

Year	Level	Course Code	Core or Elective	Department	Course Name	Course Description	Instructional Hours	Prerequisite
1.1	Intermediate	HAD101	Core	Hadith	Introductory Hadith Studies I	As a study of Imam Abū Zakariyyā al-Nawawī's renowned hadith collection on virtues <i>Riyāḍ al-Ṣāliḥīn</i> , the course consists of reading and translating the narrations of the work alongside a brief commentary provided by the instructor. Through this course students are expected not only to understand and memorize hadith of everyday importance, but also to use the prophetic traditions to strengthen their Arabic vocabulary and grammar.	5	PCS102 PCS112 PCS122 PCS132 PCS142 PCS162 OR PCS204 PCS212 PCS214 PCS224
1.2	Intermediate	HAD102	Core	Hadith	Introductory Hadith Studies II	As a study of Imam Abū Zakariyyā al-Nawawī's renowned hadith collection on virtues <i>Riyāḍ al-Ṣāliḥīn</i> , the course consists of reading and translating the narrations of the work alongside a brief commentary provided by the instructor. Through this course students are expected not only to understand and memorize hadith of everyday importance, but also to use the Prophetic traditions to strengthen their Arabic vocabulary and grammar.	5	PCS102 PCS112 PCS122 PCS132 PCS142 PCS162 OR PCS204 PCS212 PCS214 PCS224
3.1	Intermediate	HAD301	Core	Hadith	Introductory Hadith Critical Methodology	This course is an introductory study of the terminology and critical methodology of the hadith sciences as well as a general survey of hadith literature. The course introduces students to foundational hadith nomenclature (muṣṭalah) and critical concepts of the hadith sciences through 'Abd al-Ḥaqq al-Dihlawī's (d. 1052/1642) Muqaddamah fī Uṣūl al-Ḥadīth, followed by the analysis of Raḍī al-Dīn al-Ṭabarī's (d. 722/1344) al-Mulakhkhaṣ fī Uṣūl al-Ḥadīth and Ḥāfiẓ Ibn Ḥajar 'Asqalānī's (852/1474) Nuzhat al-Nazar. Supplemental lectures and readings on the history of hadith compilation, famous figures and key literature, Western criticism and Muslim responses, the authority of hadith, etc... will enrich the student's understanding of the hadith's historical, epistemological, and legal significance.	5	ARAB212 ARAB252 QUR202 LAW202 LAW212 LAW222 LAW231 LAW241 HAD102 HUM202
3.2	Intermediate	HAD302	Core	Hadith	Intermediate Hadith Critical Methodology	This course critically analyzes the intermediate-level hadith sciences text <i>Nuzhat al-Nazar</i> of Ibn Ḥajar al-'Asqalānī (d. 852/1449), expanding the study of the hadith sciences beyond terminology and into subfields such as narrator criticism (<i>jarḥ wa ta'dīl</i>), prosopography (<i>rijāl</i>), and the ethics of hadith reception and transmission. Students will be expected to analyze the text critically using glosses and commentaries written by the author's own students Qāsim b. Quṭlūbghā (d. 879/1474) and al-Kamāl Ibn Abī Sharīf (d. 906/1501). 'Abd al-Ḥayy al-Laknawī's (d. 1305/1886) work on narrator criticism (<i>al-jarḥ wa al-ta'dīl</i>) entitled <i>al-Raf' wa al-Takmil</i> is thereafter studied with the critical notes of 'Abd al-Fattāḥ Abū Ghuddah. Students will additionally be taught to explore and access various genres of hadith works, especially the glossaries, indexes, dictionaries, and catalogs unique to the field as an introduction into <i>takhrīj al-ḥadīth wa dirāsāt al-asānīd</i> .	5	HAD301

