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RAMADAN MUBARAK



All praise be to Allah almighty for giving us the chance to once again witness the blessed month of Ramadan. I ask Allah almighty to accept our deeds, forgive our sins and elevate our iman.

This special month is the month of repentance, reconciliation, reward and reconnection with Allah almighty. If you have committed sins this past year, this is the time when one needs to ask Allah for forgiveness. We need to start with promising Allah to stop and never fall back into these sins again and remember what Allah says in chapter 39, verse 53: Say, "O My servants who have transgressed against themselves [by sinning], do not despair of the mercy of Allah. Indeed, Allah forgives all sins. Indeed, it is He who is the Forgiving, the Merciful."

Abu Huraira may Allah be pleased with him narrated that the Prophet peace be upon him said: "Whomever fasts Ramadan with sincere faith and in pursuit of Allah's pleasure, his past sins will be forgiven" Fasting Ramadan with sincerity and working hard to increase our good deeds in this great month, will inshaallah get us closer to Allah, which is the only means for success and happiness in this life and in the hereafter.

For Mishkah, we are welcoming this great month of Ramadan with many exciting accomplishments walhamdulillah. Our students' graduates have increased to more than 750 graduates since our founding in 2003. We are actively engaged in the preparation process to apply for accreditation from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC), where we aim to be the first online Islamic University to reach such an accreditation. In addition, Mishkah has launched its nine-level, academic Arabic program for non-Arabic speakers. Authored by a team of highly recognized scholars in Arabic as a second language, this program helps students advance from a total lack of knowledge in the language to the level where they can enroll in higher education courses in Arabic.

Mishkah aims to create a generation of scholars of Islam in the West, who are equipped with an authentic, mainstream understanding of Islam based on the Quran, the Sunnah, the understanding of the companions of the Prophet (peace be upon him) and the great scholars of Islam throughout history. We aim to spread the correct Islamic knowledge that can challenge and defeat the misconceptions, misunderstandings and extreme interpretations of Islam. The cost for exemplary online Islamic education is high, so in this great and blessed month of Ramadan, the month of charity and good deeds, we invite you to increase your support to Mishkah by spreading the word about us and by donating generously.

Once again, I ask Allah to accept our good deeds and to make us among those who will be forgiven and accepted by Allah almighty, Ameen.

Sh Haitham Barazanji
Mishkah University CEO

FATWA NIGHT WITH DR SALAH AND SH MAMDOUH

Alhamdulillah **Dr Salah Al-Sawy and Sh Mamdouh Mahmoud** hosted another Fatwa Night, **with a focus on Ramadan**, last Friday at Masjid al Salam in Houston.

Benefit from learning various aspects of the deen in English and Arabic by clicking on the video below.



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Mishkah University has two new positions open:

- **Coordinator for the Office of the Registrar.**
- **Coordinator of Development and Marketing/Communication**

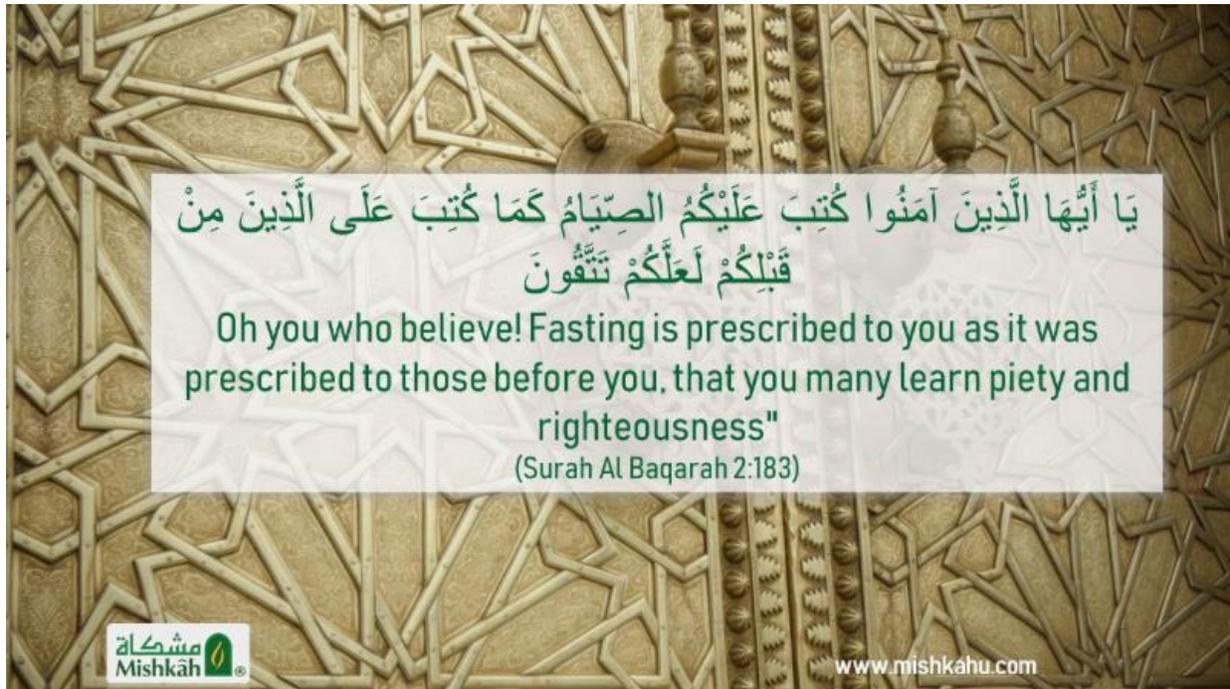
Join us as we move forward in our mission to make authentic Islamic Education accessible to all and in providing our students with life-changing educational opportunities.



You can find more details regarding both positions at the link below:

<https://mishkahu.com/about/careers/>

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ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Summer Semester Begins	May 4
Last Day to Add/Drop Classes	May 10
Ramadan Break	May 25

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