## Survey of Religious Education

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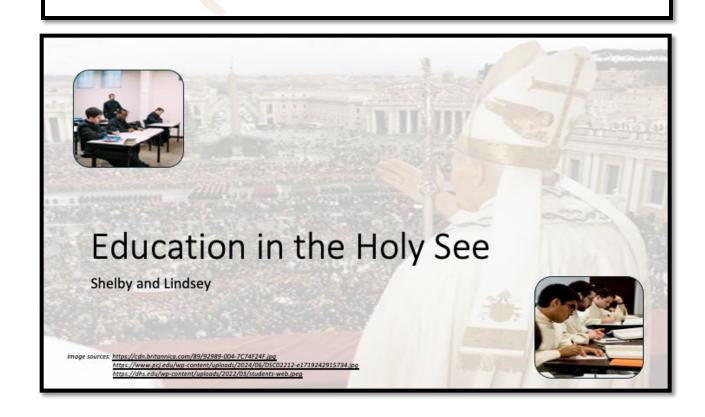
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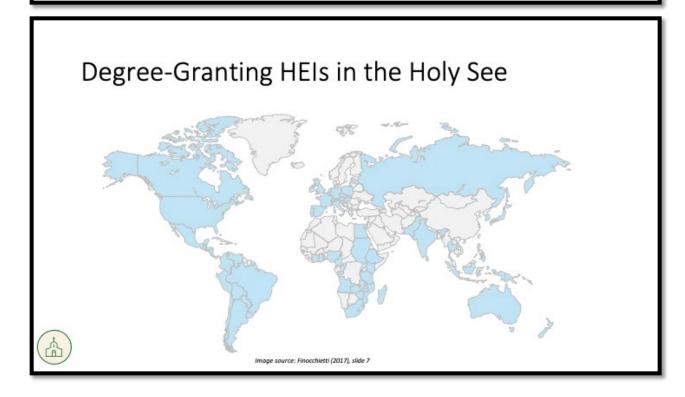
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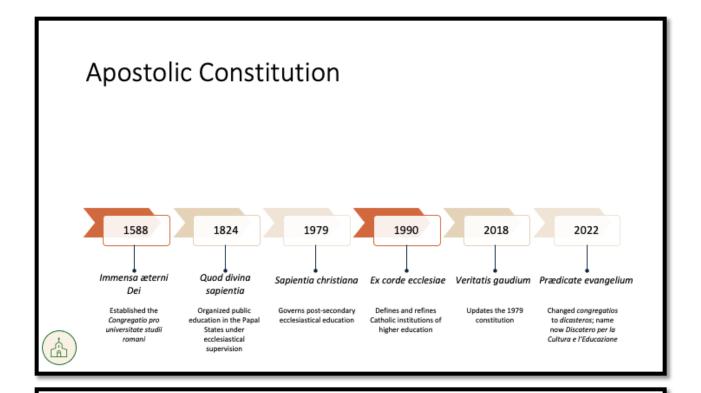


## About the Holy See

Official Name	Status Civitatis Vaticanae (Latin) Stato della Città del Vaticano (Italian)
Capitol	Vatican City (de facto) Extraterritorial properties around Rome, Italy
Official Language	Italian
Religion	Roman Catholic
Type of Government	Unitary Christian theocratic elective absolute monarchy
Legislature	Pontifical Commission
Year of Independence	1929
Area	0.19 miles <sup>2</sup>
Population	453 (as of 2019)
Currency	Euro (€) (EUR)
Year of Signing Bologna Declaration	2003



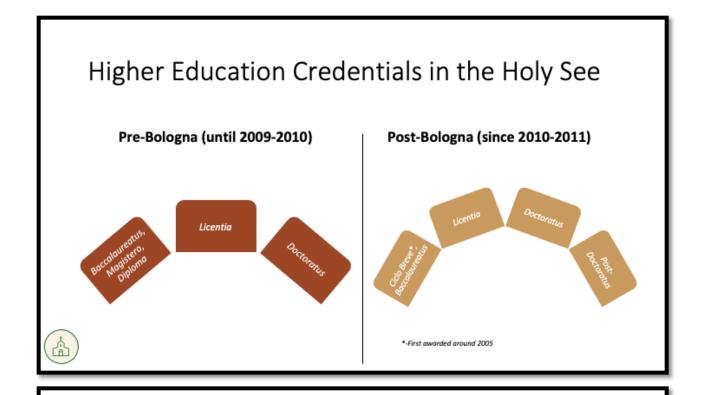




## Higher Education Credentials in the Holy See

Ecclesiastical Faculty and Specialized Areas of Study		
Philosophy	Theology	Canon Law
Ancient Near Eastern Studies	Arabic and Islamic Studies	Biblical Studies
Bioethics	Christian and Classical Letters	Christian Archaeology
Church History	Educational Sciences	Foundations & Perspectives for a Culture of Unity
Law	Liturgy	Missiology
Oriental Studies	Psychology	Religious Sciences
Sacred Music	Social Communications	Social Sciences
Spirituality	Studies on Marriage and the Family	





## Pre-Bologna Credentials – Undergraduate Level

Credential Name	Credential Name (English)	Length	Admissions Requirement
Baccalaureatus in Iure Canonico	Baccalaureate in Canon Law	2 years	Secondary school leaving certificate in country of education
Baccalaureatus in Philosophia	Baccalaureate in Philosophy	2 years	Secondary school leaving certificate in country of education
Baccalaureatus in Religionis Scientia	Baccalauareate in Religious Science	3 years	Secondary school leaving certificate in country of education
Magistero at secondary level	Teacher at secondary level	4 years	Secondary school leaving certificate in country of education
Diploma in Theologia Pastorale	Pastoral Theology Diploma	1 year	Baccalaureatus in Theologia
Baccalaureatus in Theologia (5- year option)	Baccalaureate in Theology	5 years	Secondary school leaving certificate in country of education
Sexennium Philosophico- Theologicum	Philosophical-Theological Six Years	6 years	Secondary school leaving certificate in country of education
Magistero at post-secondary level	Teacher at post-secondary level	2 years	Baccalaureatus in Theologia, Licentia in Iure Canonico, Licentia in Philosophia, OR Licentia in Religionis Scientia
Magistero in Religionis Scientia	Teacher in Religious Science	2 years	Baccalaureatus
Diploma in Religionis Scientia	Diploma in Religious Science	3 years	Baccalaureatus

## Pre-Bologna Credentials – Graduate Level

Credential Name	Credential Name (English)	Length	Admission Requirement
Iurisprudentia in Iure Canonico	Jurisprudence in Canon Law	1 year	Baccalaureatus in Theologia
Licentia in Iure Canonico	Licentiate in Canon Law	3 years	Baccalaureatus in Iure Canonico OR Baccalaureatus in Theologia
Licentia in Philosophia	Licentiate in Philosophy	2 years	Baccalaureatus in Philosophia
Licentia in Religionis Scientia	Licentiate in Religious Science	2 years	Baccalaureatus in Religionis Scientia
Licentia in Theologia	Licentiate in Theology	2 years	Baccalaureatus in Theologia
Doctoratus in Iure Canonico	Doctorate in Canon Law	Varied	Licentia in Iure Canonico
Doctoratus in Philosophia	Doctorate in Philosophy	2-3 years	Licentia in Philosophia
Doctoratus in Theologia	Doctorate in Theology	Varied	Licentia in Theologia



## Post-Bologna Higher Education Levels in the Holy See

Primo Ciclo

- 2-3 years in length
- 120-180 ECTS

Secondo Ciclo

- 2-3 years in length
- 120-180 ECTS

Tercero Ciclo

- Length varies, but often 3 years
- Eligible for post-doctoral studies



#### Qualifications Framework CICLO /GRADO STUDI SPECIALIZZATI DIRITTO CANONICO DOCTORATUS DOCTORATUS IN DOCTORATUS IN IURE CANONICO DOTTORATO IN DIRE FILOSOFIA DOTTORATO IN FILOSOFIA 7 LICENTIA IN THEOLOGIA 5 LICENTIA UCENZA IN IURE CANONICO LICENZA IN DIRETTO CANONICO 4 DACCALAUREATUS BIENNIO INTRODUTTIVO

## Types of Relationships

Linked to an
ecclesiastical faculty
to award a 1st-cycle
degree

Ordinarily granted to
seminaries

Example: St. Joseph Major Seminary (Nigeria) – Pontificia Università Urbaniana

Degree granted by the ecclesiastical faculty

Linked to an ecclesiastical faculty to award a 1<sup>st</sup>- or 2<sup>nd</sup>cycle degree

Example: Instituto Superior de Direito Canônico do Brasil (Brazil) – Pontificia Università Gregoriana

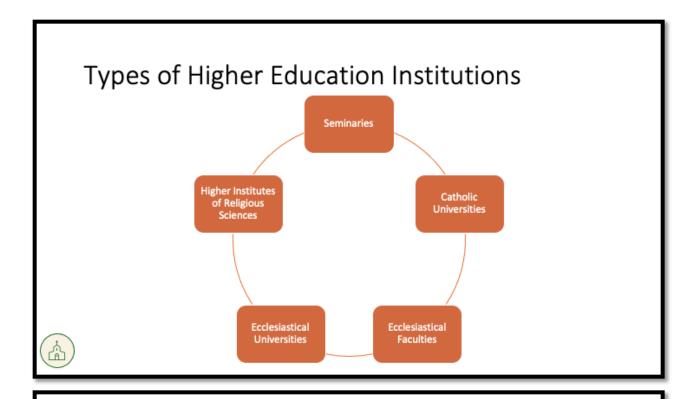
Degree granted by the ecclesiastical faculty Linked to an ecclesiastical faculty to award a 2<sup>nd</sup>- or 3<sup>rd</sup> cycle degree

Example: Sanyasa Institute for Consecrated Life (India) – Pontificia Università Lateranense

Degree granted by the ecclesiastical faculty



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## Quality Assurance in the Holy See

#### Dicastero per la Cultura e l'Educazione

- Dicastery for Culture and Education since 5 June 2022
- Pre-June 2022, known as Congregatio de Institutione Catholica (Studiorum Institutis) [Congregation for Catholic Education-Institutions of Study]
- Ricerca nell'Offerta Formativa (Search Training Database): http://www.educatio.va/content/cec/it/offerta-formativa.html

#### **AVEPRO**

- L'Agenzia della Santa Sede per la Valutazione e la Promozione della Qualità delle Università e Facoltà
  Ecclesiastiche (Holy See Agency for the Evaluation and Promotion of the Quality of Ecclesiastical
  Universities and Faculties)
- Created in 2007
- · Evaluation reports available starting in 2011
- · https://www.avepro.va



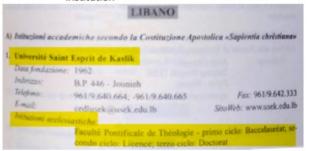
## WARNING

# "PONTIFICAL" MAY NOT EQUAL HOLY SEE RECOGNITION!

## Recognition Tips & Tricks



- Index Editio 2005: Universitates et alia Instituta Studiorum Superiorum Ecclesiae Catholicae published by Congregation de Institutione Catholica (de Seminariis at que Studiorum Institutis)
- Arranged by continent, then country, then institution





## Recognition Tips & Tricks





## Recognition Tips & Tricks





## Is It a Holy See Credential? A Checklist

- 1. What institution issued the credential?
  - · Did multiple institutions issue the diploma and the transcript?
- 2. What degree does the credential show?
  - · Is this a qualification on the Holy See Qualifications Framework?
- 3. What major did the student study?
  - · Is the major in an ecclesiastical field?
- 4. In what country is the institution located?
  - · Is this country one in which the Holy See has known institutions?
- 5. Are you able to locate this school in the Holy See database?
- 6. If it is not recognized by the Holy See, is it recognized by the appropriate entity in the country?



