



*Baqir al-Olum  
University*



In the Name of Allah



### University Goals

- 1. Development and spread of Islamic sciences and humanities:** helping to promote surface culture and community knowledge, and to develop and spread Islamic sciences and humanities;
- 2. Training of skilled manpower:** training seminarians as skilled manpower and elites required in scientific and cultural fields;
- 3. Expansion of education and research:** cooperation in laying of suitable preparations for all people to participate in the expansion and promotion of education and research in Iran;
- 4. Expansion of the higher education by making use of the capacity of the seminaries:** making use of the present facilities and capabilities of Iran as well as the latent capacities in the seminaries in expansion of the higher education;
- 5. Development and expansion of religious innovation:** helping to develop and expand religious innovation in different fields of Islamic sciences and humanities, and provide its necessary educational, research and preaching grounds and facilities.



### University President

Dr. Shamsullah Mariji, a graduate of level 4 (doctorate degree) in Contemporary Thought of the Muslims took the responsibility of the university presidency in 2011. In addition to his high level of seminary education and years of attendance at the advanced level course of (dars e kharij) of Jurisprudence and its Principles instructed by the Great Marja's, he has also an academic background of university courses in the field of sociology. Authoring over 12 titles of books and 45 articles, supervising and advising 60 master's theses and doctoral dissertations are amongst his scientific activities.



### Scientific Faculties

**Baqir al-'Olum University has three faculties:**

1. Faculty of Culture, Social and Behavioral Sciences

This faculty consists of three scientific departments: the Department of Social Sciences, Department of Strategic Management and Department of Cultural Studies and Communications.

2. Faculty of History and Political Studies

This faculty consists of three scientific departments: Department of Political Studies, Department of Islamic History and Department of cultural and civilizational studies.

3. Faculty of Philosophy and Ethics

The Faculty of Philosophy and Ethics consists of three scientific departments: Department of Philosophy and Theology, Department of Philosophies of and Department of Islamic Ethics and Sciences.





## Departments

Managed by the University, the Department of English language and Arabic language, apart from holding English courses on Islamic Studies in bachelor's degree, also holds open (azad) courses on learning these languages. Likewise, open courses on learning German and French languages are being offered in the University.

In addition to the abovementioned departments, the Department of Additional Jurisprudences of and Department of Family Studies are amongst the newly established departments that operate directly under the management of the University.

## Scientific Board Members

Fifty professors as the scientific board – with the academic ranks of full professor, associate professor and assistant professor – are working in the University. In addition to full-time scientific board members, more than 40 visiting professors are also teaching different courses in the University. Some professors of this University are amongst the national and international outstanding professors and likewise are in outstanding scientific positions.

## Scientific Journals

Amongst the research activities of the University is publishing of scientific journals. In addition to the three quarterlies that have research-scientific rating, student journals and even digital journals in Persian and other languages including English are also being published.

Top Three University Quarterlies:

The quarterly of “A'in-e Hikmat (Rite of Wisdom)” began its activity in 2009 on Islamic philosophy, and it has published 39 issues so far.

The quarterly of “Political Sciences” began its publication in 1998 with a scientific-research rating, and it has published 83 issues so far.

The quarterly of “Islamic History” began its printing in 2000 with a scientific-research rating, and it has published 76 issues so far.

Two other scientific-research quarterlies with the titles of “Theoretical Studies of the History of Civilization” and “Philosophy of Laws” have been legally licensed and will be published soon.





## Library

The university library is one of the most significant libraries of humanities in Qum that has a total of 65,000 books including 150,000 volumes in specialized fields of Persian, English and Arabic languages. The possibility of searching



the intranet and the Internet is amongst the features of this library. This library has two sections: the open and trust sections. At least one copy of every book is maintained in the open section wherein teachers and students are allowed to enter the repository and use the books. Trust library is located in an independent hall and is dedicated to presenting the books as trust to the users. In addition to these two sections, study hall – with an area of 400 square meters – to accommodate up to 120 people is also another feature of this library.

## University Press

The scientific board members and professors of the University have been active in writing and publishing books, and more than 60 books have already been published under the name of the University. The vast quantity of scientific publications and books caused the university to set up an independent publishing press entitled “Baqir al-'Ulum ('a) University Press”. It has now 12 works that have gone through the legal process and scientific evaluation, and managed to obtain a publishing license, and they are going to be published.





## **International Conferences, Meetings and Workshops**

Baqir al-Olum University has had an impressive success over the past years in holding conferences, scientific meetings, educational workshops and scientific-promotional sessions. A number of these scientific conferences, workshops and meetings were held internationally and attended by foreign guests from different countries. Amongst its achievements are holding more than 5 international conferences, 83 scientific meetings, 45 skill-enhancing and research workshops, 14 scientific-promotional sessions and 12 awards for choosing top researchers.



## **Humanities Elite Students' Discourse**

The national project of the humanities elites' discourse started in the summer of 2015. It has aimed at creating scientific capacity in the elite students of humanities in order for them to actively engage in the arenas of discourse making, education, research and theorization in humanities. This project will be implemented through the participation of the top 24 universities in Iran and the cooperation of the best humanities professors. It is exclusively designed for the elite students of humanities after their passing an entrance examination and interview.

