

# **DIRECTORATE OF DISTANCE EDUCATION**



## **PROGRAMME GUIDE**

### **M.A. (ISLAMIC STUDIES)**

#### **Distance Mode**

#### **2022-2023**

**MAULANA AZAD NATIONAL URDU UNIVERSITY**

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## 1. About the University

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**Maulana Azad National Urdu University (MANUU)** is a Central University, established by an Act of Parliament with all India jurisdiction in 1998. The headquarters and main campus of MANUU is in Gachibowli, Hyderabad. It is spread over 200 acres. MANUU is recognized as a major higher education service provider across the remote areas of the country for marginalized and first generation learners of Urdu medium through its regular and distance mode programs. MANUU commenced with distance education programs in 1998 and consolidated its academic and research base in Urdu medium regular programs in 2004. The University is named after Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, the first Minister of Education of Independent India, a scholar par excellence, a prolific writer, an inimitable orator, a gallant freedom fighter, a visionary of the post independent Indian education system and an architect of technical and scientific education in Independent India.

Presently, MANUU is in the process of consolidating the existing institutions, while expanding it to reach the unreached through various intervention measures. Further, to meet the rising aspirations of its youth in general and Urdu speaking community in specific, the University is making considerable progress in all fronts of academics, research and governance with specific vision, mission and objectives.

### **Vision**

To provide access to quality education through Urdu as medium of instruction, while adhering to the inclusive policy.

### **Mission**

To empower socially, economically, educationally and culturally marginalized sections of society so that they are brought into the mainstream, and thereby contribute to the socio-economic development of the nation through formal and non-formal mode of educational delivery.

### **Mandate**

The Mandate of the University is:

- To promote and develop the Urdu language;
- To impart education and training in vocational and technical subjects through the medium of Urdu;
- To provide wider access to people desirous of pursuing programs of higher education and training in Urdu medium through teaching on the campus as well as through distance mode and
- To focus on women education.

## Objectives

- To provide good learning experience to the students through Urdu language with due emphasis on interactive and innovative teaching-learning as well as engagement in social outreach.
- To adhere to global best practices and bench marks in respect of academic and research outcomes and also outreach initiatives.
- To increase the student capacity to meet the growing demands of competent manpower in national and international markets.
- To augment the internal revenue/receipts through continuing education, sponsored research and consultancy.
- To improve the quality of life of impoverished millions by producing competent manpower who can contribute for the growth of National economy.
- To utilize the resources effectively and optimally

## 2. The Directorate of Distance Education (DDE)

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To achieve its mission of bringing socially, economically, educationally and culturally marginalized sections of society into the mainstream, the University has initiated distance mode programmes from its year of inception through Directorate of Distance Education popularly known as DDE. The objectives of Directorate of Distance Education are:

- To provide quality education to Urdu Speaking population at their door-steps.
- To integrate non-conventional Urdu learners with formal education system.
- To empower Urdu learners especially women by imparting quality education.
- To help learners acquire higher qualification for better career growth.
- To generate feeder group for the PG and research programs of MANUU on-campus mode.
- To enhance the gross enrolment ratio (GER) based on market needs, gaps and trends in addition to the societal demands.

The Directorate of Distance Education, MANUU operates through Regional and Sub Regional Centres located in 11-states of India as listed on the university's website. Each Regional/Sub Regional Centre (RC/SRC) provides academic and administrative support to distance learners through Study Centres (LSC).

## 3. Masters Degree Programme in Islamic Studies

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Welcome to the MANUU Education World of Islamic Studies!

### 3.1 Relevance of the Programme:

Islamic Studies with Maulana Azad National Urdu University (MANUU) offers what courses in traditional Islamic programmes cannot offer – making Islam relevant for the modern generation and realities of contemporary life in today’s world.

With our balanced methodology on education, we endeavor to ensure our students receive a holistic learning experience and acquire the necessary moral principles of serving their communities and wider society.

Our course is developed by reputed scholars of Islamic Studies with broad experience and knowledge in their respective fields.

As in the US and many European countries, there is a growing demand for Islamic Studies programmes in India on both UG and PG levels. Our programme is designed to meet the needs of such people.

### 3.2 Objectives of the Programme:

The objectives of the programme are as follows:

- To provide broad-based knowledge and critical skills in the areas of traditional and contemporary aspects of Islamic Studies.
- To encourage and foster the search for understanding Islamic tradition in the context of cultural and religious pluralism in contemporary India.
- To prepare individuals for leadership in serving today’s Muslim community in the best of their abilities.
- To provide access to adult level study in Islamic Studies.
- To enable the working target group to enhance their qualifications.
- To facilitate the women, who are confined to their homes, to empower themselves.
- To provide pathways for further learning at research levels.

