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The Curriculum

of

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Preamble:

In presenting the curriculum of **Jamia Imaam Ahmad Raza** it will be apt to relate a short history of the syllabus of Islamic sciences so that the academic tendencies, right from the first decade of Islam to the present day, may be briefly estimated.

In the prophetic era education began with the Holy Qur'aan. During the caliphate of Hazrat Umar special arrangement was made, along with the teaching of the Qur'aan, for the teaching, learning, dissemination and publication of the Hadith lore also. As time progressed and educational needs multiplied, as per necessity, disciplines also continued to be added. Till the middle of the second century-Hijri, arts and sciences were restricted to the Qur'aan, Hadith, Fiqh and Arabic poetry. Thereafter, till the end of the fourth century Hijri, which is called the age of invention and production, the introduction of different arts and sciences and their translations came into being along with the civilization, growth and progress, and as per necessity some other arts also began to be taught. As such, Hadith, Tafseer, Fiqh, Principles of Fiqh, Grammar and Syntax, Lexicon, Arabic poetry and History were considered as the subjects for scholastic education of that period. Medicine, Astrology, Astronomy and some other Greek sciences can also be added to this syllabus.

Between the fifth and the seventh century Hijri the science of Dialectics or Scholastic Theology was established through Imam Ghazali and for the support of which, besides the afore-said sciences, poetic sciences like Logic, Philosophy, etc. also became a necessary ingredient in the curriculum of the Islamic schools and universities.

Though these sciences were current, more or less, in all the Islamic lands, nevertheless the impact of national, local and ethnic peculiarities was inevitable in different countries. Since Arab families had settled in countries like Egypt, Syria, etc. in great numbers, giving predominance to Arab leanings in these countries, sciences like Tafseer, Hadith and Asmaur-Rijal were comparatively paid more heed to. In Andalusia (Spain), literature, poetry and history had acquired great ascendancy. In Iran, logic and arid philosophy were predominant, and in Khurasan and Transoxiana, Fiqh, Principles of Fiqh and Tasawwuf were more in the vogue. At the same time, however, due to influences of the milieu and demands of the environs, the process of change and alteration in the syllabi has often taken place in different periods in one and the same country.

The Islamic institutions through ages always aimed to prepare Muslim youth with deep insight of Shariah along with the contemporary academic arts and skills. In Islamic schools, colleges and universities, besides the doctors, engineers and astronauts etc., there was always a group of youth whose aim and ambition was the propagation of Islam and guidance of believers. Thus dissemination of Islamic values and doctrine was in progress.

Takhassus in Tafsir

Subjects		Books
1	Tafsir	Tafsir Ibn-e-Kathir (Para 17 up to last Quran) Tafsir Ibn-e-Kathir (Sura Saffat up to sura Najam)
2	Tafsir	Baizavi (Sura-e-Baqra)
3	Tafsir	Baizavi (Sura A'al-e-Imran up to sura A'araf)
4	Tafsir	Baizavi (Sura A'al-e-Imran up to sura A'araf)
5	Usool-e-Tafsir	Manahilul Irfan (some chapter)
6	Usool-e-Tafsir	Sabiluri Rishad

Takhassus in Arabic Literature

Subjects		Books
1	Prose	Asalibul Insha
2	Prose	An-Nathrul Jadid
3	Poetry	Deevan-e-Hemasa, Sab'a Mu'allaqa
4	History	Tareekh-ul-Adab-il-Arabi
5	Balaghat	Albalaghatul Waziha
6	Insha	Insha-e-Arabi
7	External Study	Hiyati, Al-iyam, Abarat, Abqriyat
8	New Prose	Rijal minat Tareekh (P.1 up to 40) Min Nafahat-il-Hiram (P.1up to 50) Hayati (P. 1 up to 60)
9	Old Prose	Wafayatul Aayan (Some chapter) Kitabul Bukhla (Part 1) Kalila w Dimna
10	Insha	Al-Insha-ul-Arabi
11	Tabirat	200 Tabirats clips from Arabic news papers and magazines.
12	Maqala	Arabic article in 100 pages.

Note: After the successful completion of this 2-year course of the specialization the student becomes eligible for receiving the Takhassus degree (Shahadat) of **Jamia**.