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4.1	Intermediate	HAD401	Core	Hadith	Hadith Studies: <i>Mishkāt al-Maṣābīḥ</i> I	This course consists of an extensive study of al-Khaṭīb al-Tibrizī's (d. 741/1341) hadith work <i>Mishkāt al-Maṣābīḥ</i> (a six-thousand plus report super-collection of hadith). The course provides a thorough and critical analysis of the theological, legal, and ethical rules derived from its narrations as well as their historical authenticity. Through the study of a work that collects hadith of not only the six canonical <i>Ṣaḥīḥ</i> works but also those of Imams Mālik, Aḥmad, al-Dārimī, al-Bayhaqī, al-Dāraquṭnī, and Razīn, students are given a thorough exposure to the Islamic understanding (<i>al-mafhūm al-Islāmī</i>) found in hadith literature. Students are expected to engage with not only the hadith texts but the valuable gloss of Aḥmad 'Alī al-Sahāranpūrī (d. 1297/1880) and commentaries such as those of Mullā 'Alī al-Qārī (d. 1014/1605) and 'Abd al-Ḥaqq al-Dihlawī (d. 1052/1642).	5	THEO102 HAD302 HUM302 ARAB352 QUR302 LAW332
4.1	Intermediate	HAD403	Core	Hadith	Hadith Studies: <i>Mishkāt al-Maṣābīḥ</i> III	This course consists of an extensive study of al-Khaṭīb al-Tibrizī's (d. 741/1341) hadith work <i>Mishkāt al-Maṣābīḥ</i> (a six-thousand plus report super-collection of hadith). The course provides a thorough and critical analysis of the theological, legal, and ethical rules derived from its narrations as well as their historical authenticity. Through the study of a work that collects hadith of not only the six canonical <i>Ṣaḥīḥ</i> works but also those of Imams Mālik, Aḥmad, al-Dārimī, al-Bayhaqī, al-Dāraquṭnī, and Razīn, students are given a thorough exposure to the Islamic understanding (<i>al-mafhūm al-Islāmī</i>) found in hadith literature. Students are expected to engage with not only the hadith texts but the valuable gloss of Aḥmad 'Alī al-Sahāranpūrī (d. 1297/1880) and commentaries such as those of Mullā 'Alī al-Qārī (d. 1014/1605) and 'Abd al-Ḥaqq al-Dihlawī (d. 1052/1642).	5	THEO102 HAD302 HUM302 ARAB352 QUR302 LAW332
4.2	Intermediate	HAD402	Core	Hadith	Hadith Studies: <i>Mishkāt al-Maṣābīḥ</i> II	This course consists of an extensive study of al-Khaṭīb al-Tibrizī's (d. 741/1341) hadith work <i>Mishkāt al-Maṣābīḥ</i> (a six-thousand plus report super-collection of hadith). The course provides a thorough and critical analysis of the theological, legal, and ethical rules derived from its narrations as well as their historical authenticity. Through the study of a work that collects hadith of not only the six canonical <i>Ṣaḥīḥ</i> works but also those of Imams Mālik, Aḥmad, al-Dārimī, al-Bayhaqī, al-Dāraquṭnī, and Razīn, students are given a thorough exposure to the Islamic understanding (<i>al-mafhūm al-Islāmī</i>) found in hadith literature. Students are expected to engage with not only the hadith texts but the valuable gloss of Aḥmad 'Alī al-Sahāranpūrī (d. 1297/1880) and commentaries such as those of Mullā 'Alī al-Qārī (d. 1014/1605) and 'Abd al-Ḥaqq al-Dihlawī (d. 1052/1642).	5	HAD401
4.2	Intermediate	HAD404	Core	Hadith	Hadith Studies: <i>Mishkāt al-Maṣābīḥ</i> IV	This course consists of an extensive study of al-Khaṭīb al-Tibrizī's (d. 741/1341) hadith work <i>Mishkāt al-Maṣābīḥ</i> (a six-thousand plus report super-collection of hadith). The course provides a thorough and critical analysis of the theological, legal, and ethical rules derived from its narrations as well as their historical authenticity. Through the study of a work that collects hadith of not only the six canonical <i>Ṣaḥīḥ</i> works but also those of Imams Mālik, Aḥmad, al-Dārimī, al-Bayhaqī, al-Dāraquṭnī, and Razīn, students are given a thorough exposure to the Islamic understanding (<i>al-mafhūm al-Islāmī</i>) found in hadith literature. Students are expected to engage with not only the hadith texts but the valuable gloss of Aḥmad 'Alī al-Sahāranpūrī (d. 1297/1880) and commentaries such as those of Mullā 'Alī al-Qārī (d. 1014/1605) and 'Abd al-Ḥaqq al-Dihlawī (d. 1052/1642).	5	HAD403