M.A. (Islamic Studies) is one of the Post Graduate (PG) programmes offered by Directorate of Distance Education (DDE), Maulana Azad National Urdu University (MANUU), Hyderabad. DDE is offering M.A. Islamic Studies for the students who are interested for making a career in Islamic Studies and want to go ahead with research programmes in Islamic Studies discipline.

The M.A. Islamic Studies programme (Distance mode) is recognized by the University Grants Commission (UGC) - Distance Education Bureau (DEB), New Delhi. The syllabus, course structure and degree of the Distance Mode UG/PG programmes of Islamic Studies are same as the M.A. Islamic Studies under the Regular Mode, having equal value. Following is an outline of the Islamic Studies programme of MANUU.

### 3.3 Instructional System

<b>University</b>	Maulana Azad National Urdu University
<b>Programmes</b>	Postgraduate Programme (Masters in Islamic Studies)
<b>Duration</b>	Minimum 2 Years (4 Semesters), Maximum 4 years
<b>Examination</b>	Semester System
<b>Eligibility</b>	Bachelor's Degree or equivalent, in any stream, from a recognized university / institution
<b>Admission Process</b>	On-line direct admission - No entrance test
<b>Course Fee</b>	M.A. Programme: Rs. 6,200/- (Annual) + Rs. 300/- (Registration Fee)
<b>Job Opportunities</b>	Government/ Private Educational Institutions, Foreign Countries, etc.

## 4. Course Structure of M.A. (Islamic Studies)

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### 1<sup>st</sup> Semester

S. No.	Paper Title	Credit Points	Paper Code
1	Life of the Prophet and the Pious Caliphate	4	MAIS111CCT
2	The Qur'an and Hadith	4	MAIS112CCT
3	Islam and Modern Issues	4	MAIS113CCT
4	The Umayyad Period	4	MAIS114CCT

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester

S. No	Paper Title	Credit Points	Paper Code
1	Islamic Law and Islamic Mysticism	4	MAIS211CCT
2	The Abbasids and the Petty Dynasties	4	MAIS212CCT
3	Islam in India	4	MAIS213CCT
4	Indian Muslim Thinkers and Movements	4	MAIS215CCT

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Semester

S. No.	Paper Title	Credit Points	Paper Code
1	The Ottomans and the Petty Dynasties	4	MAIS312CCT
2	Contribution of non-Muslims to Islamic Studies	4	MAIS313CCT
3	Al-Kalam, Muslim Philosophy & Islamic Ideologies	4	MAIS314CCT
4	Islamic Beliefs, Rituals & Obligations	4	MAIS313DST

### 4<sup>th</sup> Semester

S. No.	Paper Title	Credit Points	Paper Code
1	Islam and Modern Trends	4	MAIS411CCT
2	Islam in Modern Age	4	MAIS412CCT
3	Islam and Interfaith Studies	4	MAIS414CCT
4	Arabic Language	4	MAIS412DST

## 5. Printed and Digital Study Material

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After the completion of the admission process, University provides study material (which is called Self Instructional Material (SLM) to the students. Soft copies of Self Learning Material (SLM) are also being provided to the learners through the University's website at the following web link: <http://manuu.edu.in/dde/self-learning-material>

### 5.1 Audio-Visual Programmes

A large repository of audio-visual educational programmes has already been prepared by the Instructional Media Centre (IMC) at MANUU and new lessons are regularly produced and uploaded. Students and LSCs can access the audio-visual resources of IMC at (<https://www.imcmanuu.com>). Furthermore, the students can also access the video lessons which are available on the university's YouTube Channel prepared by the Instructional Media Center, MANUU at (<http://youtube.com/imcmanuu>). The audio-visuals of the Islamic Studies programme are also available on the university's website.

### 5.2 Evaluation

The scheme of the evaluation is given in the Prospectus of the current year. The maximum marks are (100) in each paper. (70) marks are for the term-end examination and (30) marks for the assignments. The total number of assignments to be submitted and the deadlines for submission are given in the Prospectus of the current year. A candidate must score a minimum of (12) marks in each assignment and a minimum of (28) marks in each paper in the term-end examination to be declared pass in that paper.

### 5.3 Assignments

Assignments are an integral part of the evaluation. The assignments help the students to practice for the term-end examination and improve their writing skills. The continuous assessment ensures that the learners read the study material provided to them. Assignments must be handwritten in the candidates own hand writing and submitted at the Lerner Support Centre (Study Centre) before the last date of submission. From the Academic Year 2021-22, a system of online assignments has been introduced by the university by which the students can complete and submit the assignments online.

