

Introduction to Islam & the Muslim Culture Course

Venue: **The Camden Centre, Market Square, Tunbridge Wells, Kent, TN1 2SW**
Date: **Monday 9 March 2015 or**
Tuesday 10 March 2015

Time: 9:30am to 4:00pm

Includes: lunch, information pack & visit to Mosque

FEE: Only £10.00

Normal cost £150.00 per delegate

Over 13,500 people throughout the UK have now attended this highly informative and successful course.

The Course will help to answer questions such as.....

- **How can I work better with Muslims in my community?**
- **Why do some Muslim women wear a headscarf or Burka?**
- **What actually happens inside a Mosque?**
- **The status of women in Islam**
- **Why do Muslims pray five times a day?**
- **What is Sharia Law?**
- **What is the meaning of Jihad?**
- **What does Islam say about Freedom of Expression?**
- **Who is Prophet Muhammad?**
- **Islam and Terrorism**

This course offers an excellent opportunity to ask any questions in a friendly & comfortable environment.

The course is specifically designed for Non-Muslim public, private and voluntary sector professionals who work with Muslims from diverse backgrounds, but is open to anyone who wishes to **learn more about Islam & the Muslim culture**.

Incorporating **a visit to a local Mosque** the course aims to provide you with:

- **A better understanding of the basic beliefs & practices,**
- **Information regarding the background to Muslims in Britain,**
- **A chance to discuss Public Sector Development issues relating to Muslim Communities,**
- **Group work that will enable you to discuss key issues,**
- **A better understanding of the Implementation of the Race Relations (Amendment) Act and the religion and Belief regulations.**

Comments from previous delegates about the Islam course:



"There were so many things I took from the day that I can't possibly put into words quickly, but suffice to say, I found it extremely informative and at times very touching"

Julie Purnell | Regional HR Business Partner - ITV West country



"I feel that more people should participate in course like that to gain a greater insight to things we generally have little knowledge about., and as we are all aware lack of knowledge lends itself greatly to discrimination".

Anthony O'Farrell- Training Dept – HMP Liverpool



"I think I can say that I found this one of the most informative and helpful courses I have ever attended. It cut through any preconceptions I had about Islam and Muslim culture and it has really helped me to understand what it is like to be a Muslim in this country.

I would recommend this course without hesitation. Most enlightening".

Iona Butler – Kent Adult Social Services



"After spending a day with you and the other people, representing the public and voluntary sectors learning about what being a Muslim in today's world means I feel much more confident that I am better prepared to communicate with this important audience. It was quite an honour to sit at the back and watch one of the five prayer sessions".

Barbara Mesa-Marketing and PR Manager



Doncaster & South Humber

"..We were given a fascinating insight into Islam from the perspective of a woman.

The speaker was very engaging, informative & it was apparent that she was dedicated to her faith. Every effort was made to answer all questions & once again this led to some very interesting discussion & debate".

Valerie M Wordsworth – Service Improvement Assistant



"Everyone appreciated the spirit of openness and a willingness to share knowledge of the Muslim faith. Each member of staff who attended has come away from the course having gained a better understanding of Islam which will greatly assist us when working within the community"

Sally Fellows-Programme Manager-Tinsley Surestart



"I found the whole day to be extremely interesting and informative. It was refreshing to hear fact separated from myth and, perhaps most importantly, clearly defined the differences between religion and culture".

*Department of Trade & Industry, -Employment Services,
Isle of Man Government*



"As a supervisor in a public service and as an individual I feel it is important to be aware of diversity in the organisation and the community it serves, this course has certainly educated me in aspects of Islam and I feel that I can encourage members of staff to attend and be confident that they will further their knowledge and awareness.."

Rhona J Walton/Administrative Supervisor



"We were impressed with the trainers' vast knowledge & experience which they shared in an open & honest manner. No question was left unanswered, with examples given from personal experience, which made it more realistic & prompted discussion"

Allison Morgan – Housing Training Officer

Further comments and letters can be found on our website: www.aksaa.co.uk

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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Cancellations

- i) The NORMAL Aksaa course fee is usually £150 per delegate. **This limited offer of £10** is only a registration charge; heavily subsidised by the Tunbridge Wells Muslim Women's Forum, and therefore is non-refundable in the event of non-attendance, or cancellation. However, prospective participants may send someone else in their place. AKSAA Ltd requires prior notice, wherever possible, of the change in delegate attendance.
- ii) AKSAA Ltd reserves the right to cancel a course due to unforeseen circumstances. Every effort is made to ensure that this does not occur. However, in the event that it does, participants will be notified of this and any payments made will be fully reimbursed.

To book your place on the course, please complete the booking form below and email it to:
twmwf@hotmail.co.uk
or post it to the address shown on booking form.

For further information please contact:

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Chairperson

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