THE PROGRAM

The Certificate Program in Islamic Studies will provide students with a comprehensive view of the Islamic faith tradition from the perspective of the moderate Muslim living in the contemporary urban community. This unique and dynamic learning experience will allow seekers of truth to explore the spiritual, moral and ethical principles of Islam, which are also inherent in the Jewish and Christian faith traditions. Students will learn of the rise of Islamic civilization and the impact it has had on the human family, and the contributions common people have made toward the advancement of human civilization.

The students of this Program will be of diverse religious and cultural backgrounds. They will be adults of all ages, religions, nationalities and ethnicities. The mission of New York Theological Seminary is to reflect New York City’s rich cultural and ethnic diversity. The Certificate Program in Islamic Studies is designed to enhance the viability and effectiveness of all faith communities by providing an understanding of Islam from the primary, original and authentic sources, thus bringing the fundamental principles of monotheism into clear focus.

This program is oriented toward those who want to be more effective in their community service ministries. It offers excellent preparatory learning experiences for men and women who are perhaps uncertain about their particular ministerial goals and objectives. The two-year course of study is divided into four semesters. Attendance will be required for the two annual retreats which will take place at the beginning of the fall and spring semesters. The program can also be taken fully online (download the forms from www.nyts.edu).

PROGRAM GOALS

- To provide an understanding of the Islamic faith from the perspective of moderate Muslims in contemporary society.
- To acquaint students with the primary and secondary authentic sources for Islamic knowledge.
- To provide training in the basic skills needed for urban ministry.

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For further information, call the Certificate Program office at 212-870-1232 or visit our website at www.nyts.edu
Thank you for your interest in the CERTIFICATE PROGRAM IN ISLAMIC STUDIES. Please fill out the enclosed application form and return it by mail to the Certificate Program Registrar's office. When we have received your completed admissions packet, you will receive information on how to register for classes.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Application Form (completed and signed)
- Passport Size Photograph
- Proof of Immunization against Measles, Mumps, Rubella (2 doses; if born ON or AFTER Jan. 1, 1957)

PROGRAM COSTS

TUITION PER SEMESTER: $700

$350 per course of 12 sessions / $175 per course of 6 sessions

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Late Registration Fee $ 75
Returned Check fee $ 40
Graduation Fee (2nd year only) $210

Tuition and fee payments are accepted in cash, checks and money orders made payable to New York Theological Seminary, and credit cards: VISA/ MASTER CARD.

IMPORTANT NOTES

- FULL TUITION is due at registration each semester, before classes begin.
- New students can register by the 2nd week of September for fall semester classes and the 2nd week of February for spring semester classes
- All students will receive registration information from the Registrar's office
- Late Registration is by APPOINTMENT ONLY and is NOT PERMITTED after the SECOND WEEK OF CLASS
- Graduation fees are charged regardless of attendance at commencement exercises.
- Tuition is refunded on a conditional basis:

  Official withdrawal must be in writing to the office of the Registrar. a) Student will receive a 100% tuition refund if withdrawal occurs before classes begin and b) 50% if withdrawal occurs NO LATER than the 2nd week of the semester. NO REFUND is issued if withdrawal occurs after the 2nd class week of the semester.

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION
NAME:

LAST                                                                    FIRST                                                                    MIDDLE

Social Security Number: ____________ - _______ - ____________

Date of Birth: _______ / _______ / _______ Gender: M: ____ F: ____

Address: ___________________________________________________________ Apt. #: ______________

City: __________________________________ State: _______ Zip: ___________ County: ______________

Tel:  Home: __________________________________ Work: ________________________________

Mobile: __________________________ Fax: ________________________________

E-mail required*: ____________________________________________________________


Ethnic Group Required* Please check the one that applies.  ☐ African-American  ☐ Native American Indian  ☐ Asian
☐ Pacific Islander  ☐ Hispanic  ☐ White/European  ☐ Other

IN AN EMERGENCY: Please name someone we may contact, other than your spouse.

Name                                                                       Relationship                                 Phone

Affiliation: _____________________________________________________________

Mosque/Church/Synagogue/Other: __________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________ City: _______________ State: __________

Zip: __________ Tel: ______________________ Imam/Pastor/Rabbi: ___________________________ Tel: __________

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT US?  Newspaper _____ Website_____ Radio Station_____ Friend ____ Open House ____
Mosque/Church/Synagogue ____ Office of Vocational Discernment ______Other ______ (please specify):

_________________________________________________________________

“By signing below I hereby witness that the information I have provided above is accurate and not misleading. I understand my commitment to the New York Theological Seminary Certificate Program in Islamic Studies, and agree to meet ALL requirements as stated.”