### 5.4 Instructions for Assignments

The detailed instructions for preparing and submission of assignments will be provided to the learners along with the assignment question paper each semester. Students must read and follow the instructions.

### 5.5 Guidelines for Submission of Assignments

The students must submit the assignments at the Lerner Support Centre (Study Centre) in which they are enrolled in. Students need not send the assignments to the DDE or University



headquarters or the Regional Centre. Acknowledgement of receipt of the assignments must be obtained from the Lerner Support Centre (Study Centre) and the same must be retained by the student till the declaration of pass in the examination. From the Academic Year 2021-22 the University has commenced the system of online assignments.

### **5.6 Term-end examination**

The term-end examination is held as per the schedule given in the Prospectus of the current year. The learner will have to pass in all the papers before the completion of the maximum duration of the programme. A student may move on to the next semester without passing in the current semester, with backlogs or without appearing in the examination. However, payment of fee for the following session is essential for follow-on admission.

### **5.7 Guidelines for term-end examination**

The candidates are advised to follow the examination guidelines available on the university website ([www.manuu.edu.in](http://www.manuu.edu.in)). Hall-ticket and the university student identity card must be in the possession of the learner to gain entry into the examination hall. Students must sign in the D-form and enter their respective answer book number.

## **6. Student Support Services**

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The University provides students support services for all its programmes/courses in person or by using distance mode of communication. A Student Support Services Unit (SSSU) has been established in the Directorate of Distance Education at the headquarters in Hyderabad for guidance of the students. All student related enquiries may be addressed to this Unit. The SSSU helps in terms of admission guidance, obtaining of the SLM (study material), audio-video lessons, assignments, examinations, migration and bona-fide certificates etc. The SSSU is also looking after the grievances of the students. The following dedicated help-lines are available for this purpose:

Phone Numbers: 040-23008463

Tollfree Number: 1800 425 2958 1800

E-mail: [ssu.dde@gmail.com](mailto:ssu.dde@gmail.com)

**SMS Service:** SMS services are available for various purposes like confirmation of admissions, fee payments, study materials etc.

**E-mail Services:** E-mail services are provided for all educational enquiries from the students or their parents. A student may use the email ID of the SSSU or email of the Course Coordinator/ Assistant Course Coordinator.

**Mail Service:** Students may enquire regarding their educational and other issues through conventional mail. The information will be provided to the best of their satisfaction.

**Telephone/ Mobile:** Students may contact on the given phone/ mobile numbers for any queries regarding educational guidance like admission, programmes and courses, study material, assignments, examinations, etc.

Phone/ Email of Director, DDE:

Telephone (Land line): 040-23008402/03/04

E-mail: [dir.dde@manuu.edu.in](mailto:dir.dde@manuu.edu.in)

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University website: [www.manuu.edu.in](http://www.manuu.edu.in)

DDE Link: <https://manuu.edu.in/dde/>

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Controller of Examinations  
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**Grievance Cell of Examination Branch:**

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## 7. Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

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### ➤ **Is MANUU M.A. Islamic Studies Programme Approved by Regulatory Bodies?**

Yes, M.A Islamic Studies programme is approved by the University Grants Commission and Distance Education Bureau which are higher regulatory bodies of the country.

### ➤ **What is the Eligibility for Distance M.A. Islamic Studies in MANUU?**

The candidate must hold a bachelor's degree or equivalent degree in any discipline from a recognised university/ institution.

### ➤ **Is there any age limit for admission in distance mode Islamic Studies programme?**

No, there is no age limit.

### ➤ **What is the Course Duration for MANUU Distance M.A. Islamic Studies?**

The duration of completing MANUU M.A. Islamic Studies programme is minimum 2 years and maximum 4 years. The students can complete the course in maximum 4 years. Hence, if a student fails to complete the course in 2 years for any reasons, she/he can complete the same in the prescribed maximum duration.

### ➤ **Is there any Difference between MANUU Regular M.A. Islamic Studies and MANUU Distance M.A. Islamic Studies?**

No, there is no difference. The programmes offered in regular and distance modes are both equal.

### ➤ **What is the official website of MANUU?**

The official website of MANUU is: [www.manuu.edu.in](http://www.manuu.edu.in)

### ➤ **Is there any YouTube channel for MANUU educational programmes for the Islamic Studies course?**

Yes, MANUU has its educational YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/imcmanuu>  
All programmes can be accessed including Islamic Studies programmes.

### ➤ **How can I reach Distance Education site of MANUU?**

You can reach directly to Distance Education through the link: <https://manuu.edu.in/dde/>

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