

## **Institutional Profile for Zakat Foundation Institute**

**Background** The Zakat Foundation Institute was established by the Zakat Foundation of America with administrative support by the non-profit, Center on Muslim Philanthropy. The institution was created to offer students training in humanitarian philanthropy. The Zakat Foundation Institute programs were designed to complement the programs offered by the Indiana University Indianapolis Lilly Family School of Philanthropy. Zakat Foundation Institute students may have been or are currently enrolled in the Lilly Family School of Philanthropy companion programs at the graduate certificate, master's, and doctoral levels.

**Institutional Control** Private, non-profit institution.

**Institutional Accreditation** The institution is seeking accreditation from the Distance Education Accrediting Commission (DEAC). The Academic Director, Abbas Barzegar, completed the DEAC accreditation workshop in January 2021. An Application for Initial Accreditation would be submitted to DEAC. The accreditor advised the institution to await the graduation of the Master of Arts (M.A.) in Humanitarian Leadership first cohort before applying for accreditation.

**Participation in NC-SARA** The Zakat Foundation Institute does not participate in the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA).

**Participation in Student Financial Aid** Students attending the institution would not be eligible to receive Title IV funding. Scholarships will be provided to students by philanthropic entities such as the Zakat Foundation of America and other philanthropic entities. Thus far, the Zakat Foundation Institute has not charged students tuition or fees.

**Campuses** The institution currently offers two programs, both through distance education.

**Enrollment** The Zakat Foundation Institute does not currently submit data to the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES). The institution reported 60 enrolled students in the academic year 2023.

**Program** The institution offers the Master of Arts (M.A.) in Humanitarian Leadership and a Graduate Certificate in Humanitarian Philanthropy. In addition, the Zakat Foundation Institute has engaged both independently and in collaboration with Indiana University Indianapolis Lilly Family School of Philanthropy to offer workshops, conferences, and symposiums.

**Financial Responsibility Composite Score (FRCS)** In the Fiscal Year (FY) ending December 31, 2023, the institution had an unpublished FRCS of 2.0.