STUDENT’S SIGNATURE: ____________________________________________ Date: ______/_____/_______

BELOW FOR REGISTRAR’S USE ONLY

Date received: __________________ Registrar’s Signature __________________________

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STUDENT VERIFICATION REGARDING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE

As part of your enrollment and registration at New York Theological Seminary, we are required by state and federal law to confirm that you have health insurance coverage. Therefore, please complete this form and send it with the application package. Thank you for your prompt cooperation. (On-line students are exempt from this requirement)

Name: _____________________________________ Phone: (   ) _____ _____ _____
Address: ___________________________________ Apt. #: ______________________
City: __________________ State: __________ Zip: __________ County: ___________________
Email: ____________________________________

___ YES, I DO HAVE CURRENT HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE, from the following provider:

Name: ______________________________________________________________________
Address: ____________________________________________________________________
City: __________________ State: __________ Zip: __________
Phone: (   ) _____ _____ _____
Period of Coverage: From ______________ to: __________________
Policy #: ____________________________________________________________________

___ NO, I DO NOT HAVE CURRENT HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE. I understand that I am required to have such coverage while enrolled at New York Theological Seminary. Therefore, I have applied for coverage from (please check one, and will notify NYTS as soon as I obtain coverage.

___ New York State Family Health Plan (www.health.state.ny.us)
___ Voluntary International Student Scholar Medical Insurance (www.studentresources.com)
___ Other, (please specify below)
Name: ______________________________________________________________________
Address: ____________________________________________________________________
City: __________________ State: __________ Zip: __________

(Further information may be obtained from the websites above and /or in the Registrar’s Office of the Seminary.)
I certify that the information I have provided above is accurate, and understand that my enrollment at New York Theological Seminary may be jeopardized by inaccurate or misleading information.

Signed: ____________________________________________ Date: _____ / _____ / _____

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ATTENTION SEMINARY AND SEMINARY-BOUND STUDENTS

New York State law requires college students to be immunized against measles mumps and rubella. The law applies to all students born on or after January 1, 1957.

Proof of immunity consists of:

- **Measles** – two doses of live measles vaccine administered after 12 months of age, physician documentation of measles or a blood test showing immunity.
- **Mumps** — one dose of live mumps vaccine administered after 12 months of age, physician documentation of mumps disease or a blood test showing immunity.
- **Rubella** — one dose of live rubella vaccine administered after 12 months of age or a blood test showing immunity.

Check your immunization record with your health care provider to be certain you meet these requirements. For more information, contact your local health department or call the state of New York City Immunization programs listed below:

- **NYC Hotline**: (347)396-2402
- **Dutches County**: 845-486-3535
- **Nassau County**: 516-227-9416

WALK-IN IMMUNIZATION CLINICS

(First come, first served basis)


   Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.
   **Directions**: A, C, & F to Jay St., or 2, 3, 4 & 5 to Nevins St. or R, Q, & B to DeKalb Ave.

2. **TREMONT HEALTH CENTER**: 1826 Arthur Ave. - 1st Fl., Bronx, NY, 10457 (between Cross Bronx Expressway & Tremont Ave.)

   Adults and children (4 years of age and over) **Tuesday and Thursday** 8:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.

   **Directions**: #4 to Burnside Avenue, #2 or #5 to West Farms Square, #6 to Westchester Square. D to Tremont Avenue, Take the #40 or #42 bus toward Arthur Avenue (East from the #4 and D and west from the #5 and #6).

3. **CORONA HEALTH CENTER**

   34-33 Junction Blvd - 3rd Fl., Queens, NY, 11372 (between 34th Ave. & 34th Road)

   **Wednesday and Friday** ~ 8:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.

   **Directions**: #7 train to Junction Boulevard Walk North towards Northern Boulevard or take the # 72 bus.
NEW YORK THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY STUDENT IMMUNIZATION RECORD FORM

Name ___________________________________________ Student ID Number _______________________

Last   First   Middle   Number on bottom of ID card

Home Address ______________________________________

Number & Street ___________________ Apt # _____________ City ___________________ State _____________ Zip _____________

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New York State Public Health Law 2165 requires post-secondary students to show protection against measles, mumps and rubella. Persons born prior to January 1, 1957 are exempt from this requirement. An MMR vaccine is recommended for all measles vaccine doses to provide increased protection against all three vaccine-preventable diseases: measles, mumps and rubella.

