

IIPS Outsourcing Fact Sheet

1. One Year MA programme accredited by Winchester University.
2. The MA is will be a Masters in Islamic Education.
3. This is an Distance Learning Course (No Physical presence required or desired as the programme will be run online)
4. The Criteria for joining the MA Course is flexible and open to members of our Community who meets the requirements of Winchester University MA programme.
5. The requirements are normally that the applicant has a first degree from a recognised university (most of the universities in the world are recognised including those in Iran) or is a mature student with experience (This will also assist resident Aalims who do not have a first degree to undertake this programme, if so desired).
6. The proposal is that the Programme would commence in April 2012 or September 2012 depending on the Winchester University Academic Calendar but not before April 2012.
7. The World Federation's will give NO financial commitment or guarantee of employment to any of the applicants. For purpose of clarity, there will be no stipend payment to any applicant undertaking this MA Programme or any other expenses like travel to visit the University Graduation, etc.
8. There will be no entry fees charged to the applicants wanting to undertake this master's programme at this stage of the process but this position can be reviewed after the first cohort of Masters students have completed their MA Programme.
9. The Office bearers are recommending that this programme only be started if there is a **minimum** intake of 5 students in the 2012 cohort and thereafter as well. If this minimum number of student is not achieved, that the office bearers will let the Winchester University accreditation lapse.
10. The Budget required for this MA programme is fixed not based on the number of students but rather the MA programme itself. Hence the more the number of applicants, the cost per applicant is automatically lowered as explained in the table below.

11. It should be noted from the proposed budget, that the Office Bearers are working on a proposal to see if it is at all possible for the Administration cost of £15,000 can be reduced or completely removed by taking in the work in-house and amalgamating it within the current pool of staff at the Secretariat if a saving could be achieved. If however, the cost of taking it in-house is greater than the maximum estimated budget of £15,000 then this will be left as it is with the service provider.

**Cost Comparison for Varying students on IIPS Distance Learning
MA 1 Year Programme Only**

	Base Costs Not Variable	Distance Learning Min 5 Student	Distance Learning 7 Students	Distance Learning 10 Students
Set up Cost	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Winchester University Cost - Annual	£20,100.00	£20,100.00	£20,100.00	£20,100.00
Outsource costs				
Cost of Running MA outsourced	£24,500.00	£24,500.00	£24,500.00	£24,500.00
MA Supervision Dissertation (£250 per student)	£250.00	£1,250.00	£1,750.00	£2,500.00
Administration Cost	£15,000.00	£15,000.00	£15,000.00	£15,000.00
Contingency		£2,500.00	£2,500.00	£2,500.00
Total Costs	£59,850.00	£63,350.00	£63,850.00	£64,600.00
Cost Per Student		£12,670.00	£9,121.43	£6,460.00