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5.1	Advanced	HAD501	Core	Hadith	Early Legal Hadith Discourse I	This course is an intensive analysis of the earliest legal arguments from hadith, in particular those employed by the preeminent jurists of the first and second centuries: Imams Abū Ḥanīfah, Mālik, Abū Yūsuf, and Muḥammad b. al-Ḥasan al-Shaybānī. Particular emphasis is devoted to legal arguments found in the transmissions of Mālik's al-Muwatṭā through Muḥammad b. al-Ḥasan and Yahyā b. Yahyā al-Laythī, but readings in Muḥammad b. al-Ḥasan's <i>Kitāb al-Hujjah</i> , Abū Ḥanīfah's <i>Kitāb al-Āthār</i> , and al-Khawārizimī's <i>Jāmi' Masānid al-Imām al-A'zam</i> are also included. Considerable attention will be given to understanding the different approaches of the <i>Ahl al-Ra'y</i> (jurists) and <i>Ahl al-Hadith</i> (hadith transmitters) as well as those between the early (Ḥanafī and Mālikī) and later (Shāfi'ī and Ḥanbalī) juridical schools.	4	LAW401 LAW402 HAD401 HAD402 HAD403 HAD404
5.1	Advanced	HAD511	Core	Hadith	Synthesizing the Legal Hadith: <i>Sharḥ Ma'āni al-Āthār</i> I	The bifurcation of the juridical schools along the lines of <i>Ahl al-Hadith</i> (hadith transmitters) and <i>Ahl al-Ra'y</i> (jurists) was largely a consequence of claims from the former that the latter's overuse of legal reasoning (<i>ra'y</i>) resulted in a neglect of clear and established hadith evidence. Imam Abū Ja'far al-Ṭaḥāwī addresses this claim in a monumental hadith collection, <i>Sharḥ Ma'āni al-Āthār</i> , that serves as one of the earliest expansive hadith-based defense of the positions of Imam Abū Ḥanīfah and his followers. A thorough reading of the work will introduce students not only to the specific textual proofs of the Ḥanafī school but also the wide range of juristic reasoning and principles (<i>uṣūl</i>) employed therein.	5	LAW401 LAW402 HAD401 HAD402 HAD403 HAD404
5.1	Advanced	HAD521	Core	Hadith	Legal Hadith Studies: <i>Sunan Abī Dāwūd</i> I	The <i>sunan</i> genre of hadith literature primarily focuses on the evidence early Muslim jurists used in their arguments. This course examines the <i>Sunan</i> of Abū Dāwūd al-Sijistānī (d. 204/819) from both a jurisprudential and a critical historical perspective, explaining the use of each hadith in support of a variety of legal positions as well as exploring the grading of the hadith by the author and other classical hadith scholars.	4	LAW401 LAW402 HAD401 HAD402 HAD403 HAD404
5.1	Advanced	HAD531	Core	Hadith	Legal Hadith Studies: <i>Sunan al-Tirmidhī</i> I	The <i>sunan</i> genre of hadith literature primarily focuses on the evidence early Muslim jurists used in their arguments. This course examines the <i>Sunan</i> of Muḥammad b. 'Īsā al-Tirmidhī (d. 279/892) from both a jurisprudential and a critical historical perspective, explaining the use of each hadith in support of a variety of legal positions but also exploring the grading of the hadith by the author and other classical hadith scholars.	5	LAW401 LAW402 HAD401 HAD402 HAD403 HAD404
5.1	Advanced	HAD533	Core	Hadith	Legal Hadith Studies: <i>Sunan al-Tirmidhī</i> III	The <i>sunan</i> genre of hadith literature primarily focuses on the evidence early Muslim jurists used in their arguments. This course examines the <i>Sunan</i> of Muḥammad b. 'Īsā al-Tirmidhī (d. 279/892) from both a jurisprudential and a critical historical perspective, explaining the use of each hadith in support of a variety of legal positions but also exploring the grading of the hadith by the author and other classical hadith scholars.	5	LAW401 LAW402 HAD401 HAD402 HAD403 HAD404
