

# PO3A0-15 The Political Economy of Islam in Southeast Asia

**23/24**

**Department**

Politics & International Studies

**Level**

Undergraduate Level 3

**Module leader**

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**Credit value**

15

**Module duration**

10 weeks

**Assessment**

100% coursework

**Study location**

University of Warwick main campus, Coventry

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## Description

### Introductory description

This module analyses the patterns and characteristics of Islamic economies and their governance in Southeast Asia, with an emphasis on the region's Muslim-majority countries. It investigates common and competing understandings of 'market Islam' and 'civil Islam'; as well as of local and globalising Islamic economies. After briefly reviewing the history of Islam in the region and conceptualisations of state-society-Islam relations with an emphasis on their economic impact, the module will look at a number of topical issues such as halal certification regimes, Islamic finance and religious tourism.

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## Outline syllabus

This is an indicative module outline only to give an indication of the sort of topics that may be covered. Actual sessions held may differ.

- 1.Introduction: Islam in Southeast Asia
- 2.Islam in Southeast Asia - political economy perspectives
- 3.Indonesia and Malaysia: Islamic Leviathans
- 4.Islamic Finance
- 5.Halal Consumption
6. Reading Week
- 7.Modest Fashion and Halal Lifestyle
- 8.Pilgrimage and Muslim-friendly Travel
- 9.Islam in the Workplace
- 10.Conclusion: Identity Politics Meets Global Capitalism?

## Learning outcomes

By the end of the module, students should be able to:

- Demonstrate an understanding of the historical and contemporary development of Islam in the Southeast Asia region.
- Provide analytical accounts of the configuration of local and globalising Islamic economies in the Southeast Asia region.
- Demonstrate an awareness of how Islam affects and is affected by state and market relations in the Southeast Asia region.
- Demonstrate awareness of various aspects of the Islamic economy - flows of people, goods and money – and how they unfold and are governed in the Southeast Asia region.

## Indicative reading list

see detailed reading list via Talis Aspire

[View reading list on Talis Aspire](#)

## Research element

Research essay

## Interdisciplinary

Political economy; Southeast Asian studies; Islamic economies

## International

Focuses on Southeast Asia

## Subject specific skills

Advanced understanding of the historical and contemporary development of Islam in the Southeast Asia region.

Ability to provide enhanced analytical accounts of the configuration of local and globalising Islamic economies in the Southeast Asia region.

Critical awareness of how Islam affects and is affected by state and market relations in the Southeast Asia region.

Improved knowledge of various aspects of the Islamic economy - flows of people, goods and money – and how they unfold and are governed in the Southeast Asia region.

## Transferable skills

In this module, you will test and develop especially the following transferable skills:

The ability to apply the methods and techniques that you have learned to review, consolidate, extend and apply your knowledge and understanding, and to initiate and carry out projects --> including negotiate your own essay title and deliver your own essay project

The ability to synthesise ideas drawn from different disciplinary areas in order to understand and/or resolve real world problems --> indeed, studying the political economy of Islam is a highly interdisciplinary endeavour

The ability to recognize and be sensitive to diversity and new ways of thinking --> for example Islamic economic principles as they apply to various sectors of the economy

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## Study

### Study time

Type	Required	Optional
Lectures	9 sessions of 1 hour (6%)	
Seminars	9 sessions of 1 hour (6%)	1 session of 2 hours
Private study	82 hours (55%)	
Assessment	50 hours (33%)	
Total	150 hours	

### Private study description

Preparation of readings and seminar exercises

### Costs

No further costs have been identified for this module.

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## Assessment

You do not need to pass all assessment components to pass the module.

### Assessment group A2

	Weighting	Study time	Eligible for self-certification
<b>Assessment component</b>			
Written Assignment Research essay	85%	40 hours	Yes (extension)

Reassessment component is the same

**Assessment component**

Essay plan	15%	10 hours	No
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Students prepare an essay plan, containing:  
essay title  
essay abstract and outline in bullet points (together no more than 350 words)  
bibliographical details of 3 annotated resources, including a brief statement how these resources will help to develop the argument of your essay.

