Research Center for Qur'anic Culture and Sciences (RCQCS)

Research Center for Qur'anic Culture and Sciences was established in 1988 with the name of the Center for Qur'anic Culture and Knowledge with the aim of expanding the culture and knowledge of the Qur'an and defending the authenticity of its teachings and with a completely new look at the fields of interpretation, translation and Qur'anic topics, has made a great contribution to the direction of Qur'anic activities in the Islamic Seminary of Qom. This research center is in charge of duties such as providing Qur'anic sources and documents, classifying and organizing Qur'anic knowledge, compiling various Qur'anic dictionaries and encyclopedias, creating various interpretations, answering questions and doubts, and identifying problems and needs in the field of Qur'anic culture and it is now known as one of the largest Qur'anic research centers in Iran.

RCQCS, which is one of the research centers of Islamic Science and Culture Academy (ISCA) affiliated to Islamic Propagation Office of Qom Seminary was upgraded from center to research center in 2016, and with regard to the description of its duties, it has different goals and research departments.

Departments and Offices

- Department for Interpretation of the Qur'an
- Department for Qur'anic Sciences
- Department for Comparative Studies
- Department for Encyclopedia
- Department for Dictionaries
- Research Office
- Office for Information Technology and Production

Faculty Members and Researchers

- 18 faculty members
- 10 official researchers
- 60 project-based researchers

Activities in Progress and Research Projects

• Published: 184 titles of books in 284 volumes

• In Progress: 69 titles

Macro-projects

- 1. The Scientific Authority of the Holy Qur'an
- 2. Studies of Our'anic Systematization
- 3. Studies of the Our'an and Orientalism
- 4. Figh of Reading (the Qur'an)
- 5. Figh al-Qur'an
- 6. The Encyclopedia of the Holy Qur'an

- 7. The Dictionary of Lifestyle Based on the Teachings of the Qur'an and the Ahl al-Bayt (AS)
- 8. Al-Miftah al-Jame' le Mustalahat al-Qur'an va Mafahimeh
- 9. Methodological studies of Our'anic sciences
- 10. The Dictionary of the Analysis of (Mushabih) Similar Words in the Qur'an
- 11. The Comprehensive Portal of Qur'anic Sciences and Teachings
- 12. The System of Displaying Qur'anic Achievements
- 13. The Dictionary of the Qur'an
- 14. Revision of the Dictionary of the Qur'an
- 15. Tafsir Rahnama
- 16. Miracle of the Qur'an
- 17. Selected Qur'an Dictionary

Some of the most important research projects of the RCQCS are:

A. Encyclopedias

Published

- 1. The Encyclopedia of the Holy Qur'an(17 volumes)
- 2. The Encyclopedia of the Holy Qur'an for Teenagers (3 volumes)
- 3. The Encyclopedia of A'alam (people, names, places, days etc.) in the Holy Qur'an (6 volumes)
- 4. The Qur'anic Encyclopedia of Ethics(1 volume)
- 5. The Encyclopedia of Qur'anic Sciences (1 volume)
- 6. The Qur'anic Encyclopedia of Rational Sciences (1 volume)
- 7. The Qur'anic Encyclopedia of Figh and Usul
- 8. The Encyclopedia of Hajj (Pilgrimage) and The Land of Revelation (1 volume)
- 9. The Encyclopedia of the Environment (1 volume)

In Progress

- 1. Completion of the Encyclopedia of the Holy Quran.
- 2. Completion of the Encyclopedia of the Holy Qur'an for Teenagers (3 volumes)
- 3. Completion of the Encyclopedia of A'alam (people, names, places, days etc.) in the Holy Our'an
- 4. Completion of the Qur'anic Encyclopedia of Rational Sciences (Volume 2)
- 5. Completion of the Qur'anic Encyclopedia of Figh and Usul (Volume 2)
- 6. Completion of the Encyclopedia of Security
- 7. Completion of the Encyclopedia of Qur'anic Sciences
- 8. Completion of the Encyclopedia of Religions (2 volumes)

