cover the study of the following subjects:

- Translation and Commentary of the Holy Qur'an
- Study of Fiqh
- Understanding of Aqaaid and Beliefs

On completion of this course students will have attained a sound understanding of the core tenets of Islam, which will equip them to meet the challenges of modern-day life as a Muslim without compromising their religion.

The course will help Muslim brothers and Sisters to learn about Islam from a foundation level to a higher level providing them with knowledge and understanding of Islam. This will enable students to conduct their life in accordance with the commands of Allah and the Sunnah of His Prophet ﷺ

We understand the demands of modern life and the busy lifestyle we live so we have deliberately kept lessons short but focused and rich but not overwhelming, ensuring that only very limited study outside of lessons is required.

By the end of the course students will have the satisfaction of practicing their Deen with the knowledge from the Qur'an and the Sunnah together with the ability to understand and translate parts of the Holy Qur'an and the Prophetic Hadith from Arabic.

Course Outline

Module 1

Qur'an Tafseer	
Tafsīr is the subject which deals with the interpretation and clear understanding of the verses of the Qur'ān.	
Book	Qur'an Made Easy – Arabic Text with English Translation
Objective	An introduction to the science of the Qur'an followed by the study of the English translation of the last 20 surahs of the Qur'an with brief commentary and more.

Module 2

Fiqh	
Fiqh is the study of Islamic law. This law is derived from four primary sources: the Holy Qur'ān, sayings of the Prophet ﷺ, the consensus of the jurists and legal analogy.	
Book	- Ascent to Felicity
Objective	Study the necessary Islamic Jurisprudence relating to the laws of purification followed by Salah, Zakat, Fasting & Hajj and more.

Module 3

Aqida	
Aqīdah is the science that details the Muslim creed which are known through revelation and must be believed in with conviction. The acceptance of all actions is dependent on having the correct beliefs.	
Book	- Al-Aqida al-Tahawiyya - English translation with explanations of the key articles of faith.
Objective	To learn the important tenets of creed that differentiates between Ahle al-Sunnah wa al-Jama'ah from others as explained in Al-Aqida al-Tahawiyya. To examine the basis of the Ahle al-Sunnah creedal positions based upon the Qur'an and Sunnah.

Who is the Target Audience for this Course?

This course is ideal for brothers and sisters who wish to acquaint themselves with the foundations of Islamic studies. It is an opportunity for students who have completed the Maktab syllabus and wish to progress further in learning Islamic studies.

Course Details

Classes will take place on Wednesdays 9:30am -11am for sisters only
And 7:30pm – 9pm for brothers & sisters

Duration of Course

2 years of study.

This course runs during school term times only.

The academic year will commence in September and end in July.

Course Start Date

Wednesday 6th September 2023

Venue

Greenbank Masjid

Location

Greenbank Masjid, Greenbank Road, BS5 6HE

Holidays

Madrassa will remain closed during school term holidays, special Islamic days and on public holidays. A full list of holidays will be made available on commencement of the course.

Course Fees

The annual course fee is **£200.00** per student.

Payment will be expected as follows:

Payment	Date Of Payment	Amount
1	1 st September 2023	£120.00
2	1 st January 2024	£120.00

Course Material Requirement

Each student will be required to buy study books mentioned above. Further details will be provided together with information about where these books can be purchased. The Madrassa will also hold a limited stock of study books for students who wish to purchase them directly from us. Students will require stationary and writing books.

Teaching Method

Teachers will work through the study books with students and explain to them concepts and theories. Learning will be supported by an open environment for questions, answers and material handouts.

Timetable September 2023 (Subject to change)

Wednesdays

Times	Lesson No	Subject
9.30 – 10.00	Lesson 1	Fiqh
10.00 – 10.30	Lesson 2	Tafseer
10.30 – 11.00	Lesson 3	Aqidah

Suggested Reading

- Ma'ariful Quran, Detailed Commentary of the Noble Quran by Mufti Muhammad Shafi' – English translation
- Heavenly Ornaments [Bahishti Zewar] by Shaykh Ashraf Ali Thanwi, translated by Maulana Muhammad Mahomedy
- Aqaaidul Islam (Beliefs) by Moulana Idris Kaandhlawi – English translation
- Al-Aqida al-Tahawiyya - English translation & Commentary by MI Fahim Hoosen
- Aqeedatul Tahawi by Moulana Qari Muhammad Tayyib RA – English translation

Further information

To enroll, or for further information, please contact Maulana Hamzah Varachhia at Greenbank Masjid on Mobile (whatsapp or text): 07552363848 or email: hamzah@greenbankbristol.org

Note: please allow up to 24hrs on weekdays for a response.