

# Islamic Studies

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<b>Overview:</b>	see course overview																																	
<b>Objectives:</b>	Students who complete the postgraduate diploma will have an understanding of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># methodological issues in several key areas of Islamic studies;</li> <li># the philosophical and theoretical underpinnings of Islamic perspectives on the social sciences such as education, economics, anthropology, politics and sociology;</li> <li># major trends of contemporary Islamic thought and the social, political, and historical context within which this thought is shaped;</li> <li># contemporary attempts at reform;</li> <li># how to design and write a preparatory research dissertation on an Islamic studies topic;</li> <li># key issues that arise in interdisciplinary contexts of research in Islamic studies.</li> </ul>																																	
<b>Structure &amp; Available Subjects:</b>	The Postgraduate Diploma in Arts in this area of specialisation requires: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># Thesis 12,000 words (37.5 points)</li> <li># one compulsory subjects (12.5 points)</li> <li># four core/elective subjects, two of which must be core (50 points)</li> </ul> Total 100 points - subjects are 12.5 points each, unless indicated otherwise.																																	
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	ASIA90001 Human Rights in Southeast Asia	Semester 2	12.50
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