<u>Takhassus in Fiqh</u>		
Subjects		Books
1	Faraiz	Siraji (with training)
2	Ifta	Uqood Rasm-il-Mufti
3	Qawaid	Al-Ashbah Wannazair
4	Qawaid	Qawaid-ul-Fiqh
5	Fiqh	Durr-e-Mukhtar (Nikah, Talaq, Waqf etc)
6	Ifta	Tamreen-e-Fatwa
7	Usool	Muqadma Durre Mukhtar, Rasmul Mufti
8	Fatwa writing	Training of Fatwa writing in light of Rasmul
9	Summary of selected chapters	Summary of selected chapters from Raddul Muhtar, Al-Bahrur Ra'ique, Fathul Qadeer, Al-ashbah wan Naza'ir (3rd subject) & another chapters from Shami.
10	Introduction of books on Fatawa	Introduction of Fatawa's books and their specialization.
11	Tamreen-e-Fatawa	Learning of Fatwa writing.

<u>Takhassus in Theology</u>		
Subjects		Books
1	Hikmat-e-Shariyah	Hujjazrullah-il-Baligha
2	Ilm-e-Kalam	Musamira
3	Usool-e-Hadith	Muqadma ibne Salah
4	Fiqh	Al-Ashbah Wannazair
5	Usool-e-Fiqh	Musallemus Saboot
6	Usool-e-Fiqh	Sabilur Rishad

Specially, in the eighteenth and nineteenth century the Ummah was hideously stricken by colonialists. The western invaders always plotted to blow off the candle of Islam. As they had done it in their own lands and beliefs they introduced to the Islamic world in particular a curriculum which discarded any thing related to religion. Consequently, Islamic studies was devaluated, theologians were degraded and portrayed as the symbols of backward thought and amateurish, fools.

The wise Ulama and cautious Sufis had understood the destructive lines of the so-called progressive system. Instantly, they started private institutions and activated the stagnant phase of *Khanqaahs*. Thus numerous Madrasah and Jamiaat were opened. As per the aims and objectives the scholars prepared a special syllabus condensed with Islamic studies. This was modified from time to time. Today there are number of syllabi which are taught in present day Darul Uloom and Jamiaat.

Time and again it is advised to modify these syllabi and introduce some modern subjects in the Madrasah and Islamic institutes of higher learning. There is no problem in doing so because Islam does not differentiate between secular and religious studies. In order to meet the challenges of un-Islamic influences we need the assistance of finance, the energy and dynamic input from concerned community.

The aim of any Islamic centre is to prepare a well versed and vibrant team of youth who practice Islam, teach Islam and propagate Islam. It should aim to earn graduates their daily bread and well being in this world.

Mission, Aims and Core Values for the JAMIA IMAAM AHMAD RAZA

Vision

To be the premier institute of higher Islamic studies.

Mission

A truly international institute of Ahle Sunnah Wal Jamaat that is academically excellent, creative in research, spiritually inspired, motivated and engaged with society.

Principles and core values

The Jamia commits itself to the principals and values enshrined in the books of Ahlussunnah Wal Jamaat and articulated in the verdicts of Imam Ahmad Raza Qadiri of India.

Aims and Objectives:

The aims and objectives of **Jamia** are to:
Develop a dynamic, effective and comprehensive system of education which would produce Ulama and scholars with deep knowledge of Qur'aan and Sunnah and at the same time conversant with the modern sciences and theories of knowledge.

Propagate the message of Islam.

Disseminate the ideology of Ahlussunnah Wal Jamaat as explained by Imam Ahmad Raza رضى الله عنه.

Provide Islamic literature compatible with the needs of modern era.

Safeguard the new generation from uncertainty moral decline.

Guide the Muslims, deviated from the right path.

Find solutions to the complex problems the Ummah is confronted with.

Motivate youth to perform at maximum

Instill love of Islam in the hearts of new generation.

THE CURRICULUM OF JAMIA

After examining all of the above, **Jamia Imam Ahmad Raza** has basically adopted the curriculum known as "Dars-e Nizami", which prevails today in most of the Arabic institutions. Adding more to the syllabus, the education committee of **Jamia** has prepared a new syllabus in which, along with the religious sciences, contemporary sciences and economic necessities too, on the whole, have paid attention to endeavoring to make it more useful.

The profound peculiarity of this syllabus is that more attention has been paid to the student gathering insight through the process of reading and research. Thus moving away from the system where students are spoon fed, future graduates will through their independent reading and research acquire proficiency in any subject of the Islamic studies. The standard of Hadith and Tafseer in this course is much higher along with literature as an additional subject.

