




YOUNG MUSLIM

LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME



Oxford Centre for Islamic Studies

27th June - 5th July 2026



The Oxford Centre for Islamic Studies will be holding the twentyfirst **Young Muslim Leadership Programme** (YMLP) between 27th June and 5th July 2026.

This intensive residential school is open to Muslim men and women between the ages of 21 and 30. Applicants must be British citizens.

Participants will enjoy full board and lodging at the Oxford Centre for Islamic Studies.

The aims of the Young Muslim Leadership Programme are to help participants become confident in their identity as Muslims living in the United Kingdom, to make them aware of their responsibilities to the wider society, and to better relate their personal development to this context.

YMLP participants:

- Reflect on how their personal and professional energies align.
- Develop increased commitment to personal and professional goals.
- Enhance levels of confidence to take on ever greater challenges.
- Help develop specific leadership techniques and styles.
- Practice networking skills with speakers and other participants from a wide spectrum of backgrounds.

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“It has enabled me to reflect on the type of leadership we see throughout Islamic history and Muslim leaders of today; bridging the gap between this and my own leadership style.”

YMLP Participant



Programme

The Young Muslim Leadership Programme was initiated in 2006 in cooperation with The Prince's Charities. The focus of the programme is on the national role and contribution of Muslim communities in Britain. It consists of workshops, seminars, and visits to prominent national institutions. Guest speakers are drawn from Parliament, academia, non-governmental organizations, the civil service, and the media. There are opportunities for networking and social interaction which facilitate contacts and potentially lifelong friendships among participants. The Young Muslim Leadership Programme is an invaluable forum for young British Muslims with strong leadership potential to come together and consider key issues affecting British society.

Applications

The cost of the Programme is £2500 per participant. There are a number of full and partial bursaries available but participants are encouraged to seek their own funding. Final selection is on a needs blind basis.

Application deadline: **13th April 2026**

Reference letters should be sent directly to:

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For further information please see <https://www.oxcis.ac.uk/young-muslim-leadership-programme>

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