

BOARD FOR PROPRIETARY EDUCATION

Friday, March 8, 2024

DECISION ITEM B-1:

Zakat Foundation Institute: One Master's Degree Program Through Distance Education

Institutional Profile

See Attachment

Staff Recommendation

That the Board for Proprietary Education approves the Master of Arts (M.A.) in Humanitarian Leadership, in accordance with the background discussion of this agenda item and the Application for Degree Approval.

Background

Degree Program Profile

*Master of Arts (M.A.) in
Humanitarian Leadership Through
Distance Education*

This program consists of 30 semester credit hours, with 100 percent of the courses in the specialty. The program faculty consists of eight individuals, all of whom are part-time. Each of the eight has a doctoral degree.

The proposed Master of Arts in Humanitarian Leadership is for students who earned both a baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution and a Graduate Certificate in Humanitarian Philanthropy from Zakat Foundation Institute. The program is designed for six credit hours to apply from the Graduate Certificate in Humanitarian Philanthropy to the proposed M.A. The two courses that would apply are "Global Institutions of Aid and Development" and "Realizing the Localization Agenda."

A student enrolled in the Zakat Foundation Institute's M.A. in Humanitarian Leadership would be dually enrolled in either the IUPUI M.A. in Philanthropic Studies or the IUPUI Graduate Certificate in Philanthropic Studies programs. Zakat Institute anticipates that most students will complete one or the other IUPUI programs as well. Three courses are offered in both of these programs total nine credit hours ("Muslim Philanthropy," "Muslim Philanthropic and Humanitarian Leadership Capstone" and "Muslim Humanitarianism") would apply to the proposed M.A. Completion of the proposed M.A. would require an additional 15 credit hours from Zakat Foundation Institute.

Supporting Document

New Program Proposal