The present syllabus of **Jamia** consists of four stages: Primary, Aalimiat, Fazilat, (graduation in Islamic studies) and Takhassus (post graduation in Islamic studies).

According to the rules of **Jamia**, the completion of the primary course is necessary for applying for the Aalimiat class. Similarly, students applying for Aalim course must have passed std.8. The Aalimiat and Fazilat are of 4+2=6 year course. The Takhassus is 2 years course.

The post-graduate course is not compulsory; if the student wants to acquire mastery in any subject or topic, he can take admission in the post-graduate class and continue his education.

The curriculum of **Jamia Imaam Ahmad Raza**, Aalimiat class, Fazilat class, post graduation, as detailed below, consists of the following arts and sciences and books: —

3rd year

Subjects		Books
1	Qur'aan	Qur'aan from 18to 30.
2	Tajweed	Ziaul Qirat
3	Aqeedah	Islamic Belief part one and part two (complete)
4	Islami Akhlq o Adab and Masnoon Duaen	Islamic Antiquates and Duas

4th year

Subjects		Books
1	Qur'aan	Revision
2	Tajweed	Jamiul Waqf /Marifatul Rusoom
3	Aqeedah	Islamic Belief part three (complete)
4	Islami Akhlq o Adab and Masnoon Duaen	Islamic Antiquates and Duas

- Note: After the successful completion of this 4-year course of the Hifz and Qiraat the student becomes eligible for receiving the Hifz and Qiraat degree (Shahadat) of **Jamia**.
- Failing to cope up with the standard of **Jamia** will lead to dismissal.
- The above outlined course is a full time course.

Note: After the successful completion of this 6-year course of the Aalimiat and Fazilat the student becomes eligible for receiving the graduate degree (Shahadat) of **Jamia**.

Hifz & Qiraat

Provisions are made for the memorization of the Holy Qur'aan with discipline, in a short period of time i.e. four years. In this period of time, the student will Insha Allah become a complete and sound hafiz of the Holy Qur'aan.

Along with the memorization of the Holy Qur'aan, a course of Tajweed and Deeniyaat is offered as follows:

1st year		
Subjects		Books
1	Qur'aan	Quran from 1 to 7.
2	Tajweed	Short rules of Tajweed
3	Deeniyaat	Islamic Deeniyaat part two (till page 59 with practical)
4	Islami Akhlq o Adab and Masnoon Duaen	Islamic Antiquates and Duas
2nd year		
Subjects		Books
1	Qur'aan	Qur'aan from 8 to 17.
2	Tajweed	Habibuttajweed
3	Deeniyaat	Islamic Deeniyaat part two (till end with practical) / Duas
4	Islami Akhlq o Adab and Masnoon Duaen	Islamic Antiquates and Duas

Aalimiat and Fazilat Course Outline

1st Year

1st Term		
Subjects		Books
1	Arabic	Minhajul Arabia part one 1-18 lessons
2	Urdu	Tameer e Adab part one / dictation
3	Fiqh	Islamic Deeniyaat part two (till page 59 with practical)
4	Aqeedah	Islamic Belief part one (complete)
5	History	Islamic History part two — page 1- 60
6	Hifz / Tajweed	From Surah Baiyyanah to Al Humazah
7	Arabic Grammar (Sarf)	Misbahus Sarf— (half)
8	Arabic Grammar (Nahw)	Misbahunnahw
9	Language & Arts	English / computer / Mathematic/ Sociology

2nd Term		
Subjects		Books
1	Arabic	Minhajul Arabia part one — part two
2	Urdu	Tameer e Adab part two (half) / dictation
3	Fiqh	Islamic Deeniyaat part two (from page60 to page 91 with practical)
4	Aqeedah	Islamic Belief part two (complete)
5	History	Islamic History part two — page 1- 119
6	Hifz / Tajweed	From Surah Feel to Al Naas
7	Arabic Grammar (Sarf)	Misbahus Sarf— (complete)
8	Arabic Grammar (Nahw)	Misbahunnahw
9	Language & Arts	English / computer / Mathematic/ Sociology

3rd Term

Subjects		Books
1	Arabic	Minhajul Arabia part two complete
2	Urdu	Tameer e Adab part two (2nd half) / dictation
3	Fiqh	Islamic Deenyaat part two (till end with practical) / Duas
4	Aqeedah	Islamic Belief part three (complete)
5	History	Islamic History part two — till end
6	Hifz / Tajweed	From Surah Wadduha to Al Qadr
7	Arabic Grammar (Sarf)	Misbahus Sarf— Munshaieb
8	Arabic Grammar (Nahw)	Misbahunnahw
9	Language & Arts	English / computer / Mathematic/ Sociology

