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JOURNEY BEYOND MADRASAH

Exploring Career Roles in the Religious Sector



Your Career Journey Starts Here!

Figuring your future can feel daunting and overwhelming, right? But don't worry, you're not alone!

This guide is your roadmap to finding a career that best suits you. As a madrasah student, you bring a unique blend of knowledge, values, and skills to the table. Whether you dream of serving the community, becoming a leader, or exploring exciting new paths, this guide will help you find your way.

Inside, you'll discover:

Amazing career options:

From teaching to developing religious policies, explore the possibilities.

Inspiring stories:

Learn about people who've walked in your shoes and are excelling at their roles.

Tips and tricks:

Discover how to make smart choices and build a future you'll love.

Ready to explore your potential? Let's get started!



How you can play your part as our future asatizah

While being a member of the asatizah fraternity has always been highly respected and valued, times are changing in Singapore, and the role is evolving too.

Today, madrasah graduates are making their mark in all kinds of careers. You'll find them as administrators, policy officers, translators, financial consultants, advisors and even counsellors. Some also choose to dive into the fast-moving world of technology and social media!

The good news is - your learning journey doesn't stop after you've graduated. The Asatizah Recognition Scheme (ARS) encourages continuous learning, so you're always ready to excel in your chosen fields.



Empowering You for New Opportunities

As a member of the asatizah fraternity, you will play an important role in guiding our Singapore Muslim community amidst today's fast-changing world. With that, there will be many new opportunities for madrasah graduates like you. The Committee on Future Asatizah (COFA) Report provides a strategic roadmap for asatizah, detailing their evolving responsibilities and the skills they'll need. This means that as you consider your future, you can explore a variety of fulfilling and impactful career paths.

Let's take a look at figure 1, Religious Sector Career & Competency Framework (CCF), which shows the type of skills and knowledge you need to get ahead in your career!

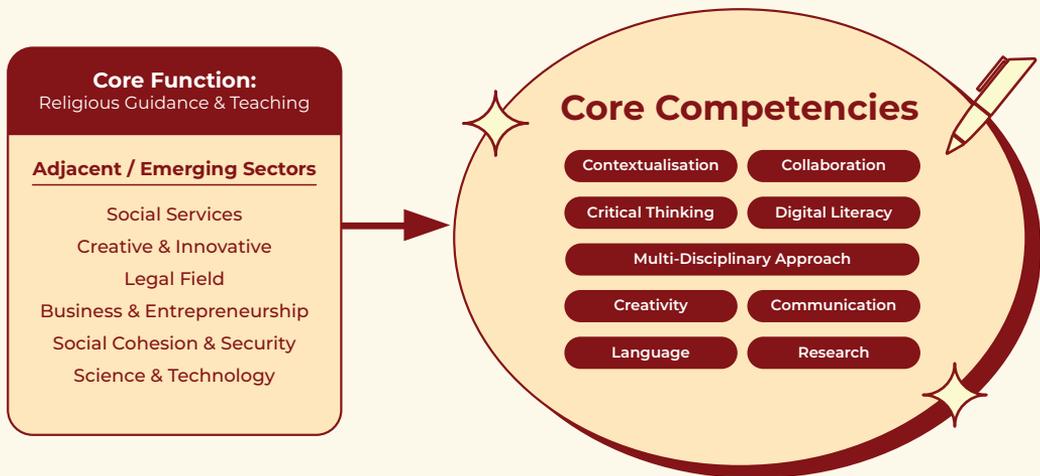


Figure 1: Conceptual Representation of the Core and Potential Adjacent Sectors for Future Asatizah

Vision for Future Asatizah

(From the COFA Report 2020)

As **religious leaders** in a multi-cultural and diverse society, our asatizah are well-regarded in proactively engaging with emerging issues of the modern world and connecting with other communities to build a cohesive Singapore society.

As **professionals**, our asatizah are advocates of lifelong learning, acquiring knowledge and skills in guiding Singapore Muslims to respond to contemporary challenges.

As **role models**, our asatizah are rooted to Islamic traditions, resilient, adaptable, compassionate, driven and committed to the betterment of the Singapore society.

Overview of Religious Sector CAREER TRACKS

The Religious Sector Career Map has 5 career tracks, each featuring roles in similar goals and skills.

Explore different career tracks and see how each of our madrasah graduates make a difference in the community!

1 Mosque & Community Development

In this sector, you'll be involved in managing mosques, turning them into vibrant community hubs. Whether it's providing socio-religious services or supporting social initiatives, you'll be connecting with people and making a real impact!

