

# HUMN 3047 HISTORY OF MUSLIM CIVILISATIONS AND IDEAS

**Credit Points** 10

**Legacy Code** 102184

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**Description** This subject focuses on intellectual, societal, institutional and technological developments within the Muslim world. It looks at comparisons and interconnections between regions and peoples and outlines the history and context of Muslim political thought from the death of Mohamed to the contemporary period. The subject will have a strong historiographical focus that examines 'Islamic data-sets' and assesses the concepts of primary and secondary source materials which conventionally are used to construct interpretations of the past.

**School** Humanities & Comm Arts

**Discipline** History

**Student Contribution Band** HECS Band 4 10cp

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**Level** Undergraduate Level 3 subject

## Restrictions

Successful completion of 60 credit points of study in currently enrolled program.

## Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:

1. Demonstrate comprehension of Muslim political past leading up to the present
2. Recognise and describe key figures and events that relate to the dynamic and changing relationship between Muslim and non-Muslim civilisations
3. Analyse and comprehend the history of scholarship and approaches to the study of Muslim political thought
4. Apply historical conceptual and methodological approaches to the study of Muslim civilisations and ideas
5. Identify significant influences and changes in the process of historical development and impact of civilisational components and ideas to the present age

## Subject Content

- 1 Religion, Civility, Politics
- 2 Al-Farabi The Second Master
- 3 Ibn Sina The Highest Truth
- 4 Al-Ghazali Incoherence of Philosophers
- 5 Ibn Rushd Incoherence of Incoherence
- 6 Nasir al-Tusi Jurisprudence and Philosophy
- 7 Ibn Taymiyya Absolutism of Religious Law
- 8 Ibn Khaldun Human Civilisation
- 9 Afghani Islamic Political Ascendancy
- 10 Iqbal Reconstruction of Religious Thought
- 11 Qutb Islamic Subjectivism
- 12 Shariati Islamic Synthesis

13 Taha The Second Message

## Assessment

The following table summarises the standard assessment tasks for this subject. Please note this is a guide only. Assessment tasks are regularly updated, where there is a difference your Learning Guide takes precedence.

Type	Length	Percent	Threshold	Individual/ Group Task	Mandatory
Essay	1,500 words	45	N	Individual	Y
Essay	2,500 words	55	N	Individual	Y

## Prescribed Texts

- Tolan, John, Henry Laurens, and Gillens Veinstein. Europe and the Islamic World: A History. Princeton, New Jersey: Princeton University Press, 2013.

## Teaching Periods

## Autumn (2025) Bankstown City

### On-site

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