

Job advert for Imam position – Masjid Omar Bin Al-Khattab (Marion) – 658 Marion Road, Park holme SA, 5043

- Provide social and spiritual leadership aligned to Islamic values.
- Collaborate with ISSA Executive Committee to establish mission, visions, and objectives.
- Represent Islam and Muslims to the wider Australian Community.

About us:

The Islamic Society of South Australia (ISSA) is a longstanding Muslim community organisation that operates within South Australia. Established in 1955, ISSA is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to preserving Islamic ideas and the way of life as outlined in the Holy Quran and the Sunnah.

ISSA is a vibrant and inclusive organization dedicated to promoting a deeper understanding of the Islamic community within South Australia. Committed to fostering positive relationships and cultural understanding, ISSA plays a crucial role in connecting with various stakeholders, organising community events, and advocating for the interests and values of the Islamic community.

About the role:

We are currently seeking a full-time Imam for the Marion Mosque, Park Holme, South Australia. The focus of the position is to provide Islamic guidance and inspirations to the Muslim community in accordance with the Holy Quran and the Sunnah of Prophet Mohammad (peace and blessings be upon him), and an understanding of the needs of the Australian Muslim communities.

Reporting to the President of the Islamic Society of South Australia, the Imam will provide social and spiritual leadership as set by example. The Imam will lead and guide the community in the best possible way as guided by true Islamic values and beliefs. While staying apolitical and un-biased, the Imam will work to earn the trust and confidence of the community. The Imam will work closely with ISSA Executive Committee as appropriate to help establish the missions, visions and objectives of ISSA and representing Islam and Muslims to the wider Australian community.

Key Responsibilities will include:

- Lead and deliver (or occasionally arrange appropriate individuals to lead and deliver)
 - the five daily prayers at the Mosque
 - o the Jumuah Khutbah and lead Jumuah prayers
 - Taraweeh prayers in Ramadan
 - o Eid Prayers and deliver Eid Khutbahs
- Advisory- along with the other Imams employed by ISSA, consult with and advise the Executive Committee on religious or related matters or issues as appropriate.
- To provide or offer
 - \circ $\;$ Advice on basic Islamic family and youth counselling services.
 - Dawah activities- Introducing, teaching, and explaining Islam to people of faiths other than Islam or of no faith.
 - Funeral services and guidance.

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- Matrimonial services in accordance with Australian and Islamic law.
- Any other duties ISSA may assign from time to time, within the boundaries of Shariah, in accordance with the skills, training, and experience.
- Represent the Islamic Society of South Australia in public forums, community meetings, events, seminars etc. in consultation with the Committee.
- Assist in running Islamic educational activities and community programs/events in the Mosque.
- Train and empower men and women in the community to participate or lead religious programs and activities in the Mosque.

About You:

The ideal candidate will have experience as an Imam and a commitment to the mainstream Sunni school of thought, you will possess a strong foundation in Islamic knowledge, holding an education qualification from a recognized institution.

To be successful in the role you will need:

- An educational qualification from a recognised Islamic University or recognised Madrassa/Institution with education equivalent to an Islamic university (A formal bachelor's degree or equivalent in Sharia studies including Usool Al-Fiqh, Uloom Al-Hadith, Tajweed Al-Quran, Uloom Al Quran and any other areas of Islamic learning is preferable).
- Memorised and recite the Quran fluently (an accredited Hafiz of the Quran with official Ijaza and Sanad is preferable).
- Adequate knowledge of the Quran, Sunnah and Islamic Sharia based on the sound Fiqh Madhahib of Ahlus-Sunnah Wal-Jama'ah and demonstrated ability to narrate and interpret the Quran and authentic Ahadith based on established authentic sources.
- Experience/willingness to lead a diverse Muslim community from different Fiqh Madhahib.
- Profess the mainstream Sunni school of legal Islamic thought (Ahlu Sunnah Wa Jama'a).
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills in both Arabic and English.

Pay:

Negotiable

Next Steps:

If you are an experienced Imam with the relevant professional qualifications, skills, and attributes for the Imam position, please submit your resume and a compelling cover letter detailing your relevant experience. Additionally, if available, please include short videos showcasing your Quran recitation, Khutbas, and activities. We also encourage you to express your commitment to the values of ISSA.

Applications can be sent to president@islamicsocietysa.org.au

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted. If shortlisted – a formal appointment for the position of the Imam is subject to a successful interview by ISSA Committee and Imams, satisfactory reference, and background checks. **Application Deadline: 11/03/2024 at 5 pm**.



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