B. Thesauruses

Published

The Thesaurus of Qur'anic Sciences

C. Dictionaries

Published

1. The Dictionary of the Holy Qur'an (33 volumes)

- 2. The Thematic Dictionary of Quran Commentaries (3 volumes)
- 3. The Dictionary of Similar Words Analysis in the Holy Quran (2 volumes)
- 4. An Analytical Dictionary of Vojuh(different meanings of a word) and Naza'er (similar words with different meanings) in the Holy Quran (2 volumes)
- 5. The Applied Dictionary of Vocabulary in the Holy Quran (1 volume)
- 6. The Dictionary of Lifestyle Based on the Teachings of the Qur'an and Ahlulbayt (36 volumes)
- 7. Al-Miftah al-Jame' le Mostalahat al-Qur'an va Mafahimeh (6 volumes)
- 8. The Qur'anic Dictionary and Encyclopedia of Ethics
- 9. The Qur'anic Dictionary and Encyclopedia of Economy
- 10. The Qur'anic Dictionary and Encyclopedia of Pattern of Progress
- 11. The Our anic Dictionary and Encyclopedia of Security and Information
- 12. The Qur'anic Dictionary and Encyclopedia of Qur'anic Basis: The Statement of the Second Phase of Islamic Revolution of Iran
- 13. The Qur'anic Dictionary and Encyclopedia of History and A'alam
- 14. The Qur'anic Dictionary and Encyclopedia of Jihad and Martyrdom
- 15. The Qur'anic Dictionary and Encyclopedia of Hajj
- 16. The Qur'anic Dictionary and Encyclopedia of Family
- 17. The Qur'anic Dictionary and Encyclopedia of Ramadan
- 18. The Qur'anic Dictionary and Encyclopedia of Islamic Jurisprudence and Law
- 19. The Qur'anic Dictionary and Encyclopedia of Politics
- 20. The Qur'anic Dictionary and Encyclopedia of Hijab and Ifaf
- 21. The Dictionary and Encyclopedia of the Qur'an and Health
- 22. The Qur'anic Dictionary and Encyclopedia of Islamic Theology
- 23. The Qur'anic Dictionary and Encyclopedia of the Environment
- 24. The Qur'anic Dictionary and Encyclopedia of Social and Civilizational Studies
- 25. The Qur'anic Dictionary and Encyclopedia of Resistance
- 26. The Dictionary and Encyclopedia of Management
- 27. The Qur'anic Dictionary and Encyclopedia of Spirituality
- 28. The Qur'anic Dictionary of Mohammad (PBHH)
- 29. The Qur'anic Dictionary and Encyclopedia of Art

In Progress

- 1. The Dictionary of Lifestyle Based on the Teachings of the Qur'an and Narratives (30 titles)
- 2. The Dictionary of Antonyms in the Qur'an
- 3. Thematic Dictionary of the Surahs of the Qur'an

In Progress

13 macro-projects and 69 single project titles (54 central titles and 15 non-central titles)

D. Translations

- 1. Al-Miftah al-Jame' le Mostalahat al-Qur'an va Mafahimeh (7 volumes)
- 2. Translation of Dictionary of the Qur'an in Urdu

Libraries

The Specialized Library of Qur'anic Culture and Sciences: 50215 volumes.

Published Works

Total Published Works: 184 titles in 284 volumes

Journal

Scientific-Promotional Journal Journal of Qur'anic Sciences Studies

jqss.isca.ac.ir

Websites and Software Products

Research Websites

1. The Comprehensive Portal of Qur'anic Sciences and Teachings;

Address: quran.isca.ac.ir

2. The System of Displaying Qur'anic Achievements (Qur'anic Basket);

Address: sabad.isca.ac.ir

3. The Scientific Authority of the Qur'an;

Address: qsa.isca.ac.ir

4. The Qur'an and Isthiraq;

Address: esteshragh.isca.ac.ir

5. The Encyclopedia of the Holy Qur'an;

Address: encyq.isca.ac.ir

6. Qur'anic systematization;

Address: qs.isca.ac.ir

Mobile Applications

- 1. Qur'an Siraj
- 2. The Encyclopedia of the Holy Qur'an
- 3. The Dictionary of the Qur'an
- 4. Our anic Questions
- 5. The Thematic Dictionaries and Encyclopedias of the Qur'an in 22 Topics
- 6. The Thematic Dictionaries of Surahs of Qur'an