5.2	Advanced	HAD502	Core	Hadith	Early Legal Hadith Discourse II	This course is an intensive analysis of the earliest legal arguments from hadith, in particular those employed by the preeminent jurists of the first and second centuries: Imams Abū Ḥanīfah, Mālik, Abū Yūsuf, and Muḥammad b. al-Ḥasan al-Shaybānī. Particular emphasis is devoted to legal arguments found in the transmissions of Mālik's al-Muwatṭā through Muḥammad b. al-Ḥasan and Yahyā b. Yahyā al-Laythī, but readings in Muḥammad b. al-Ḥasan's <i>Kitāb al-Hujjah</i> , Abū Ḥanīfah's <i>Kitāb al-Āthār</i> , and al-Khawārizimī's <i>Jāmi' Masānid al-Imām al-A'zam</i> are also included. Considerable attention will be given to understanding the different approaches of the <i>Ahl al-Ra'y</i> (jurists) and <i>Ahl al-Hadith</i> (hadith transmitters) as well as those between the early (Ḥanafī and Mālikī) and later (Shāfi'ī and Ḥanbalī) juridical schools.	4	HAD501

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5.2	Advanced	HAD512	Core	Hadith	Synthesizing the Legal Hadith: <i>Sharḥ Ma'ānī al-Āthār</i> II	The bifurcation of the juridical schools along the lines of <i>Ahl al-Ḥadīth</i> (hadith transmitters) and <i>Ahl al-Ra'y</i> (jurists) was largely a consequence of claims from the former that the latter's overuse of legal reasoning (<i>ra'y</i>) resulted in a neglect of clear and established hadith evidence. Imam Abū Ja'far al-Ṭaḥāwī addresses this claim in a monumental hadith collection, <i>Sharḥ Ma'ānī al-Āthār</i> , that serves as one of the earliest expansive hadith-based defense of the positions of Imam Abū Ḥanīfah and his followers. A thorough reading of the work will introduce students not only to the specific textual proofs of the Ḥanafī school but also the wide range of juristic reasoning and principles (<i>uṣūl</i>) employed therein.	5	HAD511
5.2	Advanced	HAD522	Core	Hadith	Legal Hadith Studies: <i>Sunan Abī Dāwūd</i> II	The <i>sunan</i> genre of hadith literature primarily focuses on the evidence early Muslim jurists used in their arguments. This course examines the <i>Sunan</i> of Abū Dāwūd al-Sijistānī (d. 204/819) from both a jurisprudential and a critical historical perspective, explaining the use of each hadith in support of a variety of legal positions as well as exploring the grading of the hadith by the author and other classical hadith scholars.	4	HAD521
5.2	Advanced	HAD532	Core	Hadith	Legal Hadith Studies: <i>Sunan al-Tirmidhī</i> II	The <i>sunan</i> genre of hadith literature primarily focuses on the evidence early Muslim jurists used in their arguments. This course examines the <i>Sunan</i> of Muḥammad b. 'Īsā al-Tirmidhī (d. 279/892) from both a jurisprudential and a critical historical perspective, explaining the use of each hadith in support of a variety of legal positions but also exploring the grading of the hadith by the author and other classical hadith scholars.	5	HAD531
5.2	Advanced	HAD534	Core	Hadith	Legal Hadith Studies: <i>Sunan al-Tirmidhī</i> IV	The <i>sunan</i> genre of hadith literature primarily focuses on the evidence early Muslim jurists used in their arguments. This course examines the <i>Sunan</i> of Muḥammad b. 'Īsā al-Tirmidhī (d. 279/892) from both a jurisprudential and a critical historical perspective, explaining the use of each hadith in support of a variety of legal positions but also exploring the grading of the hadith by the author and other classical hadith scholars.	5	HAD533