2nd Year

1st Term

Subjects		Books
1	Arabic compositions	Faizul Adab part one
2	Arabic literature	Qasasun Nabiyyeen part one 16 lessons
3	Fiqh	Noorul Izaah
4	Nahw	Misbahunnahw
5	Sarf	Panj Ganj (English)
6	Hifz / Tajweed	Surah Balad, Shams, Lail
7	Urdu	Tameer e Adab part three (half) / dictation
8	Language & Arts	
9	Self-study/ English / Mathematic/ Sociology	

2nd Term

Subjects		Books
1	Arabic composition	Al Tabeer wl Insha (free) / Tareekhul Adabil Arabi
2	Tafsser	Madarik
2	Fiqh	Hidayah Akheerain
3	Hadith	Bukhari Sharif
4	Hadith	Muslim Shareef
5	Hadith	Tirmizi Shareef
7	Comparative religion	
8	Self-study/ English / Mathematic/ Sociology	

3rd Term

Subjects		Books
1	Arabic composition	Al Tabeer wl Insha (free) / Tareekhul Adabil Arabi
2	Tafsser	Madarik
2	Fiqh	Hidayah Akheerain
3	Hadith	Bukhari Sharif
4	Hadith	Muslim Shareef
5	Hadith	Tirmizi Shareef
7	Comparative religion	
8	Self-study/ English / Mathematic/ Sociology	

3rd Term		
Subjects		Books
1	Arabic composition	Al Tabeer wl Insha (free) / Tareekhul Adabil Arabi
2	Tafsser	Jalalain
2	Ilmul Miraath	Siraji
3	Fiqh	Hidayah Awwalain
4	Hadith	Mishkatul Masabeeh
5	Balaghah	Al Balaghatul Wadihah part 2
7	Usoolul Fiqh	Noorul Anwar
8	Hifz / Tajweed	Marifatur Rusoom / Revision
9	Self-study/ English / Mathematic/ Sociology	

Aalimiyaat Completed

6 Year

1st Term		
Subjects		Books
1	Arabic composition	Al Tabeer wl Insha (free) / Tareekhul Adabil Arabi
2	Tafsser	Madarik
2	Ilmul Miraath	Siraji
3	Fiqh	Hidayah Akheerain
4	Hadith	Bukhari Sharif
5	Hadith	Muslim Shareef
7	Hadith	Tirmizi Shareef
8	Comparative religion	
9	Self-study/ English / Mathematic/ Sociology	

2nd Term		
Subjects		Books
1	Arabic composition	Faizul Adab part two / Tarkeeb
2	Urdu	Tameer e Adab part three (second half) / dictation
2	Arabic literature	Qasasun Nabiyyeen part one till end
3	Fiqh	Noorul Izaah
4	Nahw	Misbahunnahw
5	Sarf	Panj Ganj (English)
7	Mantique	Al Mantique (Arabic)
8	Hifz / Tajweed	Surah Aala, Ghashiyah, Fajr
9	Self-study/ English / Mathematic/ Sociology	

3rd Term		
Subjects		Books
1	Arabic composition	Faizul Adab part two / Tarkeeb
2	Urdu	Tameer e Adab part four (half) / dictation
2	Arabic literature	Qasasun Nabiyyeen part two 22 lesson
3	Fiqh	Qudoori
4	Nahw	Sharhe Miate Aamil
5	Sarf	Ilmus Sighah
7	Mantique	Al Mirqat (Arabic)
8	Hifz / Tajweed	Surah Inshiqaaq, Burooj, Tarique,
9	Self-study/ English / Mathematic/ Sociology	

3rd Year

1st Term		
Subjects		Books
1	Arabic composition	Muallimul Insha part one / Azharul Arab
2	Urdu	Tameer e Adab part three (second half) / dictation
2	Arabic literature	Qasasun Nabiyyeen part two till end
3	Fiqh	Noorul Izaah
4	Nahw	Qatarunnada
5	Sarf	Ilmus Sighah
7	Hifz / Tajweed	Surah Tkweer, Infitaar, Mutaffifeen
8	Mantique	Al Mirqaat
9	Self-study/ English / Mathematic/ Sociology	