Is It a Holy See Credential?

Sample #1

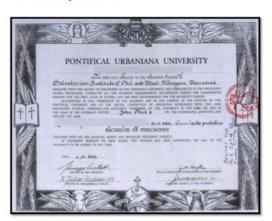


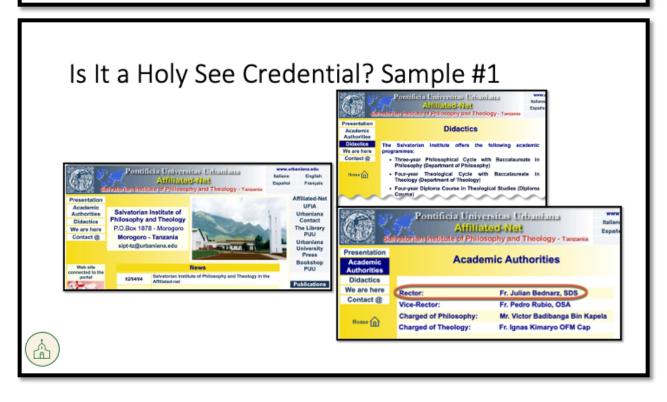


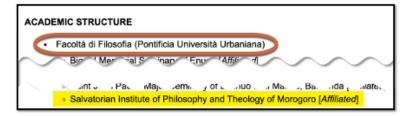




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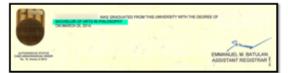




## Is It a Holy See Credential? Sample #2



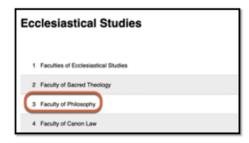
IMPORTANT: always look carefully at what faculty/school/college may be awarding a philosophy program.



It is possible that a university may offer both a regular/secular Philosophy bachelor's degree in a regular/secular faculty **AND** a Bachelor of Sacred Philosophy in an ecclesiastical faculty.

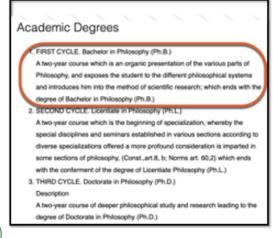


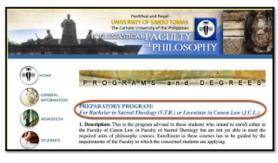






## Is It a Holy See Credential? Sample #2







#### Courses

- · Bachelor of Arts Major in Asian Studies (AS)
- Bachelor of Arts Major in Behavioral Science (BES)
- Bachelor of Arts Major in Communication Arts (CA)
- Bachelor of Arts Major in Economics (ECO)
- Bachelor of Arts Major in Journalism (JRN)
- · Bachelor of Arts Major in Legal Management (LM)

Bachelor of Arts Major in Political Science (POL SCI)

- Bachelor of Arts Major in Literature (LIT)
- Bachelor of Arts Major in Philosophy (PHL)
- Bachelor of Arts Major in Sociology (SOCIO)



## Is It a Holy See Credential? Sample #2



Faculty of Philosophy (Pontifical University of Santo Tomas)

ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES

Name: AB Classical Discipline: Philosophy





Unique Institutional Identifier	Name of Higher Education Institutions	ADDRESS	Program	Major	GP/GR No.	Date
13203	University of Santo Tomas	España, Sampaloc, Munila	Bachelor of Arts	Asian Studies, Behavioral Science, Communication Arts, Economics, Journalism, Legal Management, Liberature, Philosophy, Political Science, Sociology, Theology, Social Science	GR No. 282	1951

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### Decentralization

Unlike Catholicism, Islam is not centralized.

Consequently, there is no overarching authority that claims power to determine the tenets of religious education for the entire global community, and, despite Albania's current attempt, no real equivalent to Vatican City.

Subsequently, there is great variety in the implementation of religious education and the qualifications accepted when an individual seeks to become a practitioner of the faith.



#### **Foundations**

In Islam, the scholarly community is referred to as the ulama.

"Ulama" may refer broadly to the educated class of such religious scholars, including theologians, canon lawyers (muftis), judges (qadis), professors, and high state religious officials. Alternatively, "ulama" may refer specifically to those holding governmental positions in an Islamic state.

This group of people have traditionally held enormous power in Islam. Muslim governments have historically sought the support of this class. These are individuals certified to issue opinions or to transmit knowledge on various topics relating to their areas of expertise.

The different certifications that are given to members of this community are rooted in the traditional practice of authorizing the transmission of texts and teachings in an uninterrupted chain from original author to subject expert.

In the modern era, there is a definite split between community preferences for either the Islamic ijaza or tertiary academic credentials, with the latter often being associated with more "liberal" communities.



## Traditional Ijaza

#### Credentials of Mastery

Helping to set the stage for modern academic credentials, the certificates of transmission known as ijazah, are some of the world's oldest academic credentials. While often in the form of a certificate, many of these exist merely as marginalia in the text mastered, sometimes detailing the lineage of transmission back to the author or originator.

- · Certificate of Audition (Ijazah al-Sama)
- · License to Transmit (Ijazah al-Riwayah)
- · License to Issue Legal Opinions (Ijazah al-Ifta)
- · License to Teach (Ijazah al-Tadris)



#### Ijazah al-Ifta



Resembles Western degrees most closely as a document of license with professional standing.



Begins in the 8<sup>th</sup> century and is still awarded today.

# Certificate of Competency in Arabic Calligraphy

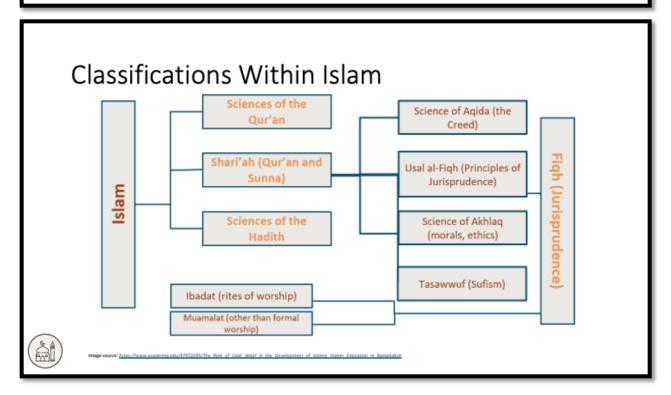
This example from 1791 is a Certificate of Competency in Arabic Calligraphy by 'Ali Ra'if Efendi.

"The official function of the ijazah consists in giving a student the authority to sign his own calligraphic works with expressions such as katabahu (written by) and hararahu (composed by), thus allowing him to become independent and take on pupils of his own. In order to receive the diploma, the student had to transcribe or copy (taqlid) several lines of calligraphy that had to be approved by one or more co-signatory master calligraphers (Safwat 1996, 40). In some cases, the ijazah may include the calligrapher's chain of teachers (silsilah or sanad) reaching all the way back to the Prophet Muhammad himself (Gacek, 1989, 44-55)."





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#### The Madrasa

The centers of Islamic education have varied depending the era and location. Today, the centers of Islamic education are generally known as madrasas. The word (variously spelled: madarsa, madrasah, madarasaa, medresa, madrassa, madrasa) is derived from Arabic, denoting a place for teaching/learning of any type (without any secular, political or religious affiliation). It literally translates as "a place of study".

Beyond just the issues of variable Romanization (e.g., there are six or seven spellings for مدرسة or madrasa), translations can be a barrier to understanding the overarching organization of the system. As an example: The word waqf, often translated as "school", may refer to a school of thought, a federation of madrasas, a federation of federations, or individual institutions of learning, such as an Islamic university. Broadly, the term may refer to a wide number of charitable organizations, including public kitchens, mosques, and libraries, and they might be described as "Islamic trusts."

In the Islamic academic context, a madrasa most commonly refers to any establishment for elementary or secondary education, or any schools below university level, which provides education (religious and secular) and Quranic teaching.



## Formation of Modern Academic Degrees

The structural outcome of Islamic credentials begins to more closely resemble Western degrees in the 1800s. This is partially due to the influences of colonialism and pressures on institutions to provide academic credentials which met needs for the job market. Grand mosques, such as Al-Azhar University in Egypt, began the process of modernizing their credentials, working to balance what was sometimes seen as secular impositions against what was held as a primarily religious process. While there is clear cross-pollination occurring between the early Western secular educational systems and Islamic education, Muslim institutions were reluctant to abandon more traditional educational systems in favor of more Western-style degrees.



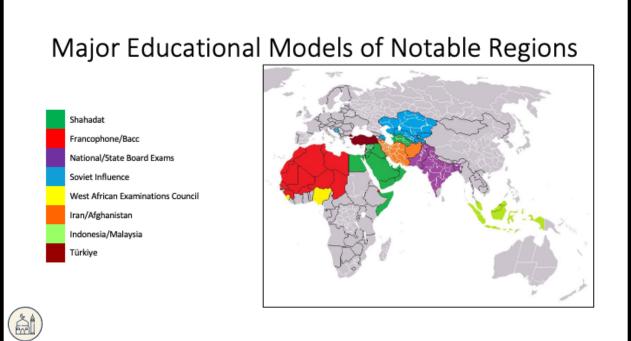
## How Do We Approach Evaluation?

When applicants submit Islamic credentials, what are the primary considerations we should keep in mind when trying to determine if this is documentation that we require for evaluation in the region and if the ultimate credential is something that we can even work with at all?

