

<b>Module Code</b>	AP-1401			
<b>Module Title</b>	An Introduction to Islamic Philosophy			
<b>Type of Module:</b>	Breadth			
<b>Modular Credits:</b> 4	<b>Student Workload:</b>	8 hours per week		
	<b>Contact hours:</b>	2 hours per week		
<b>Prerequisite:</b>	None			
<b>Antirequisite:</b>	None			
<b>Aims/Objectives/Rationale:</b>				
<p>This module aims to expose students to major figures and issues within Islamic philosophy. Far from being an exclusive course dealing with only philosophic issues students would be exposed also to present day issues that are prevalent in the environmental, ethical and social challenges. It is hope that by the end of the course the students would have an overview as well as an explicit view of Islamic philosophy's responses to modern day issues which are within their own diverse fields.</p>				
<b>Module Content :</b>				
<p>The approach taken is historical as well as thematical. Students would be exposed to the rise and development of a distinct school of philosophy in the Islamic tradition. General themes that would be addressed include the nature of existence and essence, God's existence and the knowledge of the world, the nature of knowledge and some aspects of political thought. Major figures dealt with include al-Farabi, Ibn Sina, al-Ghazzali, Ibn Rushd, Suhrawardi, Ibn 'Arabi, Sadruddin Shirazi, Iqbal, Nasr, al-Attas etc. Present day issues include: Islamic philosophy's view of the environment, relativism and post-modernism.</p>				
<b>Assessment</b>	Examination:	<b>50%</b>	<b>Coursework:</b> Weekly writings (paragraphs) based on topics discussed in class (10%) Presentation on Islamic philosophy figures (20%) One essay (20%)	<b>50 %</b>
<b>Textbook(s)/References :</b>				
Fakhry, Majid. (2009). <i>Islamic philosophy: A beginner's guide</i> . London: Oneworld Publications. Fakhry, Majid. (2004). <i>A history of Islamic philosophy</i> (3 <sup>rd</sup> Ed.). New York: Columbia University Press. Nasr, Seyyed Hossein. (1994). <i>A young Muslim's guide to the Modern World</i> . Petaling Jaya: Mekar Publications. Nasr, Seyyed Hossein & O.Leaman (ed.). (1996). <i>History of Islamic philosophy</i> . 2 vols. London: Routledge.				