Islamic Theology
@ Tübingen

The Center for Islamic Theology provides a broad and in-depth study program. Due to its rich content, the program prepares students for professional life. With an outstanding intra-university and international network, the Center provides an excellent environment for intensive interdisciplinary, inter-religious and inter-cultural exchange. The institute, which is located in a historic building in the town center, provides a library and a friendly atmosphere, which guarantees individual care and attention for its students.

The University of Tübingen
Innovative. Interdisciplinary. International. Since 1477. These have been the University of Tübingen’s guiding principles in research and teaching ever since it was founded. With this long tradition, the University of Tübingen is one of the most respected universities in Germany. Recently, its institutional strategy was successfully selected for funding in the Excellence Initiative sponsored by the German federal and state governments, making Tübingen one of Germany’s eleven universities distinguished with that title of excellence. Tübingen has also proven its status as a leading research university in many national and international competitions – in key rankings Tübingen is listed among the best universities for the Humanities and Social Sciences as well as for Science and Medicine.

The town of Tübingen
Tübingen does not have a university, it is a university: young, creative, open, innovative. The picturesque historical town center and its attractive on the Neckar River offer a high quality of life whether you are studying, working, or taking a break.

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Stage 1 introduces students to the methodology of Islamic Theology as well as the individual disciplines (History of Islam, Sira, Principles of the Qur’an and Hadith, Arabic and Islamic Literature, Islamic Law, Islamic Doctrine, Systematic Theology, Islamic Philosophy, Islamic Mysticism). Another focus is on the Arabic language. Also the foundations of religious education are taught, as well as interdisciplinary courses and the first professional skills qualification.

Stage 2 deepens the central methods and contents of the subject. Students acquire skills necessary for various professional fields. One of its most important components is the semester abroad and internships, that can be pursued in the fields of economy, education and culture.

CP: Credit Points

Elective Module 6 CP
Profile of the Program

The study program offers broad access to Islamic Studies. It combines questions of theology with those of the humanities and the cultural and social sciences. This includes working with religious textual sources as well as analyzing religious practice and its role in daily life. The program also examines Islam in German and European contexts and provides inter-religious and intercultural competence.

The major disciplines of the study program are:
- Arabic
- Qur’an and Qur’anic Studies
- Hadith and Prophetic Tradition
- Islamic Doctrine and Systematic Theology
- Islamic Law (sources and legal theory, history of law)
- Islamic History and Contemporary Culture
- Islamic Religious Education
- Islamic Philosophy, Mysticism and Ethics
- Inter-religious Studies

Students of Islamic Theology will be given the chance to spend one semester abroad at one of our partner institutions.

Interdisciplinary research is an integral part of the Bachelor’s program, preparing our graduates for their professional career.

Career Options

The study program provides the technical and methodological expertise that qualifies for theological, religious, educational and pastoral activities in mosques. In addition, graduates of Islamic Theology have many career opportunities in research, politics, economy, public relations and other areas of society. Other career possibilities include integration and migration work, cultural management, adult education and consultancy in the fields of social pedagogy or psychology.

Admission Requirements

General Requirements
To apply for the Bachelor’s program in Islamic Theology you need a university entrance qualification (Abitur or technical university). A university degree also entitles you to take this course. Prospective students from abroad must have the equivalent of a university entrance qualification.

Religious Affiliation
The study program in Islamic Theology is open to students of all faiths and none.

Language Skills
Applicants must have an excellent command of the German language, as nearly all courses are in German. Some courses may be in English, applicants therefore also need good English language skills.

Information for Applicants

Admission Restriction
The Bachelor of Islamic Theology program will only take a limited number of applicants. Acceptance to the program works on the basis of an internal selection procedure. For further information please contact the Student Advisory Office.

Starting your Studies
The course program starts each winter semester. Applications for the first semester have to be made online. Access to the online application will be possible from early May. Application deadline is July 15.

Changing
It is possible to switch from the B. A. in Islamic Theology to the Islamic Religious Education teaching degree within the first four semesters.

Keywords
Islamic Theology, Islam, Theology, Qur’an, Teaching, Religious Education, Sira, Imam, Mosque community, Mosque, Arabic, inter-religious

Start of studies/course: each winter semester
Standard period of studying: 8 semesters
Total amount: 240 ECTS Credit Points
Study year abroad: 5th semester
Language of instruction: German

Application Deadline: July 15 · Please send your application to:
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