#### Questions we might ask are:

- When does child education end and how is that marked?
- What do tertiary institutions accept for admission in the country of study?
- How are the stages of tertiary education marked in the places where the study was completed?
- Is the primary function/purpose and content religious in nature, or are there merely Islamic components and/or organizations supporting what are clearly secular credentials/studies?







# Major Educational Models of Notable Regions Francophone Former Soviet

Typified by the baccalaureate and licence

West Africa

Secondary Students/Schools Cannot Opt Out Republics
Experienced a resurgence

**Regional Boards** 

Boards must be approved



## Major Educational Models of Notable Regions

#### Indonesia and Malaysia (Not That Ijazah)

Both Indonesia and Malaysia have strong traditions of Islamic Education. They also have current academic credentials using the language of ijazah. The Indonesian and Malaysia credentials utilizing this language are, however, not the same as the Islamic ijazah. These credentials are also not at the same academic levels.

In Indonesia, the word ijazah is used for secondary studies of any kind (Ijazah Sekolah Menengah Pertama/Ijazah Madrasah Aliyah/Ijazah Sekolah Menengah Kejuruan) and it means in these cases just "studies." The Islamic credential here is the Ijazah Madrasah Aliyah.

In Malaysia, the Ijazah Sarjana Muda and the Ijazah Sarjana are tertiary credentials, equivalent to a bachelor's and a master's degree, respectively.



#### **West African Examinations Council**

In countries that have signed on to the West African Examination Council's process, students completing secondary education will be required to complete the Senior Secondary Certificate Examination for enrollment in higher education. In these systems, while a student may attend an Islamic school, they will still need their WAEC certificates. So, though a student may provide transcripts or diplomas from these Islamic institutions, they are not sufficient for continued enrollment purposes by themselves.

#### Soviet-Influenced Systems

During the era of the Soviet Union, many regions experienced an outright hostility towards religious education of any kind. After the collapse of the USSR, these former Soviet Republics had resurgences in their religious educational institutions. In the 21st century, there are a number of former Soviet Republics with madrasas and Islamic educational institutions, however, in most cases, these institutions are not exempt from the national requirements of recognition. Academic credentials will still broadly resemble, both in format and also content, their earlier Soviet counterparts.



## Major Educational Models of Notable Regions

#### Francophone

Francophone systems can be really nice in terms of establishing recognition, because so much of the educational regulations are encoded in legislature that is often provided on the documentation itself. This can really streamline the process of concluding if a credential has proper recognition in the country of study. Common credentials, such as the baccalauréat and the licence, are typically encoded in law programmatically, and deviations from these legal regulations typically indicate something lacks proper recognition. The language of issue is usually French or Arabic.

#### **National Examination Boards**

There are a number of countries with regional (state) and national examinations boards. In countries such as India, Bangladesh, and Pakistan, these boards must be approved to operate, but that does not necessarily prevent unauthorized boards from offering unrecognized credentials. In these systems, Islamic education is often relegated to a kind parallel system with varying degrees of recognition that may change from year to year. These can some of the most complicated credentials to determine recognition for, as even the chains of authority governing their recognition can be convoluted.



#### Shahadat

While Islamic education in the Arabic speaking world may have at one time been under heavy influence from Türkiye, today, the certificates of education (shahadat) that are offered derive from programs developed at major Islamic seminaries in the late 19th and early 20th century.

While there is not a direct correlation between the presence of Arabic on a document and the inclusion of an Islamic curriculum, there is no doubt that these certificates draw from an Islamic educational heritage.

At the very least, one might expect components of Islamic education to accompany these educational programs and curriculum, particularly at the secondary level. While once very directed towards religious curriculum, in the modern era, higher education is not necessarily primarily focused on faith-based outcomes.



## Major Educational Models of Notable Regions

#### Afghanistan

Afghanistan is a wonderland of research opportunities. Decades of political turmoil have meant that ascertaining proper recognition, as well making determinations about authenticity, are exceptionally difficult. During certain periods, it can be a herculean task to properly evaluate the documentation. While in many cases, 12th grade graduation certificates and university documentation is highly regular, this is only the case for certain eras. Due to great complexity of Afghan Islamic credentials, evaluators will need to take extra caution when determining if the documents can be worked with at all.

#### Iran

Iran is another interesting case. Because of the political power of Twelver Shi'ism in Iran, and the theocratic nature of the government, Islamic credentials hold great weight, but also follow a different philosophy and they have a slightly different structure as compared to many other countries around the world. Like Afghanistan, in order to properly explore Iranian Islamic education, it would necessitate a presentation of its own.



#### Türkiye

The historical significance of Türkiye and related empires provided a great deal of prestige to the lisans as a premier academic degree within the Muslim world. However, there was some contention in the past related to the strong Western influence within the Turkish education system and there was a perception for some that such credentials were not Islamic enough. While the Islamic community at large may have moved away from the more historical weight of Turkish credentials, Türkiye has made great strides in the internationalization of Turkish education.

A fantastic example of the complexity of international Islamic education is the relatively recent phenomenon of Gülen schools. Linked to the Sufi scholar, M. Fethullah Gülen, the school's philosophy has been described as "Islam-light", with a heavy focus on STEM related education and a limited (if not absent altogether) focus on Islamic subjects. Widely reported, at peak, affiliated schools were operating in 160 countries.

The Turkish government, following a coup attempt, seized 232 Gülen schools. Türkiye asserted they will not recognize diplomas from these schools. They also demanded that other countries close the Gülen schools operating within their borders. International response was highly varied.



## Major Educational Models of Notable Regions

#### Türkiye - Gülen Schools

Somalia: all three schools were summarily shut down and the Turkish teaching staff sent home. They were reopened under new management, with Somali teachers and Turkish embassy funding.

**Azerbaijan**: the prestigious Gulen-associated Qafqaz University, is now under new government-controlled management

Indonesia: the Minister of Education visited Kharisma Bangsa school and decided he was happy with the operation of the school and considered claims of terror links "not true."

Kyrgyzstan: President Almazbek Atambayev insisted the schools were "high quality educational establishments and we need them."

Kenya and Nigeria: also resisted Turkish pressure.

Pakistan: 23 Turkish teachers were fired. Education Minister Muhammed Baligh ur Rahman said if Türkiye had doubts about the teachers, then Pakistan "might not be able to let them continue."



#### Türkiye - Gülen Schools

In 2016 Turkiye established under Law No. 6721 the Turkish Maarif Foundation (TMF) as the only organization authorized to provide Turkish education abroad. Schools in countries that obliged Turkiye's demands to close Gulen-linked schools handed the institutions over to this organization.

In the following years, the global landscape of recognition for these institutions has continued to change.

For example, Pakistan rather abruptly changed its response later in 2016, closing 28 schools, and ordering 108 teachers and staff to leave the country. The student population at the time was reported to be around 11,000 students.

In 2018, the Supreme Court of Pakistan ordered the surrender of Gülen-linked school in the country. The decision was upheld by the Government of Pakistan in 2019.

Neither the Gulen schools nor the TMF are considered waqf, however, the word for foundation in Turkish, "vikaf," does apply.

It is important to stress that a **vikaf** and a **waqf** are not the same things, despite linguistic relation and similar meanings. A primary reason for this is the means of their funding.



## Key Factors to Consider

RECOGNITION	REGULATION/ CONTROL	SUBSIDIES	NATIONAL CURRICULUM	CERTIFICATES/ DIPLOMAS	ISLAMIC ELEMENTS IN THE CURRICULUM OF STATE-RUN SCHOOLS
Is compulsory education allowed to take place in non-recognized private education?	Are the schools regulated, monitored, or inspected?	Are the schools subsidized by the state?	Do Muslim and other private schools have to apply a national curriculum?	Do students acquire a diploma that is valid for further education in other schools or in the labor market?	Do state-run schools teach Islamic subjects?

	Principal compulsor	v educational institutions i	in Muslim-identifvin	g countries or with I	arge Muslim populations
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	Recognized	Regulated/ Monitored	Subsidized	National Curriculum Compulsory	Students acquire formal diploma or certificates	Islamic elements in state-run education	Examples
a)	YES	YES	YES	Varies	YES	YES	Afghanistan, Egypt, Malaysia, Saudi Arabia Turkey
b)	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	Egypt, Pakistan
c)	NO	YES	YES	YES	Varies	YES	Gambia
d)	NO	NO	NO	Varies	NO	YES	Afghanistan, Algeria, Egypt, Gambia, Iran, Kuwait, Morocco, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Tunisia, Turkey (not in mainstream state schools)
e)	YES	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	Indonesia, Lebanon, Malaysia, China, Gambia, Mali, Senegal
f)	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	NO	China
g)	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES	Indonesia
h)	YES	YES	NO	YES (Partly)	YES	NO	Ghana
i)	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	Varies	Qur'anic teaching everywhere there is a significant # of Muslims

## Modern India

- Fundamental push/pull of secularization of madrasas in pursuit of modern education
- Choosing to remain outside state policy versus mainstreaming madrasa education in line with state regulations/guidelines
- Views of Islamic education, particularly at the secondary level is very conflicted across Indian society, even within the Muslim community
- Beginning in 2006, the National Commission for Minority Educational Institutions (NCMEI) advocated within the Muslim leadership and clerics to legislatively standardize madrasa education, but failed to get traction within the disparate communities to gain a consensus





## Constitutional Law, Legislation & Rulemaking

Two fundamental rights enshrined in the Constitution of India are relevant to the Muslim community in relation to their educational matters:

Right to Freedom of Religion (Articles 25–28) and
 Cultural and Educational Rights (Articles 29 and 30)

Umbrella Scheme for Providing Quality Education to Madrasas/Minorities (SPEMM) implemented by the Ministry of Education, Department of School Education and Literacy:

- Scheme for Providing Quality Education in Madrasas (SPQEM):
   Qualitative improvement in Madrasas to enable Muslim children attain standards of the national education system in formal education system.
- Infrastructure Development of Minority Institutes (IDMI):

Augment Infrastructure in Private Aided/Unaided Minority Schools/Institutions in order to enhance the quality of education to minority children

Vast patchwork of individual federal/state legislation and "handshake" equivalency/recognition



Approximately 20 madrasa boards in India with varying degrees of recognition Significant uptick in case law restricting or delegitimizing madarsa boards/education

#### Modern India

Two major types of madarsa primary and secondary education

#### Madrasa Darse Nizami or Dars-e-Nizami/Dars-i Nizami

- Originated in the Indian subcontinent in the 18th century
- By/as a public charity
  - Not bound by the curriculum of school education of the respective state
  - Medium of education is in Arabic, Urdu and/or Persian