Reassessment component is the same

### Feedback on assessment

Written feedback on the essay plan and research essay using the PAIS feedback template; option to present the essay plan to the class for further oral feedback and discussant comments. Optional oral feedback to be provided during Advice and Feedback hours

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## Availability

### Courses

This module is Optional for:

- Year 4 of UECA-4 Undergraduate Economics 4 Year Variants

- Year 3 of UECA-LM1D Undergraduate Economics, Politics and International Studies
- UHIA-VM14 Undergraduate History and Politics (with Year Abroad and a term in Venice)
  - Year 3 of VM14 History and Politics (with Year Abroad and a term in Venice)
  - Year 4 of VM14 History and Politics (with Year Abroad and a term in Venice)
- Year 3 of UHIA-VM13 Undergraduate History and Politics (with a term in Venice)
- Year 3 of UPHA-V7ML Undergraduate Philosophy, Politics and Economics
- Year 3 of UPOA-M100 Undergraduate Politics
- Year 4 of UPOA-M101 Undergraduate Politics (with Intercalated Year)
- Year 4 of UPOA-M168 Undergraduate Politics and International Studies with Chinese
- Year 3 of UPOA-M164 Undergraduate Politics, International Studies and German
- Year 4 of UPOA-M165 Undergraduate Politics, International Studies and Italian
- Year 3 of UPOA-M162 Undergraduate Politics, International Studies and Quantitative Methods
- Year 3 of UPHA-V7MW Undergraduate Politics, Philosophy and Law
- Year 4 of UPHA-V7MX Undergraduate Politics, Philosophy and Law (with Intercalated Year)

This module is Unusual option for:

- UPHA-V7ML Undergraduate Philosophy, Politics and Economics
  - Year 3 of V7MR Philosophy, Politics and Economics (Bipartite with Economics Major)
  - Year 3 of V7MP Philosophy, Politics and Economics (Bipartite)
- UPHA-V7MM Undergraduate Philosophy, Politics and Economics (with Intercalated year)
  - Year 4 of V7MS Philosophy, Politics and Economics (Bipartite with Economics Major) (with Intercalated Year)
  - Year 4 of V7MQ Philosophy, Politics and Economics (Bipartite) with Intercalated Year
  - Year 4 of V7MM Philosophy, Politics and Economics (Tripartite) (with Intercalated year)
- Year 3 of UPHA-V7MW Undergraduate Politics, Philosophy and Law
- Year 4 of UPHA-V7MX Undergraduate Politics, Philosophy and Law (with Intercalated Year)

This module is Option list A for:

- Year 3 of UPOA-M16A Undergraduate Politics and International Studies
- Year 4 of UPOA-M16B Undergraduate Politics and International Studies (with Intercalated Year)
- Year 3 of UPOA-ML13 Undergraduate Politics and Sociology
- Year 4 of UPOA-ML14 Undergraduate Politics and Sociology (with Intercalated year)
- Year 4 of UPOA-M163 Undergraduate Politics, International Studies and French
- Year 4 of UPOA-M164 Undergraduate Politics, International Studies and German
- Year 4 of UPOA-M166 Undergraduate Politics, International Studies and Hispanic Studies

This module is Option list C for:

- Year 3 of UHIA-VM11 Undergraduate History and Politics
- Year 4 of UHIA-VM12 Undergraduate History and Politics (with Year Abroad)
- UPHA-V7ML Undergraduate Philosophy, Politics and Economics
  - Year 3 of V7MP Philosophy, Politics and Economics (Bipartite)
  - Year 3 of V7ML Philosophy, Politics and Economics (Tripartite)
- UPHA-V7MM Undergraduate Philosophy, Politics and Economics (with Intercalated year)

- Year 4 of V7MS Philosophy, Politics and Economics (Bipartite with Economics Major) (with Intercalated Year)
- Year 4 of V7MQ Philosophy, Politics and Economics (Bipartite) with Intercalated Year
- Year 4 of V7MM Philosophy, Politics and Economics (Tripartite) (with Intercalated year)

This module is Option list D for:

- Year 3 of UHIA-VM11 Undergraduate History and Politics
- Year 4 of UHIA-VM12 Undergraduate History and Politics (with Year Abroad)
- Year 3 of UPHA-V7ML Undergraduate Philosophy, Politics and Economics