CATEGORIES/ PATHWAYS

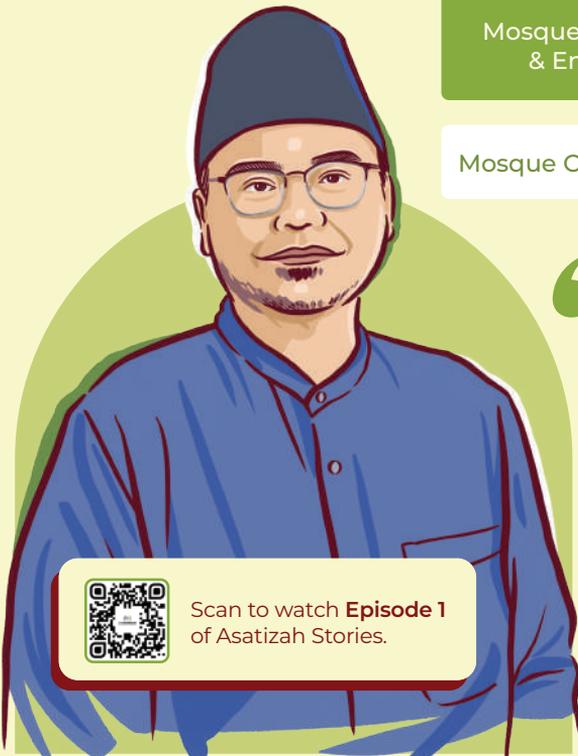
Mosque, Social Development & Engagement Policy

Community Outreach & Development

Mosque Operations

Pastoral Care

Religious Learning



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“ You will see that mosques in Singapore operate not only as places of worship, but beyond that. Who would imagine that you could find a career in a mosque as a Youth Development Officer, providing dedicated services to reach out to the community, especially the vulnerable and underserved? I see that the opportunities in the mosque sector are limitless. ”

Ustaz Hafiz Rashid
District Superintendent of Mosque, District South, Muis

2 Religious Policy & Development

This sector focuses on improving our religious life in Singapore through good policies and you'll play a part in making sure things run smoothly.

CATEGORIES/ PATHWAYS

Religious
Guidance

Content
Development

Regulation &
Enforcement

Training &
Development

You are working with the community, so you are not just creating meaning for yourself. At the same time, you are also creating meaning for your community. I think that gives me a sense of fulfillment, knowing that I'm able to contribute not just to my own well-being, but also to the betterment of society.



Ustaz Sheikh Mohamad Farouq
Associate Researcher,
Office of Mufti

3 Religious Services (Halal, Zakat, Wakaf)

Ever wondered how things like halal, zakat, wakaf (endowment), pilgrimage affairs and halal certification work? In this sector, you can contribute by making policies and managing religious services, thus keeping things organized and on track.

CATEGORIES/ PATHWAYS

Muslim Assets &
Services Policy

I always feel that the religious sector is a sector that continues giving. When we do good for someone, you can be assured that the benefits will multiply when the person you serve passes it on. That has always been my drive in my day-to-day work.

Ustazah Siti Syaikhah Bte Muhammad
Assistant manager,
Zakat Disbursement



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4 Muslim Family Development

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In this sector, you'll play a big part in supporting Muslim families by helping them build stronger and healthier relationships.

CATEGORIES/ PATHWAYS

Islamic
Judiciary

Marriage
Registry

Our religion is a religion of peace and always advocates harmony and peace. We need people with a religious background to carry out and continue the mission that we have been advocating all this while.

Ustaz Muhammad Ma'az Bin Sallim
Deputy Registrar,
Registry of Muslim Marriages (ROMM)



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of Asatizah Stories.

5 Education

Has education always been your passion? You might be a great fit for the education sector, where you'll help nurture Muslims through holistic Islamic Education (IE). Be part of the sector that shapes the future generation of Singapore Muslim Community!

CATEGORIES/ PATHWAYS

Curriculum
Development

Student
Development

Education Policy
& Planning

Tertiary
Education

Full-time
Madrasah

Mosque
Madrasah

Kindergarten

Ustazah Farah Mahamood Aljunied
Director of Higher Education
and Research, Muis

You would want to continue doing something very meaningful, and you would want a job that allows you to keep growing and developing in the field, contributing to and adding to the knowledge that has been built. Therefore, make your mark, to a certain extent, to improve the lives of the people around you.



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