#### Madrasa Darse Aliya

- Affiliated with the Madarsa Education Board in respective state\*
- Follows the curriculum of school education of the respective state
- Use textbooks published by state textbook agencies
- If a state utilizes a National Council for Educational Research and Training (NCERT) curriculum/textbooks in school education, the madarsa will also use that curriculum and textbook



\* In some instances, if there is no state madarsa education board in a particular state, may be recognized by another state madarsa board

## Association of Indian Universities (AIU) comment on Mardarsa school education

#### 1.10 Madarsa Boards

It has also been observed that complete and authentic information including enrolment of students and teachers and infrastructural facilities are not available about Madrasa schools. Some data are there in Unified District Information System for Education (UDISE) portal about Madarsa Schools but those are incomplete. Student's studying in Madarsa schools, in general, do not get opportunity to appear in various competitive exams. A major reason for the same appears to be issue of equivalence of class 10 and class 12 certificates being given to the students by the State Madarsa Boards. The certificates of class 10 and class 12 issued by the Madarsa Boards are not uniformly recognized across the country. Some States have made efforts towards recognition/equivalence of certificates issued by Madarsa Boards within their own States or with other School Exam Boards. Some of the Madarsa Boards have equivalence of ortificates of class 10 and class 12 with their State education Board or with other Education Boards. However, there is not much awareness about the equivalence of Madarsa Boards certificates; It was also pointed out that Right to Education Act 2009 is not applicable to the Madrasa schools as per section 1 of sub-section (4) and sub-section (5) of the RTE Act. The teachers in Madrasa schools are, in general, appointed by the Madarsa management. There is no uniformity in qualifications and service conditions of Madarsa teachers. Most of the Madarsa schools follow their own curricula and textbooks. Some of the Madarsa Boards in coordination with UNICEF and SCERT have published textbooks in Urdu for classes 1 to 8 and NCERT text books for classes 9 to 12. Thus, it was pointed out to the Committee that the above issues need to be considered while formulating SOP's for granting equivalence to conflicates of Madarsa Boards.

Annexure referred to in reply to parts (a) & (b) of the Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 118 for reply on 03.02.2020 regarding "Registered Madarsas in the Country".

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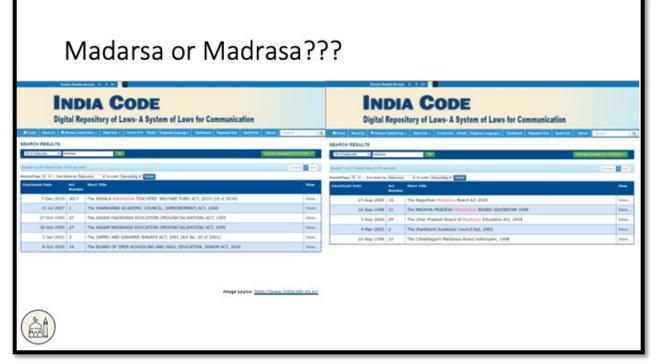
		Number of Mar	darsa - 2018-19
	State/UT	Recognized	Unrecognized
1.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	0	0
2.	Andhra Pradesh	12	246
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0
4.	Assam	0	179
5.	Bhar	1582	179
G.	Chandigath	0	3
7.	Chhathsgarh	267	60
A.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0	0
9.	Daman & Diu	1	0
10.	Delhi	0	0
11.	Gos	0	0
12.	Gujarat	4	0
13	Haryana	,	14
14.	Hirrarchal Practisch	1	0
15.	Jammu And Kashmir	34	2
16	Jitorkford	22	141
1/.	Kamataka	15	- /
18	Kerabi	3	0
19.	Lakshadweep	0	U
20.	Madhya Pradesh	1864	85
21.	Maharashtra	46	108
22.	Manipur	21	Ü
23.	Meghalaya	0	0
24.	Mizoram	0	Q
25.	Nagaland	Ó	0
26.	Odeha	45	9
27.	Puducherry	0	0
28.	Punjab	0	17
29.	Rajasthan	2464	29
30.	Sikkim	0	0
31.	Tamil Nadu	0	U
32.	Telangana	0	180
33.	Tripura	181	0
34.	Uttar Pradesh	11621	2907
35.	Uttarakhand	942	31
36.	West Bengal	609	685
	Total	19132	4878

From the official record of proceedings/debates in Parliament of India



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## Recognized "Independent(ish)" Madarsa Boards

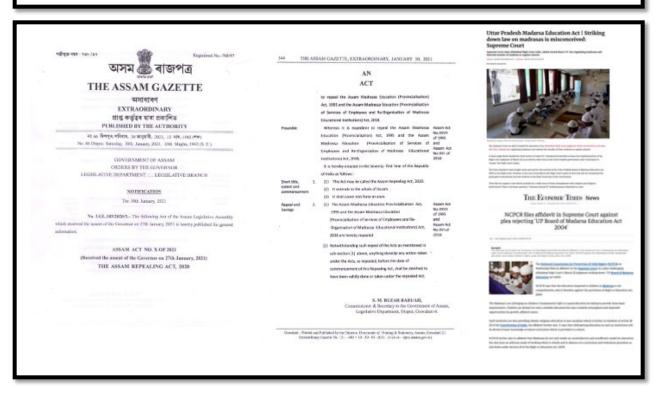
State Board (2010/2011 figurational in arrange)	Examination	Equivalency		
	Wasteria	Standard VIII		
	Fauquania	Standard X		
Bihar State Madarsa Education Board	MauNi	Standard XII		
	Alim	UG		
West Bengal Board of Madarsa	High Madrasa, Alim	Standard X		
Education	Facil	Standard XII		
Chhattisgarh Madarsa Board	Urdu Adib, Urdu Mahir, Urdu Moullim, High School Patrachar Pathyakram	Standard X		
	Adim Higher Secondary Patrachar Pathyakram	Standard XII		
	Middle	Standard VIII		
Madhya Pradesh Madarsa Board	Urdu Adeeb, Urdu Mahir, Urdu Moullim, Maulvi, Madhyamik	Standard X		
	Alim, Higher Secondary	Standard XII		
	Murehi, Moulei	Standard X		
Uttar Pradesh Madarsa Education	Alm	Standard XII		
Board**	Camil	UG		
	Facil	PG		
	Faukquania	Standard VIII		
Uttarakhand Madrasa Education Board	Munshi, Maulavi	Standard X		
Shiksha Parishad (2016)	Alm	Standard XII		
	Fazil	PG		
State Madrassa Education Board,	Alm	Standard XII (Intermediate Examination)		
Assam*	F.M. (Fadilul Mu'rif)	UG		
	M.M (Muretazul-Muhaddithin)	PG		

Inconsistencies between examination credentials with the same name abound.

Pay close attention to level, not just the name of the credential. For example, a "Fazil" credential can be equivalent to the completion of secondary education or postgraduate study depending on the specific state board.

- In December 2020, the State Madrassa Education Board, Assam, was disbanded by state legislative action and all madrasas were to be transformed into mainstream educational centers.
- \*\* In March 2024, the High Court in Allahabad struck down the Uttar Pradesh Madarsa Education Act, 2004, as unconstitutional asserting that it violated principles of secularism, essentially de-legitimizing previously recognized schools. The Supreme Court stayed that decision in April of 2024. Appeals are continuing.

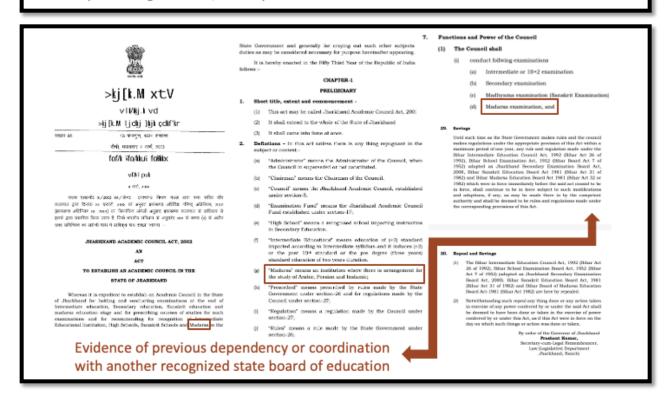




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The state of Odisha (formerly Orissa until 2011) is a great example of a madarsa board *nested* within the structure of a secular board of education. The original madarsa education board was enacted in 1971 under State Government Education Rules (Resolution No. 33931 dated 31.08.1971), 12 years before aligning under the Directorate of Secondary Education in 1983 and its parent organization, the Department of School and Mass Education in 1993.



## UGC-recognized Universities that accept recognized and non-recognized Madrasa education

- Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh
- Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi
- Jamia Hamdard (Deemed University), New Delhi
- Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad

**Bridge Course** pathways are frequently required

What about Madrasa certificates/qualifications beyond secondary?

Why might this be a concern for recognition?



S. No.	Name of Madarsa	Madarsa courses	Recommended for the purpose of admissi in MANUU programs	
	Al	VDHRA PRADESH		
1.	Jamiatus Salihat, Kadapa	Alimias	B.A., B.A. Hons-JMCI	
2.	Jamiatun Niswan As Salafia 7-29, Thonawada, Chandragiri, Tirati, Chittour	Fazilet	B.A., B.A. Hons-JMC)	
3.	Jamia Mohammadia Arbia, Kanekal Road, Rayadurg, Anantpur	Fazil	M.A. [Avabic, Urdu, Persian, Women Education, Public Administration, Islamic Studies, Political Science, History, Sociolog Economics & Translation Studies!	
		ASSAM		
4.	State Madrasa Education Board Assam Kahilipara, Guwahati	Fadilul - Mal Arif (F.M.)	B.A., B.A. (Hons-JMC)	
		Muntapi- Muhaddithin	M.A. JArabic, Urdu, Persian, Women Education, Public Administration, Islamic Studies, Political Science, History, Sociology Economics & Translation Studies)	
5.	Madrassatul Banat & Banat Islamic Academy, Mahmari Pather, Dist. Morigaen	Alimiet	B.A., B.A. (Hons-JMC)	
6.	Jamia Islamia Jalalia, Gopalnagar, Hojai, Nagaon	Fazilet	M.A. Jarabic, Urdu, Persian, Women Education, Public Administration, Islamic Studies, Political Science, History, Sociology Economics & Translation Studies)	
		BIHAR		
7.	Bihar State Madarsa Education Board	Moulvi	B.A., B.A. (Hons-JMC)	
		Alimiat	M.A. (Arabic, Urdu, Persian, Women Education, Public Administration, Islamic	
8.	Madrasah Shamsul Huda, Patna	Fazil	Studies, Political Science, History, Sociology Economics & Translation Studies	
9.	Madarsa Jamaitul Qasim, Darul Ulopm-ii-Islamia, Pratap Ganj, Supaul	Alim	B.A., B.A. (Hons-JMC)	

		UTTRAKHAS	ND _
216.	Utterakhand Madarsa Education Board Dehradun	Alin	B.A., B.A. (Hons-JMC)
		WEST BENG	AL
217.	West Bengal Madarsa Education Board, Kolkata	Fazilat	M.A. (Arabic, Urdu, Persian, Women Education, Public Administration, Islamic
218.	Madrasah Aliya, Calcutta	Fazil	Studies, Political Science, History, Sociology, Economics & Translation Studies)
219.	Madarsa Jamia Fakunia Haggania, At & PO. Shershahi, Dist. Malda	Alimiat	S.A., S.A. (Hons-IMC)
220.	Madarsa Jamia Islamia Madinatul Ulsom, Madina Market, Memari, Burdwan	fazil	B.A., B.A. (Hons-IMC)
221.	Calcutta Madrasah College, Kolkata	Fazilat	B.A., B.A. (Hans-JMC)
222.	Bhado Jamia Islahul Muslemeer, Malda	Fazilat	B.A., B.A. (Hons-JMC)

- 12th Equivalent courses of all Madans Boards of respective states are eligible for admission to BA or Bridge Courses for 8.6cm end8.5c.
   10th Equivalent courses of all Madans Boards of respective states are eligible for admission to Bridge Course for PolyrechnicPrograms.

