

Introduction:

Based on the university's philosophy and mission, which is based on the Islamic faith, and on the concepts of science, faith, morals, work and cooperation, the Faculty was established in 1994, responding to the policy of the university that is built on Islamic creed and the concepts of faith, knowledge and deed. The faculty of Sharia houses two departments: Department of Foundations of Religion and Department of Principles of Islamic Jurisprudence.

Vision:

Striving to achieve the highest quality standards and academic accreditation in education, qualification, and scientific research for both faculty members and students, serving the local community, combining authenticity and modernity, preserving the principles of religion and the purposes of Sharia, and focusing on moderate thought.

Mission:

The Faculty of Sharia seeks to find scientific outputs in accordance with comprehensive quality standards in the fields of: education, research, qualifying distinguished specialists in the legal field scientifically, intellectually and behaviorally. It also enables them to play an active role in community service in the theoretical and practical legal fields, which reflects the image of true Islam.

Faculty departments and specializations:

The Faculty of Sharia houses two departments:

- Department of Foundations of Religion.
- Department of Principles of Islamic Jurisprudence.

The scientific courses in both Departments cover different types of Sharia sciences. The two departments were established at the beginning of the academic year 1994/1995, by a decision of the Deans Council, which provides for the establishment of two academic departments in the Faculty of Sharia, and thus each of the departments received its students who were accepted after 1994 AD.

The two departments grant a bachelor's degree in the Foundations of Religion, or Principles of Islamic Jurisprudence, according to the student's specialization, and they contribute to the general activities of the Faculty, university, and the local community: such as reviving religious occasions in mosques, schools, clubs, scientific days of the Faculty, jurisprudence seminars on modern topics, and participation in seminars and specialized courses, and cooperation with the Islamic Cultural Center.

The Faculty also has cooperative academic relations with its two departments with the corresponding departments in other universities, inside and outside the Kingdom, which contributes to building bridges of cooperation and integration with the local community, and the university, at the local and international levels.

Objectives:

The faculty seeks to achieve the following objectives:

- 1. Graduating students capable of understanding legislative rules and implement them in accordance with the general purposes of Islamic legislation.
- Raising religious awareness among the individuals in the community and spreading the spirit of compliance with the rules of Islam.
- 3. Contributing effectively to scientific research papers, conferences, seminars and different studies, particularly in the fields and issues characterized by modernity in order to create a sound jurisprudential opinion without contradiction with the legislative purposes and achieve the interest of both individuals and community.
- Demonstrating the bright image of Islam and creating the objective scientific mentality characterized by moderation and centralism.
- 5. Paying special attention to Islamic jurisprudence and its divisions, particularly deduction and rooting.
- 6. Creating Islamic personality faithful to its religion, country and nation, marked by understanding deeply the Islamic religion and gathering modernity and tradition.
- Creating jurisprudential and scientific talent, developing the skill of reading, deducing, concluding and writing scientific researches.
- 8. The formation of the Islamic personality belonging to its religion, homeland and nation, and distinguished in its understanding of Islam, as it is a deep understanding characterized by moderation, combining originality and contemporary, comprehending the objectives of Islamic law.
- Training and preparing specialized scientific competences that meet the needs of contemporary Islamic community inside and outside the fields of thought, legislation, judiciary, economy, education, social reform and scientific legacy.
- 10. Making progress in methods and curricula of education established in the faculty in the fields of jurisprudence, foundations of Hadith and Quran to fit the requirements of current issues.

Scientific Research and Community Service:

During the previous years, the Faculty held several international refereed conferences, including: the two international arbitrator conferences held by the Faculty of Sharia in cooperation with the faculties of law, and Media, entitled: Islamic Awareness Discourse between Sharia and Law in the period 13-14/5/201 AD, and a conference entitled: The Role of Sharia, Law and Media in the Fight Against Terrorism in the Period 30-31/3/2016 AD, the Conference on Skills of Serving the Prophet's Sunnah in cooperation with the Hadith Society, in the period 10-11/5/2017 AD, and the Conference on Higher Education in the Arab World in the Light of Global Challenges and Transformations, which was held in cooperation with the College of Educational Sciences on 2-3/5/2018.

Teaching Staff:

The Faculty includes a number of distinguished faculty members who hold doctorate degrees from various academic disciplines, and of all scientific ranks, from internationally reputable universities, and they have refereed scientific papers and research, and active participation in international scientific conferences.



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