5.3	Advanced	HAD537	Core	Hadith	A Portrait of the Prophet: al-Tirmidhī's al-Shamā'il	This course consists of a reading of the earliest known hadith collection documenting the Prophet's detailed physical features, mannerisms, and personal character: Imam Abū 'Īsā al-Tirmidhī's al-Shamā'il al-Muḥammadiyyah. Students will read through the text with the teacher in its entirety, focusing on the language of the reports, the various comments of the traditionists on their authenticity and meaning, and the spiritual implications of al-Tirmidhī's portrait of the noble Prophet, may Allah bless him and grant him peace.	4	LAW401 LAW402 HAD401 HAD402 HAD403 HAD404
6.1	Advanced	HAD541	Core	Hadith	Applied Hadith Criticism: <i>Sunan Ibn Mājah</i>	This course introduces students to the critical analysis of hadith reporters and chains through an elaborate study of the <i>zawā'id</i> reports of <i>Ibn Mājah's Sunan</i> , i.e. the reports unique to <i>Ibn Mājah's Sunan</i> and not found in any of the other six canonical hadith collections, the <i>Ṣaḥīḥs</i> of al-Bukhārī and Muslim and the <i>Sunan</i> works of al-Nasā'ī, Abū Dāwūd, and al-Tirmidhī. While students will analyze both the hadith texts and chains, particular focus is placed on the critical analysis of hadith narrators and the evaluation of their narrations. Thus, students will be introduced to a practical study of <i>'ilm al-rijāl</i> (the science of narrative biographies) through the study of a canonical hadith text.	4	HAD512 HAD522 HAD532 HAD534

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6.1	Advanced	HAD551	Core	Hadith	Advanced Hadith Studies: <i>Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim I</i>	This course explores the <i>Ṣaḥīḥ</i> work of Muslim b. al-Hajjāj al-Qushayrī (d. 261/875), focusing first on the discussions of historical methodology in the book's prolegomena (<i>muqaddamah</i>), and then on the rich theological, legal, ethical, spiritual, eschatological, and historical issues derived from the hadith content. Students will also seek to appreciate the author's unique skill in the arrangement of the hadith and in the presentation of the chains of transmitters.	5	HAD512 HAD522 HAD532 HAD534
6.1	Advanced	HAD553	Core	Hadith	Advanced Hadith Studies: <i>Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim III</i>	This course explores the <i>Ṣaḥīḥ</i> work of Muslim b. al-Hajjāj al-Qushayrī (d. 261/875), focusing first on the discussions of historical methodology in the book's prolegomena (<i>muqaddamah</i>), and then on the rich theological, legal, ethical, spiritual, eschatological, and historical issues derived from the hadith content. Students will also seek to appreciate the author's unique skill in the arrangement of the hadith and in the presentation of the chains of transmitters.	5	HAD512 HAD522 HAD532 HAD534
6.1	Advanced	HAD561	Core	Hadith	Advanced Hadith Studies: <i>Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhārī I</i>	<i>al-Jāmi' al-Ṣaḥīḥ</i> of Muḥammad b. Ismā'īl al-Bukhārī (d. 256/870) is undoubtedly the most celebrated and authenticated of the primary hadith collections. This course will study the work with a dual focus on the hadith content as well as the author's unique interpretive reasoning provided in the rich chapter headings (<i>tarājim al-abwāb</i>). Lectures on the text will be complemented with independent guided readings of the work's various commentaries.	5	HAD512 HAD522 HAD532 HAD534
6.1	Advanced	HAD563	Core	Hadith	Advanced Hadith Studies: <i>Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhārī III</i>	<i>al-Jāmi' al-Ṣaḥīḥ</i> of Muḥammad b. Ismā'īl al-Bukhārī (d. 256/870) is undoubtedly the most celebrated and authenticated of the primary hadith collections. This course will study the work with a dual focus on the hadith content as well as the author's unique interpretive reasoning provided in the rich chapter headings (<i>tarājim al-abwāb</i>). Lectures on the text will be complemented with independent guided readings of the work's various commentaries.	5	HAD512 HAD522 HAD532 HAD534