Madarsa education that Maulana Azad National Urdu University accepts for admission

What about education/institutions that pre-date modern recognition standards?







Darul Uloom Nadwet-ut-Ulama (F.O. Box 93, Lucknow 7) [Utter Pradesh]\*# Extablished in Lucknow in 1898 as a modern seat of Healin theological learning. Administered by the Nadwatul Ulama Association, a religious and educational association established in Kangur in 1893 to promote socal, religious, and educational refore among Muslim leaders. Students: 1200 to 1400; faculty: 70. Library: 80,000 volumes in

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Arabic, English, Persian, Urds, and other languages. Offers the following programs:
4. Pre-Primary - one year: arithmetic, physical education, theology, and Urds.

- b. Primary five years: arithmetic, civics, English (fifth year only), gardening, Eindi, physical education, social studies (fifth year only), theology (Islamic creed, Islamic faith and practice, and recitation of the Qur'an), and Urdu.
- Hifs four years (elternative primary school curriculum): Arabic language, Figah (Islanic Jurispurdence), mathematics, memorization of the Qur'am, Qir'at (Recitation of the Qur'am), and Urdu (reading and writing).
- d. Secondary three years: Arabic, English, Hindi, Persian, and Urdu grammer, composition, and literature: geography: history; mathematics; science; theology (Islamic faith and practice, and semorization and recitation of the Qur'as).

source: Sweeney and Woolston, 1986, pp. (125 and /126

- e. Higher Secondary two years (grades 9 and 10): Arabic, English, and Persian grammar, composition, and literature; Islamic history; religious sciences (Figah (Islamic Jurisprudence), Hadith (Traditions of the Holy Prophet), and Sirah], and science.
- f. Alisiyat four years (equivalent of two years intermediate, two years B.A.) Adm: Higher Secondary of this institution (10). Loads to title of Alim (The Ficus) [also translated as Sachelor in Haslian Theology and Arabic Interatures]. Arabic grammar, composition, and literature; civics; English grammar, composition, and literature (up to the Intermediate atmost of the Uttar Pradeab Board of High School and Intermediate Education); concesses; general science; geography; lakasic culture; Islamic Intermy; logic; philosophy; religious sciences [Figah (Islamic Jurisprudence), Radith (Traditions of the Holy Prophet), Tatisr (Commentary on the Qur'an, and other branches of Islamic learning).
- g. Alimiyat five years: condensed program in Arabic and Islamic Theology. Adm: Intermediate (12) or B.A. (12+2).
- h. Alimiyat five years: condensed program for students whose mother tongue is English and who do not know Arabic and Urdu.
- Translat in Theology two years. Adm: Alimiyat. Leads to title of Fasti (The Excellent) [also translated as Master in Nuslim Theology and Arabic Literature, and as Master in Slamic Theology and Islanic Roligious Law). Arabic literature, Islamic Shari'a and Its Wisdom [Abu Daud Sharif, Baizewi Sharif, Bukhari Sharif and Its Wisdom [Abu Daud Sharif, Baizewi Sharif, Bukhari Sharif, Diwan Al-Himadah, Hidayah Mahirain, Hidayahu Maytahid, Hujjatullahii Balighah, Kashshaf (Yahodiyah wan Nascaniyah), Maslim Sharif, Qur'an Majid, Sirat Ibne Hambahaw and Diwan Mutumbot, and Turkinut-tashri'a Islami and Tadwin-i-Hadiaj; and religious sciences [Figah (Islamic Jurisprudence), Hadish (Traditions of the Holy Prophet), and Tafsir (Cormentary on the Qar'am)].

#### Modern Pakistan

While foundation of the first madrasa can be traced back to the Prophet Muhammed, the Pakistani Deeni Asnad system was inherited from the Islamic renaissance during the late 19<sup>th</sup> century in India, starting with the foundation of the Darul Uloom Deoband in 1867. The rift between Islamic education in the country and its national curriculum may be linked to the implementation of "Modern Education" by the British in the 1800s. The Charter Act of 1813 was the first step towards education being made an objective of the government, and under the administration of Governor-General Lord William Bentinck these policies were furthered with the English Education Act 1835 enacted to focus education in colonial India towards Western interests.



#### Madrasas in Pakistan

- Madrasa curriculum, including Quran, Hadith, Fiqh, and Arabic grammar, was developed in 1787, also in India, by Mulana Nizam-u-din Sehalvi. No national equivalence for these credentials was established until 1982, by the then University Grants Commission of Pakistan, when an equivalence policy was created for solely the Shahadatul Almiya (as an MA Degree).
- There was a great international pressure put on Pakistan to regulate religious education institutions
  within the country following the events of September 11, 2001. Because of this pressure, Pakistan began
  the enormous task of registering tens of thousands of religious schools within the country as well as
  stipulating the parameters by which students from the Islamic religious education system could seek an
  equivalency to national academic credentials.
- The 2017-2018 Pakistan Education Statistics survey reported a total of 31,115 madrassas with a total enrolment of 4.099 million. While we don't see these credentials very often, the system serves a significant population, nearly 10% of children in Pakistan. Its percentage share of student enrollment is comparable to that of US private schools (~9%, based on data from 2019). Because, as of 2017, 44% of children in Pakistan between the ages of 5 and 16 did not participate in education (World Education and News Report), understanding these credentials is critical to understanding educational opportunities in Pakistan.



## Madrasa Degree Structure

There are six benchmark credentials (sanad) within the system:

- Sahahdatul Tahfeez-ul Quran: 5 Years (Grade 5)

- Shahadatul Mutawassat: 3 years (Grade 8) Shahadatul Sanvia Aama: 2 years (Grade 10) Shahadatul Sanvia Khasa: 2 Years (Grade 12) Shahadatul Alia: 2 years (Bachelor pass) Shahadatul Almiya: 2 years (Master's)

While the Shahadatul Sanvia Aama and the Shahadatul Sanvia Khasa may be comparable to the completion of standard ten and the completion of standard twelve, in both cases, the credentials awarded by the madrassas are not considered equivalent unless accompanied by the national compulsory subject examinations taken through a recognized national or regional examination board and verified by the IBCC (Inter Board Committee of Chairmen).



## Quran Memorization Certificate, 1987





# Islamic Special Secondary Certificate, 1991







## Alia Certificate

### Alia Marks



### **Alia Certificate**





# Almiya Certificates, 2005

### **Almiya Certificate**



### Almiya Marks





# **Equivalency Certificate and Letter**



What do we make of these two equivalency statements for different applicants?



Is either sufficient?



## Basic Equivalency

The Higher Education Commission does not require Middle School Certificates (grade 8) from holders of Deeni Asnad this policy seems in part linked to system-wide barriers for students seeking to obtain copies of the Middle School Certificate.

Likewise, the Shahadatul Alia and the Shahadatul Almiya are not considered equivalent to tertiary academic credentials of a similar length of study without additional certification. Alone, the Shahadatul Alia is not equivalent to a bachelor pass, and the Shahadatul Almiya only qualifies one for employment as a teacher in Arabic or Islamic studies. The Shahadatul Almiya may be considered equivalent to an academic credential for the purposes of employment or admission into a formal master's program, only if they have qualified with "two additional elective subjects other than Arabic and Islamic studies" at the bachelor pass level. As this criterion must be completed at an institution recognized by the Higher Education Commission (HEC) of Pakistan, there will be necessary accompanying documentation from such an institution.



This process of obtaining equivalence is the same as used for holders of foreign degrees and qualifications not accredited by the HEC (such as O/A-levels). For any sanad to be considered for equivalence, the minimum duration of study is 2 years.

## Recognition and Authority

As there are a number of unauthorized madrasas, and the list of recognized institutions has dramatically expanded over recent years, it is important to be aware of the recognition authorities responsible for overseeing the Deeni Asnad system. While the Higher Education Commission plays a role in recognizing institutions for final equivalence, they do not register or affiliate madrasas. One challenging element in understanding the structure of these schools is the way in which the English word "school" is utilized in translation.

At the secondary or higher secondary levels, madrasas can be affiliated with a Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education, or they are affiliated with a wifaq. While there are plans in place for madrasas to directly provide the compulsory coursework and examinations required nationally for lower and upper secondary education, these reforms have not yet been implemented.

The Ittehad Tanzeemat tul Madaris Pakistan (ITMP) is the federation of federations/organizations which represent the madrasas in Pakistan. Since 1983/84, madrasas were required to affiliate with one of the five members of this group. This was further regulated under Ordinance No. XL of 2001, following the establishment of the Pakistan Madrasah Education Panal (IMME).

The former names of the five waqfs/wafaq/wiqafs (Ittehad Tanzimat Madaris-e-Deeniya)

- 1. Wafaq-ul-Madaris Al-Arabia: Markazi Office Gordon Town, Sher Shah Road, Multan
- 2. Tanzeem-ul-Madaris Ahl-e-Sunnat: Jamia Naeemia, Ghari Shaho, Lahore
- 3. Wafaq-ul-Madaris Al-Salfia: Hajiabad Post Code 38600, Faisaalabad
- 4. Wafaq-ul-Madaris Shia: Jamia-al-Muntazar, H. Block, Model Town, Lahore
- 5. Rabita-ul-Madaris Al Islamia: Mansoora Road, Lahore



## Recognition and Authority

On August 29, 2019, an agreement was signed between Ministry of Federal Education & Professional Training (M/o FE&PT) and Ittehad Tanzeemat tul Madaris Pakistan (ITMP) that dramatically changed the structures of governmental recognition.

