



Master of Science in Islamic Finance

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- The innovative new program has been developed in order to offer students a unique opportunity to enjoy a strong multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary graduate education across a range of core subjects, while also enabling them to pursue specialist study in one of a range of important areas within the field of Islamic Finance. Specialist areas of concentration include, but are not limited to, Banking Operations and Risk Management, and Corporate Finance and Asset Management.
- The mixed philosophy of the program enables graduates to attain the skills needed to understand the global financial system and proposing viable alternatives to existing models by blending guidance from Sharia with the modern scientific knowledge and techniques of economics and finance.
- This popular master's program is one of an extremely limited number of top-tier specialized Islamic Finance programs globally.

Program Focus

Islamic banking in Qatar constitutes approximately 25% of the local banking activity. The MSc in Islamic Finance program is focused on giving graduate students a greater understanding of the practical business applications of Sharia.

By emphasizing practical as well as theoretical aspects of Islamic finance, students learn to become better prepared to address the global opportunities of conducting business and finance.

Curriculum

A 36-credit degree program taught over 2 years in English that includes:

- **A two-course Program Foundation in:**
 - Islamic Thought
 - Islamic Ethics
 - **Three Program Core Courses in:**
 - Islamic Financial Contracts
 - Islamic Economics and Development in Theory and Practice
 - Islamic Banking and Financial Markets in Theory and Practice
 - **A choice of two different concentrations:**
 - Islamic Banking and Risk Management
 - Islamic Corporate Finance and Asset Management
 - **A nine-credit thesis in the area of each student's concentration**
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Research

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- [Qatar Environment and Energy Research Institute \(QEERI\)](#)
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- [Qatar Computing Research Institute \(QCRI\)](#)