6.1	Advanced	HAD571	Elective	Hadith	Advanced Hadith Critical Methodology I	This course engages students in critical discussions of hadith methodology through an in-depth reading of Imam Taqī al-Dīn Ibn Ṣalāḥ al-Shahrazūrī's (d. 643 AH/1245 CE) acclaimed technical manual of hadith studies, the Ma'rīfat Anwā' 'Ulūm al-Ḥadīth, more commonly known as the Muqaddamat Ibn Ṣalāḥ. This "Introduction to the Sciences of the Hadith" comprises discussions on sixty-five key topics in the hadith critical methodology and due to its comprehensiveness and clarity, it has been considered the standard textbook and reference for advanced hadith studies since nearly the 7th century. The text will be explored along with a variety of its derivative abridgments, redactions, commentaries, and poetic renditions. Required reading will include Imam Jalāl al-Dīn al-Suyūṭī's (d. 911 AH/1505 CE) Tadrīb al-Rāwī, an exhaustive commentary on Imam Yahyā al-Nawawī's (676 AH/1277 CE) al-Taqrīb along with the critical notes of Shaykh Muḥammad 'Awwāmah.	1	HAD302
6.2	Advanced	HAD542	Core	Hadith	Applied Hadith Criticism: <i>Sunan al-Nasā'ī</i>	This course consists of a thorough study of select portions of the <i>Sunan</i> of Imam Abū 'Abd al-Raḥmān al-Nasā'ī (d. 302/915), a work known for its special attention given to the discovery of hidden elements in hadith chains. Through the study of these chapters, students will be introduced to the sciences of hadith sourcing and comparative chain analysis (<i>ilm al-takhrīj wa dirāsāt al-asānīd</i>). While seeking to understand and appreciate the complexity of chain mapping, the jurisprudential aspects of the hadith texts will also be analyzed in light of the positions and arguments of the eminent masters of the field.	4	HAD512 HAD522 HAD532 HAD534

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6.2	Advanced	HAD552	Core	Hadith	Advanced Hadith Studies: <i>Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim</i> II	This course explores the <i>Ṣaḥīḥ</i> work of Muslim b. al-Ḥajjāj al-Qushayrī (d. 261/875), focusing first on the discussions of historical methodology in the book's prolegomena (<i>muqaddamah</i>), and then on the rich theological, legal, ethical, spiritual, eschatological, and historical issues derived from the hadith content. Students will also seek to appreciate the author's unique skill in the arrangement of the hadith and in the presentation of the chains of transmitters.	4	HAD551
6.2	Advanced	HAD554	Core	Hadith	Advanced Hadith Studies: <i>Ṣaḥīḥ Muslim</i> IV	This course explores the <i>Ṣaḥīḥ</i> work of Muslim b. al-Ḥajjāj al-Qushayrī (d. 261/875), focusing first on the discussions of historical methodology in the book's prolegomena (<i>muqaddamah</i>), and then on the rich theological, legal, ethical, spiritual, eschatological, and historical issues derived from the hadith content. Students will also seek to appreciate the author's unique skill in the arrangement of the hadith and in the presentation of the chains of transmitters.	4	HAD553
6.2	Advanced	HAD562	Core	Hadith	Advanced Hadith Studies: <i>Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhārī</i> II	<i>al-Jāmi' al-Ṣaḥīḥ</i> of Muḥammad b. Ismā'īl al-Bukhārī (d. 256/870) is undoubtedly the most celebrated and authenticated of the primary hadith collections. This course will study the work with a dual focus on the hadith content as well as the author's unique interpretive reasoning provided in the rich chapter headings (<i>tarājim al-abwāb</i>). Lectures on the text will be complemented with independent guided readings of the work's various commentaries.	5	HAD561