The Ministry of Federal Education & Professional Training (M/o FE&PT) was established as the sole authority in the country to collect the facts / figures and other relevant information pertaining to the Deeni Asnad system. It created the Directorate General of Religious Education (DGRE) along with sixteen (16) regional offices for the registration of madaris.

All Deeni Madaris are now required to register with the Ministry of Federal Education & Professional Training on pre-approved registration forms, and Deeni Madaris that fail to register with the Ministry of Federal Education & Professional Training (M/o FE&PT) or who violate the terms of registration are subject to closure by the federal government. Regional Centers of the HEC are not empowered to issue equivalence letters except to endorse photocopies of educational documents



## Current List of Recognized Wafaqs

- 1. Wafaq-ul-Madaris Al-Arabia, Multan November 17, 1982
- 2. Tanzeem-ul-Madaris Ahle Sunnat, Lahore November 17, 1982
- 3. Wafaq-ul-Madaris Al-Salfia, Faisalabad November 17, 1982
- Wafaq-ul-Madaris Shia, Lahore November 17, 1982
- 5. Rabita-ul-Madaris Al Islamia, Lahore August 12, 1987
- 6. Ittehad ul Madaris Al Arabia Pakistan, Mardan February 4, 2021
- 7. Ittehad ul Madaris Al Islamia Pakistan, Lahore February 4, 2021
- 8. Nizam ul Madaris Pakistan, Lahore February 4, 2021
- 9. Majma ul Madaris Taleem ul Kitab wal Hikmat, Lahore February 4, 2021
- 10. Wafaq ul Madaris Al Islamia Al Rizvia Pakistan February 4, 2021
- 11. Wafaq Ul Madaris Wal Jamiaat Al-Deeniya Al-Bakistania April 15, 2021
- 12. Majma Ul Uloom Al-Islamia April 15, 2021
- 13. Wahdat-Ul-Madaris Al-Islamia, Pakistan April 15, 2021
- Board of Islamic Education April 27, 2021
- 15. Kanz-ul-Madaris April 27, 2021



## List of Approved Deeni Institutions

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List of Wafaq and individual Madaris notified by erstwhile University Grants Comm

aN	Names of Wafaq (Examination Boards)	Date of Notification	
1.	Wafaq-ul-Madaris Al-Arabia, Multan	November 17, 1982	
2.	Tarizoom-ul-Madaris Ahle Sunnat, Lahore	November 17, 1982	
3.	Wefaq-ul-Madaris Al-Salfia, Faisalabad	November 17, 1982	
4.	Wafaq-ul-Madarts Shia, Lahore	November 17, 1982	
5.	Rabitatul Madaris Al Islamia, Lahore	August 12, 1987	
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5N	Names of Individual Madaris/Deeni Institutions:	Date of Notification	
6.	Jamie Islamie Minhaj-ul-Quran, Lahore.	April 27, 1992	
7.	Jamia Taleemat-e-Islamia, Faisalabad.	June 07, 1984	
₽.	Jamia Ashrafia, Lehore.	February 03, 1985	
9.	Darul Ulgom Mohammadia Ghousia Bhera, Sargodha.	January 08, 1987	
	Darul Uleom, Kerangi Creek, Karachi		

### List of Wafeq and individual Madaris notified by Ministry of Federal Education and Professional Training, Government of Pakistan

SN	Name of Wafaq/individual Madaris/Deeni Institutions:	Date of Notification
1.	Jemia tur Rasheed, Karachi	February 01, 2021
2.	Darul Uloom Jamia Naeemia Lahore	April 27, 2021
3.	Jemia Al-Madina Karachi	April 27, 2021
4.	Jemia tu Darasat Al-Islamia Karachi	April 15, 2021
5.	Jemia Binoria Aalamia Karachi	February 10, 2022
6.	Itehad-ul-Madaris Al Arabia Pakistan, Mardan	February 4, 2021
7.	Rehad-ul-Madaris Al Islamia Pakistan, Lahore	February 4, 2021
a.	Nizam-ul-Maderis Pakistan, Lahore	February 4, 2021
9.	Majma-ul-Madaris Taleem-ul-Kitab wal Hikmat, Lahore	February 4, 2021
10.	Wafaq ul Madaris Al-Islamia Al-Rizvia Pakistan	February 4, 2021
11.	Wafaq ul Madaris wal Jamiaat Al-Deeniya Al-Bakistania	April 15, 2021
12.	Majma ul Ulcom Al-Islamia	April 15, 2021
	Wahdat-ul-Madaris Al-Islamia, Pakistan	April 15, 2021
14.	Board of Islamic Education	April 27, 2021
15.	Kanz-ul-Madaris	April 27, 2021



## Current List of Recognized Madaris

In addition to a comprehensive list on the Directorate General of Religious Education's website detailing the registered madaris in different regions, the HEC provides a list of recognized individual madaris for operation.

The names of the five, individual madaris were as follows:

- 1. Jamia Islamia Minhaj-ul-Quran, 366 Model Town, Lahore
- 2. Jamia Taleemat-e-Islamia, Sargodha Road, Faisalabad
- Jamia Ashrafia, Feroz Pura Road, Lahore
   Darul Uloom Mohammadia Ghousia Bhera Distt. Sargodha
- 5. Darul Uloom, Korangi Greek, Karachi

The current list has been expanded:

- Jamia Islamia Minhaj-ul-Quran, Lahore. April 27, 1992
   Jamia Taleemat-e-Islamia, Faisalabad. June 07, 1984
   Jamia Ashrafia, Lahore. February 03, 1985

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   Jamia tu Rasheed, Karachi. February 01, 2021
   Darul Uloom Jamia Naeemia, Lahore. April 27, 2021
   Jamia Al-Madina, Karachi. April 27, 2021
   Jamia Tu Darasat Al-Islami, Karachi. April 27, 2021

- 10. Jamia Binoria Aalamia, Karachi. February 10, 2022



## Mode of Study of Institutions

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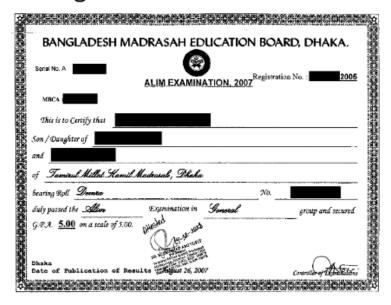
1	Wafaq-ui-Madaris Al-Arabia, Multan
2	Tanzeem-ul-Mederis Able Sunnat, Lehore
3	Wafaq-ui-Madaria Al-Saffa, Faisalabad
4	Wafeq-ul-Madaris Shia, Lahore
5	Rabitztul Madaris Al Islamia, Lahore
6 7	Rohad-ul-Madaris Al Arabia Pakislan, Mardan
7	Itehad-ul-Madaria Al Islamia Pakistan, Lahore
8	Nizem-ul-Madaris Pakistan, Lehore
9	Majma-ut-Maderis Taleers ut-Kitab sval Hikmet, Labore.
10	Wafaq ul Madaris Al-Islamia Al-Rigvia Pakistan
11	Wataq ul Mederis wal Jamiaat Al-Deeniya Al-Bakistania
12	Majma ul Ulcom /4-talamia
13	Wahdat-ul-Waderie Al-Islamia, Pakistan
14	Roard of Islamic Education
15	Kanz-uHWederis
16	Jamin Taleemat-o-Islamia, Faisalabad
17	Jamia Ashrafia, Lahore.
18	Darul Ulaam, Korengi Creek, Karachi
19	James tu Denasat Al-Islamie Kerechi
20	Darul Uloom Jernia Naeemia Latione
21	Jamie Al-Madina Karachi
22	Jamia Briorie Aslemia, Karachi
23	Jamia tur Rasheed, Karachi

Approved mode of Deeni education for recognition of final Sanad i.e. Sanad Shahadatul Almiya fil Uloom ul Arabia wal Islamia of following Madaris Includes: Matric, Intermediate, Bachelor and Sanad Shahadatul Almiya:-

01.	Wafaq ul Madaris wal Jamiaat Al-Deeniya Al-Bakistania
02.	Majma ul Uloom Al-Islamia
03.	Wahdat-ul-Madaris Al-Islamia, Pakistan
04.	Board of Islamic Education
05.	Kanz-ul-Maderis
06.	Jamie tu Darasat Al-Islamie Kerechi
07.	Darul Ulcom Jamie Naeemia Lahora
08.	Jamie Al-Madina Karachi
09.	Jamia Binoria Aalemia, Karachi
10.	Itehed-ul-Madaris Al Arabia Pekistan, Mardan
11.	Itehad-ul-Maderis Al Islamia Pakistan, Lehore
12.	Nizam-ul-Madaris Pakisten, Lehore
13.	Majma-ul-Madaris Taleem-ul-Kitab wal Hikmat, Lahore
14.	Wafaq ul Mederis Al-Islamia Al-Rizvia Pakistan
15.	Jemia Islamia Minhaj ul Quran, Lahore
16.	Darul Ulcom Mohammadia Ghousia, Bhera Sarnotha



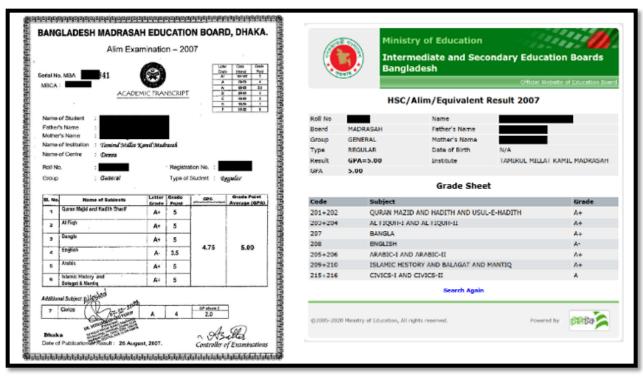
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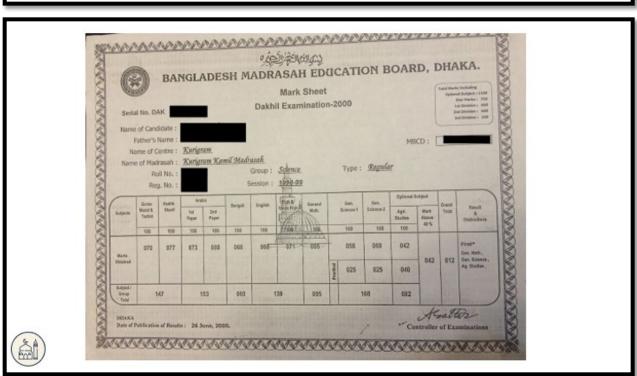


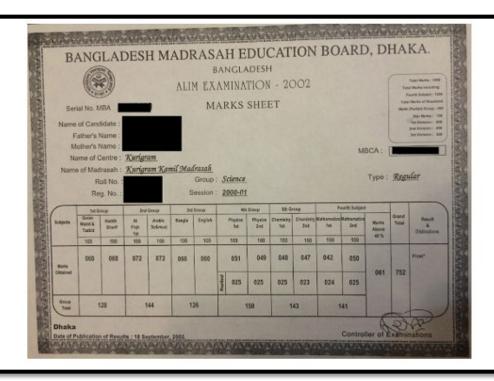
Post-independence in 1971, the 1978 Madrasa Education Ordinance established the Bangladesh Madrasa Education Board as an autonomous entity in 1979.