The following are amongst the activities of the discourse: holding focused educational camps in the summer and specialized classes, helping students' networking, communication and upgrading their scientific levels throughout the academic year as well as orienting them to current issues and problems in order for them to discover and present scientific solutions.



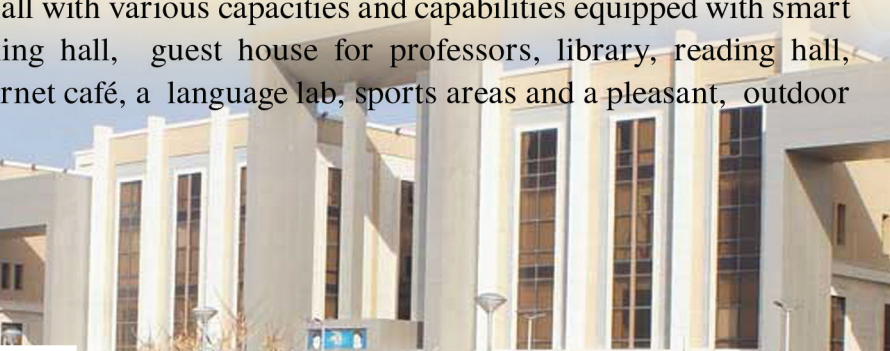


## Fields of Study

PH.D.	History of Islam	Master's Degrees	Social Communication Orientation of Cultural Promotion
	Muslim Social Sciences		Political Thought in Islam
	Cultural Policy Making		History of Islam
	Political Sciences Orientation of Public Policy Making		History of Islamic Iran
	Political Sciences Orientation of political thoughts		Sociology
	Political Sciences Orientation of Political Sociology		Muslim Social Sciences
	Political Sciences Orientation of Iranian Problems		Political Sciences
	Culture and Communication		Political Jurisprudence
	Islamic philosophy		Philosophy of Religion
	Philosophy of Law		Philosophy of Social Sciences
	Philosophy of Social Sciences		Islamic Philosophy and Theology
	Philosophy of Physics		Women and Family Studies
	Islamic Studies Orientation of Islamic Ethics		Strategic Management of Culture
	Islamic Studies Orientation of Theoretical Principles		Media Management
	Islamic Studies Orientation of Islamic History and Civilization		Regional Studies Orientation of Middle East and North African Studies
	Bachelor's degree		Islamic Studies in English

## Building

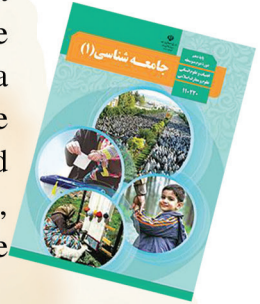
The University's new building was established and used in 2007 in a four-storey building in an area of 20,000 square meters, and with a university architectural design. It is equipped with all facilities and various scientific and academic sections. Amongst the installed facilities of the University are a total of 34 classes equipped with all educational facilities, amphitheater, conference hall with various capacities and capabilities equipped with smart systems, dining hall, guest house for professors, library, reading hall, student internet café, a language lab, sports areas and a pleasant, outdoor green space.





### Writing Iranian School Textbooks

Amongst the national honors of the University is the assignment of writing some school textbooks of Iran. At the request of the Ministry of Education and Training, the professors of the Faculty of Social Sciences formed a special workgroup, adopted a new approach and wrote the textbook “Sociology” for the tenth, eleventh and twelfth grades of schools in Iran. These books, containing modern scientific and Islamic contents, have been taught for years in Iranian schools.



The philosophy professors of the University are also developing the textbooks of the course “Islamic philosophy” in Iranian schools.

### Office of Scientific Cooperation and International Relations

Baqir al-‘Olum University established the Office of Scientific Cooperation and International Relations in 2018 in order to expand scientific and research exchanges with other scientific centers and universities and to develop international interactions.

Amongst its responsibilities are planning and pursuing mutual relationships of the scientific board members and departments with academic centers and universities inside and outside Iran, planning and holding meetings, conferences and exhibitions on religion and humanities, strengthening the university’s presence in the international arena, and planning and pursuing negotiation and implementation of memoranda of understanding and agreements related to its responsibilities.







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### **Anonymous Martyrs**

Baqir al-Olum University hosts two anonymous martyrs of the era of the holy defense in the heart of its yard. One of these martyrs is 24 years of age and got martyred in 1986 in the Operation Karbala-4, and the other one is 20 years of age and got martyred in 1988 . They were interred in the yard of the University on the first of 2017, concurrent with the martyrdom anniversary of Lady Fāṭimah al-Zahrah (‘a). In commemoration of these two martyrs, a monument has been erected above their graves.



This scientific center began its activity in 1984 as Institute of Higher Education of Baqir al-Olum in order to raise political information and awareness of seminarians in the grounds of the Muslim world, Iran and international relations, After years of scientific and educational activities with the expansion of its scopes of activities in different fields of humanities, institution of Higher Education was upgraded to the university level in 2005 with the approval of the Ministry of Sciences, Researches and Technology and became known as Bāqir al-Olūm University.



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