6.2	Advanced	HAD564	Core	Hadith	Advanced Hadith Studies: <i>Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhārī</i> IV	<i>al-Jāmi' al-Ṣaḥīḥ</i> of Muḥammad b. Ismā'īl al-Bukhārī (d. 256/870) is undoubtedly the most celebrated and authenticated of the primary hadith collections. This course will study the work with a dual focus on the hadith content as well as the author's unique interpretive reasoning provided in the rich chapter headings (<i>tarājim al-abwāb</i>). Lectures on the text will be complemented with independent guided readings of the work's various commentaries.	5	HAD563
6.2	Advanced	HAD572	Elective	Hadith	Advanced Hadith Critical Methodology II	This course engages students in critical discussions of hadith methodology through an in-depth reading of Imam Taqī al-Dīn Ibn Ṣalāḥ al-Shahrazūrī's (d. 643 AH/1245 CE) acclaimed technical manual of hadith studies, the Ma'rīfat Anwā' 'Ulūm al-Ḥadīth, more commonly known as the Muqaddamat Ibn Ṣalāḥ. This "Introduction to the Sciences of the Hadith" comprises discussions on sixty-five key topics in the hadith critical methodology and due to its comprehensiveness and clarity, it has been considered the standard textbook and reference for advanced hadith studies since nearly the 7th century. The text will be explored along with a variety of its derivative abridgments, redactions, commentaries, and poetic renditions. Required reading will include Imam Jalāl al-Dīn al-Suyūṭī's (d. 911 AH/1505 CE) Tadrīb al-Rāwī, an exhaustive commentary on Imam Yahyā al-Nawawī's (676 AH/1277 CE) al-Taqrīb along with the critical notes of Shaykh Muḥammad 'Awwāmah.	1	HAD571
7.1	Advanced	HAD581	Elective	Hadith	Advanced Readings in Hadith Sciences I	This is an elective course for graduate students who have completed the required coursework in Hadith studies and want to study works that are not regularly taught in the curriculum. Instructor's approval is required for registration.	4	the instructor's approval
7.2	Advanced	HAD582	Elective	Hadith	Advanced Readings in Hadith Sciences II	This is an elective course for graduate students who have completed the required coursework in Hadith studies and want to study works that are not regularly taught in the curriculum. Instructor's approval is required for registration.	4	the instructor's approval
8.1	Post-Advanced	HAD601	Core	Hadith	Advanced Hadith Studies and Critical Methodology	al-Madkhal ilā 'Ulūm al-Ḥadīth al-Sharīf by Muḥammad 'Abd al-Mālik, Tadrīb al-Rāwī by Jalāl al-Dīn al-Suyūṭī	4	HAD572

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8.1	Post-Advanced	HAD611	Core	Hadith	Hadith Analysis in Legal Methodology	Uṣūl al-Sarakshī (mabāḥith al-sunnah) by Shams al-A'immaḥ al-Sarakhsī (w/ readings of Uṣūl al-Jaṣṣāṣ)	2	HAD572
8.1	Post-Advanced	HAD621	Core	Hadith	Narrator Evaluation in Theory and Practice	Uṣūl al-Jarḥ wa-l-Ta'dīl fī 'Ilm al-Rijāl by Nūr al-Dīn 'Itr, Qā'idah fī-l-Jarḥ wa-l-Ta'dīl, and Qā'idah fī al-Mu'arrikhīn by Tāj al-Dīn al-Subkī, al-Mutakallimūn fī al-Rijāl by al-Sakhāwī, Dhikr Man Yu'tamad Qawluḥu fī al-Jarḥ wa-l-Ta'dīl by al-Dhahabī	3	HAD572
8.1	Post-Advanced	HAD631	Core	Hadith	History and Competing Methodologies in Hadith Studies	al-Ḥadd al-Fāṣil bayn al-Mutaqaddimīn wa al-Muta'akhhirīn by 'Iṣām 'Idū, Faḍl al-I'tizāl by Abū al-Qāsim al-Balkhī, Maqālāt al-Islāmiyyīn by Abū al-Qāsim al-Balkhī, Teacher's notes	2	HAD572
8.1	Post-Advanced	HAD641	Core	Hadith	Hadith Research and Writing Lab	A Manual for Writers by Kate L. Turabian Taḥqīq al-Nuṣūṣ wa Nashruhā by 'Abd al-Salām Muḥammad Hārūn	2	HAD572
8.2	Post-Advanced	HAD602	Core	Hadith	Advanced Hadith Critical Methodology	Tadrīb al-Rāwī Sharḥ Taqrīb al-Nawāwī by Jalāl al-Dīn al-Suyūṭī, Athar al-Ḥadīth al-Sharīf by Muḥammad 'Awwāmah	4	HAD572