The 1978 Ordinance was replaced by the 2020 Bangladesh Madrasah Education Bill. Article 28 of the proposed law legally protected activities of madrasah education since 1978.

This was necessary since the Bangladesh Supreme Course had declared any laws enacted during military regimes (martial law) as illegal.









### Uzbekistan

- Today, a total of 15 recognized religious educational institutions are operating in Uzbekistan. Thirteen of them are institutions of higher
  and secondary special Islamic education under the jurisdiction of the Office of Muslims of Uzbekistan. Among them, three are higher
  Tashkent Islamic Institute, Mir Arab Higher Madrasah, School of Hadith Science and 10 secondary specialized Islamic educational
  institutions, of which two are secondary specialized Islamic educational institutions for women and girls. The remaining two are
  Orthodox and Protestant seminaries: 1) Samarkand Protestant Seminary (1992), renamed and re-registered as Tashkent Protestant
  Seminary in 2004; and 2) Tashkent Orthodox Seminary (1990) as a secondary school education and in 1998 upgraded to a seminary.
- Governed by Committee on Religious Affairs, a state administrative body established in 1992

Institution Name (Uzbek)	Institution Name (English)	
Toshkent islom instituti	Tashkent Islamic Institute	
Mir Arab" Oliy madrasasi	Mir Arab" Higher Madrasa	
Hadis ilmi maktab	School of Hadith Science	
Koʻkaldosh" oʻrta maxsus islom bilim yurti	"Kokaldosh" secondary special Islamic educational institution	
Sayyid Muhyiddin maxdum" oʻrta maxsus islom bilim yurti	"Sayyid Muhyiddin Makhdum" secondary special Islamic educational institution	
Hidoya" oʻrta maxsus islom bilim yurti	"Hidaya" secondary special Islamic educational institution	
Muhammad al-Beruniy" oʻrta maxsus islom bilim yurti	"Muhammad al-Beruni" secondary special Islamic educational institution	
Faxriddin ar-Roziy" oʻrta maxsus islom bilim yurti	"Fakhriddin ar-Razi" secondary special Islamic educational institution	
Xoja Buxoriy" oʻrta maxsus islom bilim yurti	"Khoja Bukhari" secondary special Islamic educational institution	
Mir Arab" o'rta maxsus islom bilim yurti	"Mir Arab" secondary special Islamic educational institution	
Imom Termizi" oʻrta maxsus islom bilim yurti	"Imam Termizi" secondary special Islamic educational institution	
Xadichai Kubro" oʻrta maxsus islom bilim yurti	"Hadichai Kubro" secondary special Islamic educational institution	
Joʻybori Kalon" oʻrta maxsus islom bilim yurti	"Joybori Kalon" secondary special Islamic educational institution	



Highlighted institutions indicate that higher education beyond secondary is offered

OF THE CABINET OF MINISTERS OF THE REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN DECISION

#### ON MEASURES TO ORGANIZE AND SUPPORT THE ACTIVITIES OF THE SCHOOL OF HADITH SCIENCE

Ensuring the implementation of the Decree No. PF-5416 of April 16, 2018 of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On measures to fundamentally improve the activities of the religious and educational sphere", make an incomparable contribution to the development of the Islamic religion and the science of hadith in order to deeply study the rich heritage of our great compatriots, to restore and develop the activities of hadith science schools founded by them, and to train higheducated mature specialists who have mastered the basics of Islam and the science of hadith, the Cabinet of Ministers decides:

 Decree of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan No. PF-5416 of April 16, 2018 "On measures to fundamentally improve the activities of the religious and educational sphere" in the form of a higher religious and educational educational institution Please note that the School of Hadith Science (hereinafter referred to as the School) has been established.

2. It should be noted that:

The school is a non-state educational institution of higher religious education founded by the Office of Muslims of Uzbekistan:

The state model diploma awarded to school graduates is recognized as a document of higher education in the Republic of Uzbekistan, awarding a bachelor's degree in relevant specialties in the field of higher religious education.

4. The following:

That the period of study at the school is five years, that it is conducted in the form of full-time education;

Establishment of bachelor's level personnel training in the field of "Hadith studies" in the school;

The school's admission quota for the 2018/2019 academic year will be 10 places in total, and the formation of the admission quota for the following years will be determined by the founder of the school based on the demand and need in this field:

Selection of talented graduates of secondary special religious educational institutions who have thoroughly mastered the Arabic language and have the capacity to memorize hadiths;



It should be taken into account that the graduate of the school continues his education at the master's degree of the International Islamic Academy of Uzbekistan according to his specialty, and studies at the basic doctoral and doctoral stages.

### Indonesia

Law No. 20/2003 on the National Education System specifically mentioned the alignment of the various levels of madrasa education with public school education.

**Primary** 

(6 years)

Madrasah Ibtdaiyah (MI)

Sekolah Dasar (SD) Lower Secondary

(3 years)

Madrasah Tsanawiyah (MT)

Sekolah Menengah Pertama (SMP) Upper Secondary

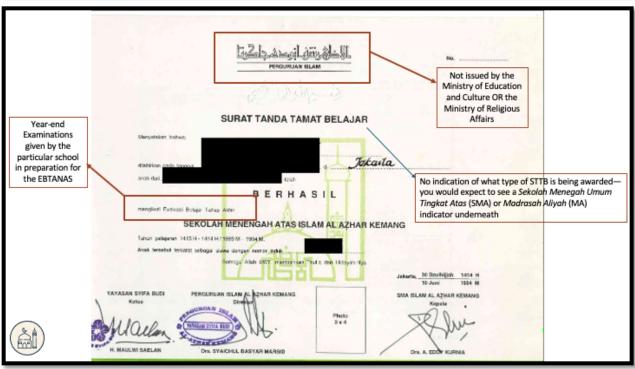
(3 years)

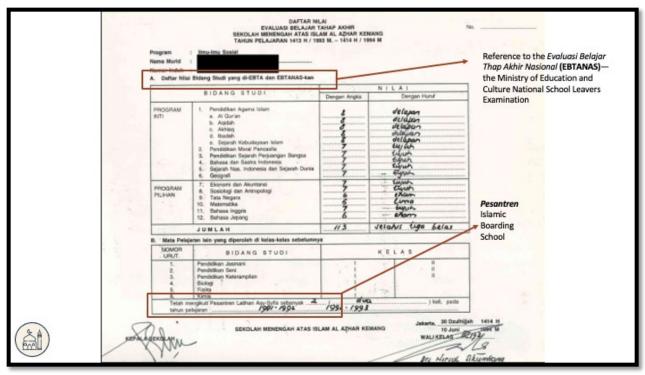
Madrasah Aliyah (MA)

Sekolah Menengah Atas (SMA)



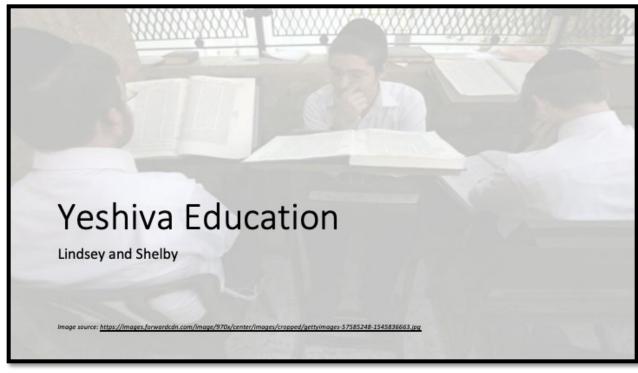














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### Yeshiva



Institute of Talmudic learning



More specifically. . . Jewish institution that focuses on the study of traditional religious texts, primarily the Talmud and Torah study.

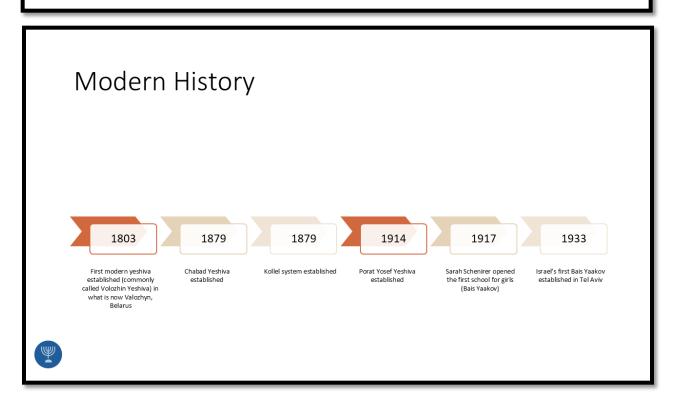


# History

## "You shall teach them to your son"

- Torah education was the responsibility of the father to pass it along to his child
- Written and Oral (Torah and Talmud)
- Had been an oral tradition until Rabbi Yehudah HaNasi wrote down the oral teachings (Talmud) (around 189 CE)





# Terminology

Hebrew	English Transliteration	Meaning
בית יעקב	Bais Yaakov Beis Yaakov, Beit Yaakov, Beth Jacob, Bait Yaakov, Bayit Yaakov	Generic term for Haredi Jewish schools for women
בית מדרש	Beit Midrash	House of Study
ירושלים	Jerusalem/Yerushalayim	Refers to the city of Jerusalem
בולל	Kollel	Collective; yeshiva program for married men, who often receive a small stipend to facilitate their devotion to Torah study
מדרשה	Midrasha plural: Midrashot, Midrashas	Generally used for institutions of torah study for post-high school age women
תַלמוּד	Talmud	Refers to the oral laws
תוֹרָה	Torah	Most often referring to the first five books of Moses; the written word
ישיבה	Yeshiva yeshivah, yeshibah; plural: yeshivas, yeshivat, yeshivoth, yeshibat	institutes of Talmudic learning



## Movements of Judaism

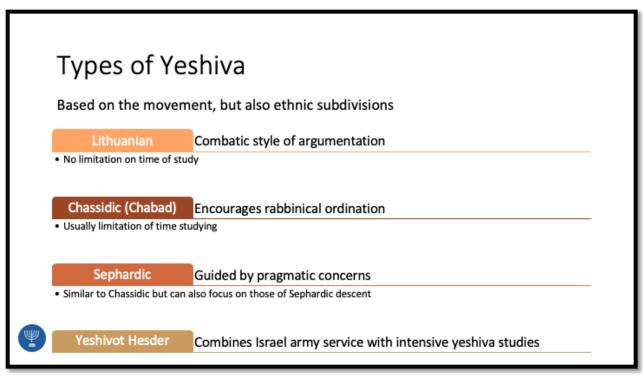
Orthodox: most traditional. Believe the Torah and Talmud are the sole norm of religious observance. Further subdivided into: Modern Orthodox and Ultra (Haredi) Orthodox (with even further subgroup of Hasidic).

