Module Title: Aḥkām

Module Code: FIQAHK
Course Duration: 17 Weeks
Teaching Method: 2 units/week
Credits: 10

Overview:

This module aims to gives students a thorough grounding in substantive knowledge of *aḥkām shar ʿiyya* and the technical terminology (*isṭilāḥāt*) of the discourse as found in the classical work of *Al-Lum ʿa Al-Dimashqiyya* of Shahīd al-Awwal. Each weekly session (2 units) will be divided into two parts. The first part will consist of an English based lecture orientating the students to the central issues of the theme under consideration, their most relevant *aḥkām*, and a discussion of the relevant Arabic terminology and English equivalents for these terms. The second part of each week's session will engage with a close reading (*taṭbīq*) of selected passages from the core text.

Syllabus:

1. Kitāb al-Ṭahāra
2. Kitāb al-Ṣalāt (al-Yawmiyya)
3. Kitāb al-Ṣalāt (al-Jamāʿa, al-Musāfir, al-Jumuʿa, al-ʿĪdayn)
4. Kitāb al-Ṣawm
5. Kitāb al-Khums; Kitāb al-Zakāt
6. Kitāb al-Ḥajj
7. Kitāb al-Jihād; Kitāb al-Amr bil Maʿrūf wa al-Nahi ʿan al-Munkar
8. Kitāb al Qaḍā; Kitāb al- Shahādāt
9. Kitāb al-Waqf; Kitāb al-ʿAṭiyya
10. Kitāb al-Matājir
11. Kitāb al-Dayn; Kitāb al-Rahn, Kitāb al-Ṣulḥ
12. Kitāb al-Shirka; Kitāb al-Muḍāraba
13. Kitāb al-Ijāra, Kitāb al-Wikāla; Kitāb al-Juʿala
14. Kitāb al-Nikāḥ
15. Kitāb al-Ṭalāq; Kitāb al-Khulʿ wa al-Mubārāt
16. Kitāb al-Ṣayd wa al-Dhabīḥa; Kitāb al-Aṭʿima wa al-ashriba
17. Kitāb al-Mīrāth

Learning outcomes:

On completion of this module, the successful student will have:

- Developed a knowledge base of all the major substantive *aḥkām shar ʿiyya* as presented in a classical Imāmī work.

- Acquired knowledge of key terminology and jargon employed in the description of *aḥkām*, both in Arabic and English.

- Acquired skills to enable him/her access to more advanced works of *aḥkām* and *fiqh* from primary Arabic sources.

Assessment Weighting:

100% end of semester examination assessing substantive knowledge of *aḥkām* and *fiqhī* terminology in Arabic and English

Learning Materials:

Core Texts:

Muḥammad ibn Jamāl al-Dīn Makkī al-Amilī, (al-Shahīd al-Awwal), *Al-Lumʿa Al-Dimashqiyya*, (Qom, Dar al-Fikr, 1412 A.H.)

Further reading

ʿAllāma Ḥillī, *Tabṣirat al-Mutaʿallimīn fī Aḥkām al-Dīn*, (Qom, Majmaʿ al-Dhakhāʾir al-Islāmiyya, 1998)

Al-ʿUrwat al-Wuthqā maʿa Taʿlīq al-Sayyid al-Sīstānī (N.P. Makatabat Sayyid al-Sīstānī, 1425 A.H.)