

# Master's Program in Tafsir and Quranic Sciences

## Objectives

- Facilitate the learning of Islamic Studies without compromising the quality of outcomes.
- Graduate qualified teachers with high competence in teaching the Holy Quran and its sciences.
- Equip teachers with knowledge of Tafsir, its foundations, and the sciences of the Quran, enabling them to grasp at least its basic meanings.
- Give teachers the ability to respond to doubts raised about the Holy Quran, its revelation, and its rulings, even at a minimal level.
- Develop students' research capabilities and train them in various research methods.

## Program Requirements

- Commitment to applying the rules and regulations adopted by the institution and related to the program.
- Regular attendance in accordance with the approved study plan.
- Live attendance of no less than 70% of lectures, and participation in activities and events related to the program.
- Providing the institution with all required documents and paying the due fees.
- Achieving the required graduation grade (70% or higher).

## Career Fields for Graduates

- Religious preaching and guidance (Da'wah and Irshad).
- Teaching in Islamic centers and educational institutions.
- Delivering lessons and sermons, holding Quranic tafsir study circles, and Friday sermons (Khutbahs).
- Working in research centers at universities and institutions specialized in the field of the Quran and its sciences.
- Managing Islamic affairs departments in various institutions, whether governmental or non-governmental.

## Study Plan for the Master's Program in Tafsir and Quranic Sciences

### Number of Credit Hours for the Master's Stage

The number of credit hours required for the master's stage is (57) study hours.

### Study System

- The student studies three academic semesters, at a rate of five courses per semester.
- The student is also required to take one course in Quran memorization and one course in recitation.

### First Semester Courses

| Course Code | Course Name                                               | Course Type | Credit Units |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| MA.600      | Analytical Tafsir                                         | Required    | 3            |
| MA.605      | Thematic Tafsir                                           | Required    | 3            |
| MA.610      | Foundations of Tafsir (Usul al-Tafsir)                    | Required    | 3            |
| MA.615      | Sciences of the Quran                                     | Required    | 3            |
| MA.620      | Introduction to the Science of Qira'at (Quranic Readings) | Required    | 3            |

## Second Semester Courses

| Course Code | Course Name                                         | Course Type | Credit Units |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| MA.625      | Research Methodology                                | Required    | 3            |
| MA.630      | History of Tafsir                                   | Required    | 3            |
| MA.635      | Linguistic Studies                                  | Required    | 3            |
| MA.640      | Isra'iliyyat (Judeo-Christian Narrations in Tafsir) | Required    | 3            |
| MA.645      | Rules of Preponderance (Tarjih) in Tafsir           | Required    | 3            |

## Third Semester Courses

| Course Code | Course Name                                 | Course Type | Credit Units |
|-------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| MA.650      | Methodologies of the Exegetes (Mufasssirun) | Required    | 3            |
| MA.655      | Doubts and Responses Concerning the Quran   | Required    | 3            |
| MA.660      | Inimitability (I'jaz) of the Quran          | Required    | 3            |
| MA.665      | Verses of Legal Rulings (Ayat al-Ahkam)     | Required    | 3            |
| MA.670      | Comparative Tafsir                          | Required    | 3            |

## Third Semester Courses (continued) — Recitation and Memorization

| Course Code | Course Name                                | Course Type | Credit Units |
|-------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| MA.675      | Recitation of the Last Five Parts (Ajza')* | Required    | 6            |
| MA.680      | Quran Memorization Course                  | Required    | 6            |
| MA.685      | To Be Determined                           | —           | —            |
| MA.690      | To Be Determined                           | —           | —            |

\* This course must be completed no later than two months before finishing the other study courses.

\*\* The administration may determine supplementary materials in line with the institution's vision and the student's academic background. A Pass/Fail (P or F) grade may be adopted.

### Total Courses of the Master's Program in Tafsir and Quranic Sciences

| Total Required | Quranic Sciences Courses | Recitation Course | Memorization Course | Arabic Language / Remedial Courses |
|----------------|--------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|
| 19             | 15                       | 2                 | 2                   | —                                  |