

# The Story of Mecca Seerah Until the Hijra



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**Class Times:** Tue. 6-9 PM (Ramadan: Sat. 2:30 – 5:00 PM)

**Class Location:**

**Zoom Meeting ID:**

**Zoom Password:**

## **PREREQUISITES**

Successful completion of MRF (Marifa) 101 – Introduction to Learning the Sacred Sciences.

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 Meccan period. This study will cover the introduction of the science of Seerah, its importance and benefit, the pre revelation era, the surrounding situations, the Prophet's lineage, and all the struggles he and his followers faced with their new founded faith until the migration to Madinah.

## **COURSE OBJECTIVES**

- To gain an understanding of the context in which Islam was founded by studying the Makkan period.
- To foster a sense of relevance between our times and struggles with the early era of Islam.
- To develop and strengthen our love for the Prophet ﷺ .

## **TEXTBOOKS**

### **Required:**

Mohiuddin, Meraj, Revelation: The Story of Muhammad, peace and blessings be upon him.

### **Recommended:**

Sallaabee, Dr. Ali Muhammad, The Noble Life of the Prophet (peace be upon him).

## **CLASS POLICIES**

1. To receive credit for this course, you must attend at least 70% of the classes in-person (i.e., 10 lectures). Students who attend less than 10 lectures will be switched to auditors.
2. 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.
3. 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.
4. You may use electronic devices exclusively for class-related purposes. Cell phones must be silenced

during class.

5. 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.
6. All assignments must be submitted on time. No exceptions allowed.
7. 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.

### **TENTATIVE COURSE OUTLINE & READING ASSIGNMENTS**

Date	Session	
Feb-11	Session 1	Mohiuddin pages 43-56
Feb-18	Session 2	Mohiuddin pages 57-67
Feb-25	Session 3	Mohiuddin pages 67-76
Mar-1 (Sat)	Session 4	Mohiuddin pages 77-90
Mar-8 (Sat)	Session 5	Mohiuddin pages 91-102
Mar-15 (Sat)	Session 6	Mohiuddin pages 103-112
Apr-1	Session 7 (Quiz #1)	Mohiuddin pages 113-123
Apr-8	Session 8	Mohiuddin pages 124-133
Apr-15	Session 9	Mohiuddin pages 134-144
Apr-22	Session 10	Mohiuddin pages 145-153
Apr-29	Session 11	Mohiuddin pages 154-159
May-6	Session 12	Mohiuddin pages 160-166
May-13	Session 13 (Quiz #2)	Mohiuddin pages 167-169

### **COURSE ASSESSMENT & GRADING**

#### **Evaluation Criteria:**

#### **Two Quizzes: (Both quizzes 50% of final grade)**

Quiz #1 Apr-1 Covering sessions 1-7

Quiz #2 May-13 Covering sessions 8-13

#### **Project Assignments: Entire assignment 50% of final grade**

## **Assignment One: Letters to the Beloved**

**Due Date:** One week after the assigned session (see details below).

Task:

At four key points throughout the course, write a heartfelt letter addressed to Rasulallah ﷺ. Reflect on your study of the Seerah up to that moment—what would you express to him? Consider what moved or inspired you, the lessons you've learned, and how his ﷺ life influences your personal practice and understanding. There is no word limit; write sincerely and from the heart.

Each letter should begin with:

**"Dear RasulAllah..."**

### **Submission Schedule:**

1. After completing **Session 5**
2. After completing **Session 8**
3. After completing **Session 11**
4. After completing **Session 13**