

**INDIA ARAB CULTURAL CENTRE**  
**Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi**

**M. A International Studies Arab-Islamic Culture**

**Course Title:** Sufi Tradition  
**Duration:** One Semester  
**Credit:** 4 credit/100 marks  
**Level of Teaching:** Post-Graduate  
**Method of Instruction:** Lectures, Discussions  
**Mode of Evaluation:** Assignment and End-Semester Examination

**Course Description:**

This course offers an introductory survey of tasawwuf or Sufism. It will study Islamic doctrinal issues, Sufism and its fundamental ideas, practices, and institutions. The course also studies its influence on contemporary socio-cultural issues.

**Unit One:**

Sufism and its Islamic Milieu  
Basic themes in Sufi thought  
The Qura'an, the Hedith, the Prophet Muhammad as paradigm for spirituality

**Unit Two:**

Historical Development and origins, survey of classical Sufism  
The Development of Ishq and Theosophical Sufism  
Sufi piety and practice

**Unit Three:**

The Sufi pir and the Sufi path  
Sufi silsilas and sufi literature

**Unit Four:**

Sufism and its socio-cultural manifestations  
Contemporary issues and Sufism

**Schedule of Examination & Grading:**

<b>Midterm Exam</b>	<b>25 %</b>
<b>Final exam</b>	<b>75 %</b>