2nd Term

Subjects		Books
1	Arabic composition	Muallimul Insha part 1 / Azharul Arab
2	Urdu	Tameer e Adab part four (half) / dictation
2	Arabic literature	Qasasun Nabiyyeen part 3 25 lessons
3	Fiqh	Qudoori
4	Nahw	Qatarunnada
5	Sarf	Ilmus Sighah
7	Usoolul Fiqh	Tasheelo Usoolil Fiqh (Arabic)
8	Hifz / Tajweed	Surah Naba, Naziaat, Abas
9	Self-study/ English / Mathematic/ Sociology	

5th Year

1st Term		
Subjects		Books
1	Arabic composition	Muallimul Insha part 3 / Al Madeehun Nabawi
2	Tafsser / Usoolt Tafseer	Jalalain / Al Fauzul Kabir
2	Arabic literature	Tareekhul Adabil Arabi
3	Fiqh	Hidayah Awwalain
4	Hadith / Usoolul Hadith	Mishkatul Masabeeh along with preamble
5	Balaghah	Al Balaghatul Wadihah part 1
7	Usoolul Fiqh	Noorul Anwar
8	Hifz / Tajweed	Jamiul Waqf / Practical Juz 5
9	Self-study/ English / Mathematic/ Sociology	

2nd Term

Subjects		Books
1	Arabic composition	Al Tabeer wl Insha (free) / Al Madeehun Nabawi
2	Tafsser / Usoolt Tafseer	Jalalain / Al Fauzul Kabir
2	Arabic literature	Tareekhul Adabil Arabi
3	Fiqh	Hidayah Awwalain
4	Hadith	Mishkatul Masabeeh
5	Balaghah	Al Balaghatul Wadihah part 1
7	Usoolul Fiqh	Noorul Anwar
8	Hifz / Tajweed	Jamiul Waqf / Practical Juz 6
9	Self-study/ English / Mathematic/ Sociology	

2nd Term		
Subjects		Books
1	Arabic composition	Muallimul Insha part 3 / Al Adabul Jameel
2	Urdu	Tameer e Adab part five (second half) / Hadaeiqe Bakhshish
2	Arabic literature	Tareekhul Khulafa
3	Fiqh	Sharhe Wiqayah part 1
4	Darsul Quraan / Hadith	Darsul Quraan / Muatta Imam Muhammad
5	Arooz	Moinul Arooz
7	Usoolul Fiqh	Usools Shashi
8	Hifz / Tajweed	Ziaul Qirat / Practical Juz 3
9	Self-study/ English / Mathematic/ Sociology	

3rd Term		
Subjects		Books
1	Arabic composition	Muallimul Insha part 3 / Al Adabul Jameel
2	Urdu	Tameer e Adab part five (second half) / Hadaeiqe Bakhshish
2	Arabic literature	Tareekhul Khulafa
3	Fiqh	Sharhe Wiqayah part 2
4	Darsul Quraan / Hadith	Darsul Quraan / Muatta Imam Muhammad
5	Arooz	Moinul Arooz
7	Usoolul Fiqh	Usools Shashi
8	Hifz / Tajweed	Ziaul Qirat / Practical Juz 4
9	Self-study/ English / Mathematic/ Sociology	

3rd Term		
Subjects		Books
1	Arabic composition	Muallimul Insha part 1 / Majanil Adab
2	Urdu	Tameer e Adab part four (second half) / dictation
2	Arabic literature	Qasasun Nabiyyeen part 3 25 till end
3	Fiqh	Qudoori
4	Nahw	Qatarunnada
5	Sarf	Ilmus Sighah
7	Usoolul Fiqh	Tasheelo Usoolil Fiqh (Arabic)
8	Hifz / Tajweed	Habibutajweed / Practical Juz 1
9	Self-study/ English / Mathematic/ Sociology	

4th Year		
1rs Term		
Subjects		Books
1	Arabic composition	Muallimul Insha part 2 / Mansoorat
2	Urdu	Tameer e Adab part five (half) / dictation
2	Arabic literature	Tareekhul Khulafa
3	Fiqh	Sharh e Wiqayah part 1
4	Hadith	Anwarul Hadith / Darsul Quraan
5	Balaghah	Duroosul Balaghah
7	Usoolul Fiqh	Usoolus Shasi
8	Hifz / Tajweed	Habibutajweed / Practical Juz 2
9	Self-study/ English / Mathematic/ Sociology	