8.2	Post-Advanced	HAD611	Core	Hadith	Hadith Analysis in Legal Methodology	Uṣūl al-Sarakshī (mabāḥith al-sunnah) by Shams al-A'immaḥ al-Sarakhsī (w/ readings of Uṣūl al-Jaṣṣāṣ)	2	HAD572
8.2	Post-Advanced	HAD621	Core	Hadith	Hadith Sourcing, Chain Analysis, and 'Ilal Detection	Sharḥ Kitāb al-'Ilal by Ibn Rajab al-Ḥanbalī, Lamḥah Mūjazah fī Uṣūl 'Ilal al-Ḥadīth by Nur al-Dīn 'Itr	3	HAD572
8.2	Post-Advanced	HAD631	Core	Hadith	History and Competing Methodologies in Hadith Studies	al-Ḥadd al-Fāṣil bayn al-Mutaqaddimīn wa al-Muta'akhhirīn by 'Iṣām 'Idū, Faḍl al-I'tizāl by Abū al-Qāsim al-Balkhī, Maqālāt al-Islāmiyyīn by Abū al-Qāsim al-Balkhī, Teacher's notes	2	HAD572
8.2	Post-Advanced	HAD642	Core	Hadith	Hadith Research and Writing Lab	A Manual for Writers by Kate L. Turabian Taḥqīq al-Nuṣūṣ wa Nashruhā by 'Abd al-Salām Muḥammad Hārūn	2	HAD572
8.3	Post-Advanced	HAD603	Core	Hadith	Advanced Hadith Critical Methodology	Tadrīb al-Rāwī Sharḥ Taqrīb al-Nawāwī by Jalāl al-Dīn al-Suyūṭī, Athar al-Ḥadīth al-Sharīf by Muḥammad 'Awwāmah	4	HAD572
8.3	Post-Advanced	HAD633	Core	Hadith	Epistemology of Testimonial Knowledge	Teacher's notes	2	HAD572
8.3	Post-Advanced	HAD643	Core	Hadith	Hadith Research and Writing Lab	A Manual for Writers by Kate L. Turabian Taḥqīq al-Nuṣūṣ wa Nashruhā by 'Abd al-Salām Muḥammad Hārūn	2	HAD572
9.1	Post-Advanced	HAD651	Core	Hadith	Rational Foundations of Hadith Critical Methodology	Manhaj Qabūl al-Akḥbār by Muḥammad 'Iṣām 'Idū, al-Usus al-'Aqliyya li-Manhaj Naqd al-Muḥaddithīn by al-Sharīf Ḥātim al-'Awnī, Makānat al-Sunnah fī al-Tashrīf al-Islāmī wa-l-Radd 'alā Munkarīhā by Muṣṭafā al-Sibā'ī	1	HAD602 HAD642 HAD611 HAD621 HAD631 THEO599
9.1	Post-Advanced	HAD661	Core	Hadith	Applied Hadith Sourcing and Grading	Muqarrar al-Takhrīj wa Manhaj al-Ḥukm 'ala al-Ḥadīth by al-Sharīf Ḥātim al-'Awnī	1	HAD602 HAD642 HAD611 HAD621 HAD631 THEO599
9.1	Post-Advanced	HAD671	Core	Hadith	Textual Criticism and Editing of Classical Manuscripts	Mā Lā Yasa' al-Muḥaqqiq Jahluḥu by Maḥmūd Miṣrī	2	HAD602 HAD642 HAD611 HAD621 HAD631 THEO599

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9.2	Post-Advanced	HAD652	Core	Hadith	Contemporary Trends in Hadith Studies	Nuṣrat al-Ḥadīth by Ḥabīb al-Raḥmān al-A'zamī, Hadith (Ch. 8) by Jonathan A.C. Brown, Māhiyyat al-Ḥadīth by Ḥamzā al-Bakrī, Tadwīn al-Ḥadīth by Munāẓir Aḥsan al-Kīlānī, Min al-Nabī ilā al-Bukhārī by Aḥmad Snobar	1	HAD602 HAD642 HAD611 HAD621 HAD631 THEO599
9.2	Post-Advanced	HAD662	Core	Hadith	Applied Hadith Sourcing and Grading	Muqarrar al-Takhrīj wa Manhaj al-Ḥukm 'ala al-Ḥadīth by al-Sharīf Ḥātim al-'Awnī, al-Zayla 'ī's takhrīj of al-Hidāya, Ibn Ḥajar's takhrīj of al-Talkhīṣ al-Ḥabīr	1	HAD602 HAD642 HAD611 HAD621 HAD631 THEO599
9.2	Post-Advanced	HAD672	Core	Hadith	Practical Training in Hadith Manuscript Verification	This course offers students hands-on training in the critical examination and verification of ḥadīth manuscripts. Building upon prior coursework in ḥadīth methodology and textual criticism, the course guides students through the practical processes of comparing manuscript variants, identifying scribal conventions, and assessing textual reliability. Students engage directly with selected classical ḥadīth manuscripts, learning to navigate codicological features, marginalia, and orthographic irregularities. Emphasis is placed on developing the analytical skills necessary for producing reliable critical editions in accordance with scholarly tradition. The course culminates in a supervised project involving the collation and partial verification of a manuscript from a recognized ḥadīth source.	2	HAD602 HAD642 HAD611 HAD621 HAD631 THEO599