



The Story of Medina: Seerah After the Hijra

HST 201 | Summer, 2024

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Class Location: Quad Room

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PREREQUISITES

Successful completion of HST 101 – The Story of Mecca. Students who have not fulfilled the prerequisite are welcome to audit this class. To see the audit policy, please visit the web site: <http://planomasjid.org/marifa/marifa-audit-policy>.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course will be a study of the Seerah (biography) of the Prophet ﷺ, focusing on the period after migration until his demise. This course provides a comprehensive analysis of the Prophet's life in Madinah, focusing on key events, social dynamics, and political developments. Students will gain insights into the establishment of Islamic governance, defense mechanism, spreading the message and all the challenges they faced in the process.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

1. Gain insights into the development of Islamic governance and societal structures during the Madinan phase of Prophet Muhammad's Seerah.
2. Analyze diplomatic efforts, interfaith relations, and treaties enacted by the Prophet, offering lessons in diplomacy and peaceful coexistence.
3. Extract principles of community building, conflict resolution, and leadership from the Madinan phase Seerah, applicable to modern societal challenges.

TEXTBOOKS

1. **Required:** Mohiuddin, Meraj, *Revelation: The Story of Muhammad, peace and blessings be upon him*. Whiteboard Press.
2. **Recommended:** Qadhi, Dr. Yasir, *The Sirah of the Prophet*. Kube Publishing Ltd.

CLASS POLICIES

1. Make every possible effort to be on time! Coming late or leaving early can leave you with misunderstandings about what is discussed during class. If you are late or absent, be sure to listen to the class recording before the next class.
2. You are expected to read the assigned portion of the textbook before coming to class. Not doing so will disqualify you from asking questions during class.
3. You may use electronic devices in exclusively for class-related purposes. Cell phones must be silenced during class.
4. Use your full name during all Zoom sessions. Do not use nicknames or fake names. Names that are not on the roster will be removed from the meeting.
5. All assignments must be submitted on time. No exceptions allowed.
6. No make-up exams will be permitted without a documented excuse. Students who miss an exam with a legitimate excuse must email me as soon as possible.

COURSE ASSESSMENT & GRADING

1. Weekly Online Quizzes – 60%

- To help students stay on top of reading and lectures
- Released on Wednesday after the class, due on Monday before next class
- Lowest 2 grades (out of 8) will be dropped

2. Letters to the Beloved – 40%

Task: At the following four points in the course, compose a letter addressed to the Prophet ﷺ. What would you say to him at this point in your study of the Seerah? What moved or inspired you about the events that transpired? What important lessons can you learn from him ﷺ or what has transpired that you can apply to your own practice and understanding? There is no word requirement. Please speak from the heart. Begin each letter with “Dear RasulAllah...” Email your letters to the TA.

- a. The Battle of Badr (Due Date: **Tue. Jun. 11**)
- b. The Battle of Khandaq (Due Date: **Tue. Jun. 25**)
- c. The Liberation of Mecca & Ṭāʾif (Due Date: **Tue. Jul. 9**)
- d. The Prophet’s Demise (Due Date: **Tue. Jul. 16**)

Note: Your final grade must be higher than 70% in order to receive credit for this course!

TENTATIVE COURSE OUTLINE & READING ASSIGNMENTS

Date	Lecture	Reading Assignment Due
Tue. May 28	1: Overview & The Hijrah	Mohiuddin: §13.1-13.4 (pp.173-181)
Thu. May 30	2: Medina, the New Home	Mohiuddin: §13.5-14.2 (pp.182-197)
Tue. Jun. 4	3: The Battle of Badr	Mohiuddin: §15.1-15.8 (pp.198-210)
Thu. Jun. 6	4: The Battle of Uḥud	Mohiuddin: §15.9-16.6 (pp.211-229)
Tue. Jun. 11	5: Between Uḥud & Khandaq	Mohiuddin: §16.7-17.4 (pp.230-250)
Thu. Jun. 13	6: The Battle of Khandaq	Mohiuddin: §18.1-18.7 (pp.251-274)
Tue. Jun. 18	** No Class (Eid al-Adha) **	
Thu. Jun. 20	** No Class (Eid al-Adha) **	
Tue. Jun. 25	7: The Treaty of Ḥudaybiyya	Mohiuddin: §19.1-19.5 (pp.275-284)
Thu. Jun. 27	8: Between Ḥudaybiyya & the Liberation of Mecca	Mohiuddin: §19.6-19.12 (pp.285-298)
Tue. Jul. 2	9: The Liberation of Mecca & Ṭāʾif	Mohiuddin: §20.1-20.10 (pp.299-318)
Thu. Jul. 4	10: The Battle of Ṭabūk	Mohiuddin: §21.1-21.4 (pp.319-327)
Tue. Jul. 9	11: The Farewell Pilgrimage	Mohiuddin: §22.1-23.7 (pp.328-335)
Thu. Jul. 11	12: The Prophet’s Demise	Mohiuddin: (pp.336-346)
Tue. Jul. 16	13: Tying Loose Ends	
Thu. Jul. 18	14: Concluding Remarks	