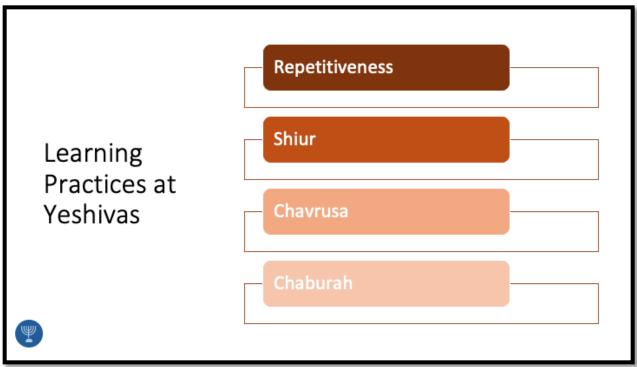
**Reform**: most liberal. Places less emphasis on obedience to Jewish law and authority and more on universal values.

Conservative (Masorti): seen as a centrist position between Reform and Orthodox Judaism. Conserve Jewish law but modernize practices.

Reconstructionist: most recent branch of Judaism. See Judaism as an evolving religious civilization.







## How to Setup a Yeshiva

Must register as a non-profit organization (amuta).

Register two adults as the founders, select a name, and define its principle objectives, and contact information must be provided.

After two years of operation, they may apply for support with the Torah Institutions Division of the Ministry of Education.

Many Yeshiva are eligible for tax exemptions.



The Council for Higher Education (CHE) is the body responsible for recognition of higher education institutions in Israel.

Recognition

No Yeshiva institutions are officially recognized by CHE, but. . .

The Torah Institutions Division of the Ministry of Education is responsible for supporting religious institutions.



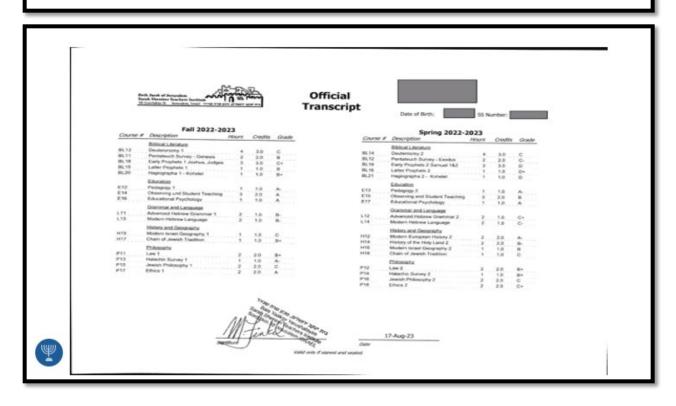
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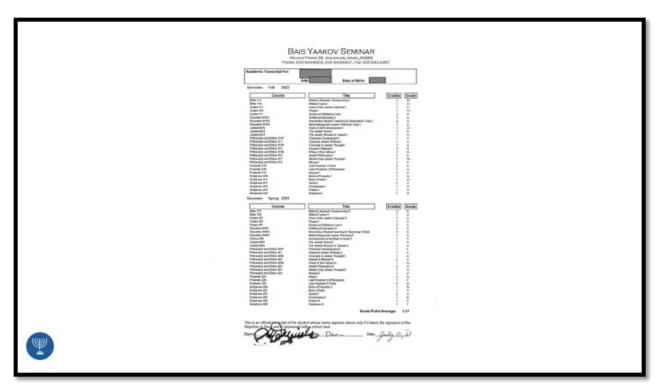
After secondary school, students attend Yeshiva institutions in Israel for one year.

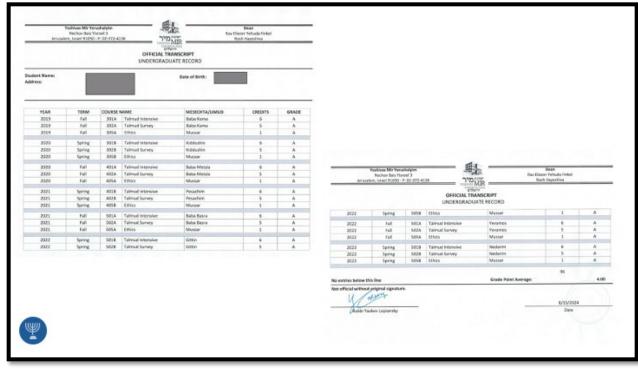
Many Yeshiva have offices in both Israel and the US.

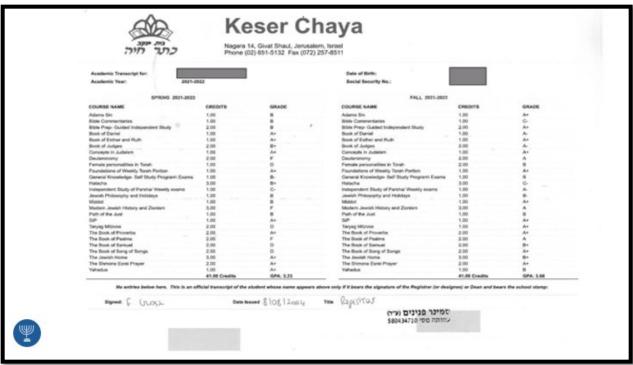
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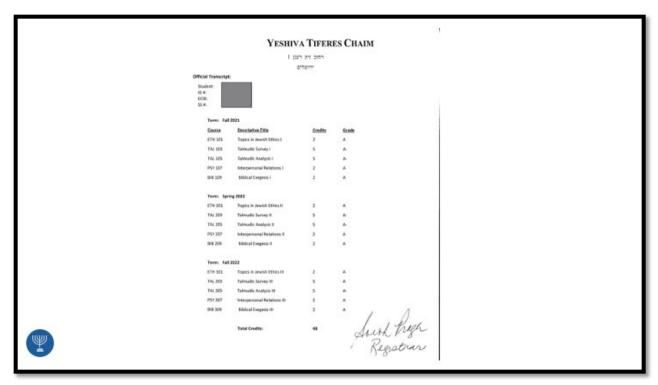


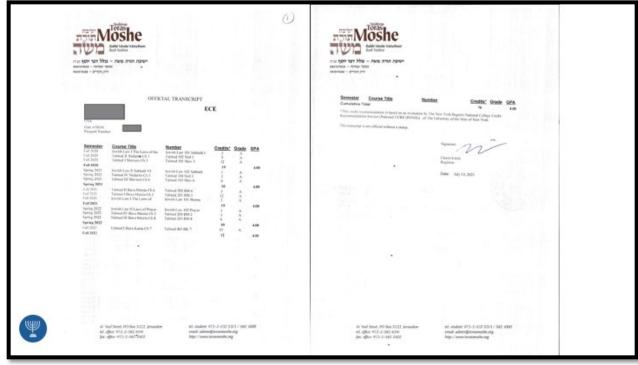












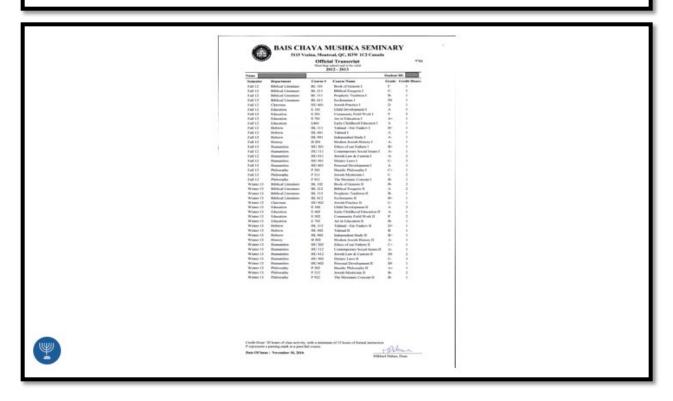
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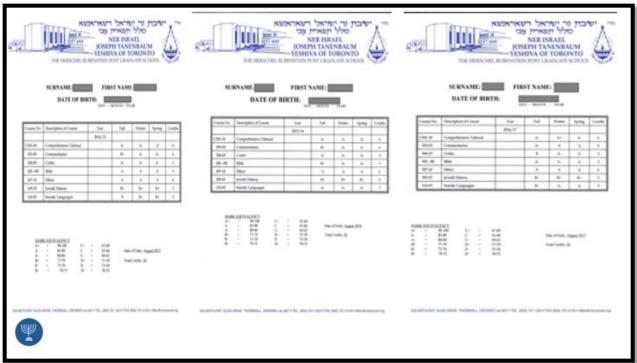
Yeshivas are worldwide

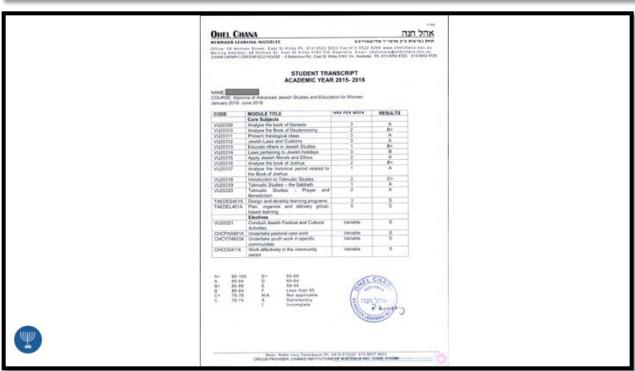
First Yeshiva in the US was Etz Hayyaim (Yeshiva Eitz Chaim) established in New York in 1886, which has now developed into Yeshiva University

1938-First Bais Yaakov established in the US by a student of Sarah Schenirer's









# Things to Consider





Does it have proper recognition?

Would your institution be willing to give transfer credit for these courses?