PLEASE NOTE:
A LEGIBLE copy of an immunization record from a previous school attended (college, university) or a childhood immunization record will be acceptable proof of immunization if it clearly contains the required information.

REQUIRED: Measles (Rubeola) Immunity – Must have ONE of the following:

A. **TWO** dates of measles Immunization: (1) ____________________ (2) ____________________
   Both dates must be given after 1967; the first immunization after the first birthday and the second on or after 15 months of age.

B. Date of Measles Titer ___________________________ Results: ___________________________

C. Date of physician diagnosed measles disease _________________________________________
   Signature of diagnosing physician __________________________________________________

REQUIRED: Rubella (German Measles) Immunity – Must have ONE of the following:

A. Date of at least one rubella immunization: (1) ___________________ (2) ___________________
   (Must be on or after the first birthday)

B. Date of Rubella Titer __________________________ Results: ___________________________
   Physician diagnosis is not acceptable

REQUIRED: Mumps Immunity – Must have ONE of following:

A. Date of at least one mumps immunization: (1) __________________ (2) __________________
   (Must be on or after the first birthday)

B. Date of Mumps Titer __________________________ Results: __________________________

C. Date of physician diagnosed mumps disease _________________________________________
   Signature of diagnosing physician: _________________________________________________

Name of Health Practitioner: ________________________________

Signature: ________________________________

Date: ________/_______/_______

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. Q: How long does the program take to complete?
   A: Two years divided into four semesters.

2. Q: How much is tuition?
   A: 1. Tuition is $350.00 for a 12-session class (i.e. Al-Islam: From a Contemporary Urban Perspective; Interpretation of the Qur'an, Rise of Islam, Islamic Ethics, History of Islam in America; Theodocity; Writing Skills).
   2. Tuition is $175.00 for a 6-session class (i.e. Islamic Law in Contemporary Society; Counseling Muslims, Sharia vs Figh; Biblical and Quranic Scriptures).

3. Q: What other fees are charged for the program?
   A: 1. $210 Graduation Fee (second year students only, charged regardless of attendance at graduation ceremony)
   2. $75 Late Registration Fee
   3. $40 Returned check fee

4. Q: Do I need a High School Diploma or G.E.D. to enter the program?
   A: No; however, should you wish to continue your education and obtain a college degree, you should work on obtaining your High School diploma or G.E.D.

5. Q: Can I obtain college credits for this program?
   A: Yes; though the Certificate Program is a non-degree program, many accredited colleges and universities may award you credit, usually through a Life-Experience portfolio or other adult learning program administered through the college. It is the sole decision of the college or university how many credits they may offer for the program. Please contact the Certificate Program for more information.

6. Q: Can I obtain transfer credits into the Certificate Program for work done at Islamic Institutes?
   A: No.

7. Q: Can I obtain transfer credits from the Certificate Program into the Master's Programs at NYTS?
   A: *Yes! If you complete the two-year Certificate Program you may obtain 9 credits if you enroll in the Master’s program. If you complete 1 year of the Certificate Program you may obtain 4 credits. *(if you have a Bachelor’s degree).

8. Q: How qualified are the Certificate Program professors?
   A: All professors possess at least a Master of Divinity degree from an accredited Seminary, or higher.

9. Q: What are the requirements for admission?
   A: 1. Fill out and sign an application form.
   2. Provide a passport size photograph.
   3. If you were born on or after January 1, 1957, you must provide proof of immunization for: Measles (2 doses), Mumps (1 dose) and Rubella (1 dose).

10. Q: Can I complete the whole program Online?
    A: Yes!

For further information, please call the Certificate Program Director at 212-870-1232 or Lcano@nyts.edu

NYTS also offers Master of Divinity, Master of Arts in Pastoral Care and Counseling, Master of Arts in Religious Education, Master of Arts in Youth Ministry, Master of Arts in Religious Administration and Leadership, Certificate Program in Christian Ministry, Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) and Doctor in Ministry Programs.

For further information, please contact Adriane Hill, MDiv, Director of Vocational Discernment at 212-870-1212 or via email to: ahill@nyts.edu ~ Visit us online at: www.nyts.edu