Software Products

- 1. The Dictionary of the Qur'an and Health
- 2. The Encyclopedia of the Our'an and Health
- 3. The Thematic Encyclopedia of Qur'anic Sciences: The most comprehensive thematic dictionary of the Qur'an, containing information on Tafsir Rahnama, dictionary of the Qur'an and the thematic dictionary of interpretations;
- 4. The Thematic Encyclopedia of Qur'anic Articles: containing the full text of ten thousand articles in the field of Qur'anic sciences and teachings;
- 5. Shajareh Tuba (digital library of the works of the Research Center for Qur'anic Culture and Sciences);
- 6. The Software of the Thematic Dictionary of the Interpretations
- 7. The Software for Qur'anic Questions

Conferences, Sessions, Meetings, Workshops, and MoUs

A. Conferences

International Conferences

- 1. The International Conference on the Qur'an and Issues of Contemporary Society, 2011
- 2. The International Conference on Figh of Reading (the Qur'an)

National Conferences

- 1. The Conference on the Examination of Interpretational Viewpoints of Allameh Ma'arefat, 2018
- 2. The Conference on the Examination of Qur'anic Viewpoints of Ayatollah Fazel, 2018
- 3. The Conference on Islamic Resistance from the Perspective of the Holy Qur'an, 2020
- 4. The Conference on the Scientific Authority of the Holy Qur'an, 2023

B. Scientific Sessions and Meetings

Promotional Sessions: 45

• Specialized Sessions: 3

• Scientific Meetings: 80

C. Scientific Workshops

Number of Workshops: 15 workshops in the field of scientific authority of the Holy Qur'an and the Qur'an and Orientalism.

D. Scientific Cooperation and MoUs

- Ministry of Sciences and Research
- The Center for Cooperation and Development of Research and Qur'anic Higher Education of Iran
- Consultative Assembly of the Ministry of Science
- Specialized Commission of "Interpretation, Sciences of the Qur'an and Hadith"
- Council for the Development and Coordination of Qur'anic Activities of Islamic Seminaries
- Radio Our'an
- Ministry of Health
- Saghalein Institute
- Pure Imams Jurisprudential Center
- Islamic Center of Western Iran

• Secretariat of the National Council of the Elderly of Iran

Some Honors of the Research Center

• Having won the title of Khadim (Servant) of the Qur'an in the Second International Exhibition of the Holy Qur'an

Some of the Selected Works of the Research Center

Books

- 1. The Encyclopedia of the Qur'an: The best religious research of the Secretariat of Iranian Congress of Religion Researchers, 2003.
- **2.** The Encyclopedia of the Qur'an: The best Qur'anic book at the 12th International Exhibition of the Holy Qur'an, 2003.
- **3.** The Dictionary of the Qur'an: Selected book at Islamic Seminary Year Book Festival, 2005.
- **4.** The Dictionary of the Qur'an: Selected book at the 13th International Exhibition of the Holy Qur'an, 2005.
- **5.** The Encyclopedia of the Qur'an: Selected the Year Book of the Islamic Republic of Iran, 2005.
- **6.** The Encyclopedia of the Qur'an: Selected book at Qur'an and Itrat Exhibition, 2005.
- 7. The Thematic Dictionary: Selected Qur'anic book at Book Week Festival, 2005.
- **8.** The Encyclopedia of the Qur'an: Selected Qur'anic Book at the 15th International Exhibition of the Holy Qur'an, 2007.
- **9.** Translation of the Qur'an Based on Tafsir Al-Mizan: Commendable for appreciation at Islamic Seminary Year Book Festival, 2007.
- **10. Tafsir Rahnama:** Selected work at the Conference of Border Guards of Revelation, 2008
- **11. The Dictionary of the Qur'an:** Selected work at the Conference of Border Guards of Revelation, 2008.
- **12.** The Encyclopedia of the Qur'an: Selected work at the Conference of Border Guards of Revelation, 2008.
- **13. Translation Based on Tafsir Al-Mizan Along with Explanation:** Selected Qur'anic Book at the 17th International Exhibition of the Holy Qur'an, 2009.
- **14. Apostasy, returning to darkness:** Selected Qur'anic Book at the 17th International Exhibition of the Holy Qur'an, 2009.
- **15. Ijtihad from the Perspective of the Qur'an**: Commendable for appreciation at Islamic Seminary Season Book Festival, 2009.
- **16. Ijtihad from the Perspective of the Qur'an**: Selected Qur'anic Book at the 17th International Exhibition of the Holy Qur'an, 2009.
- 17. Tafsir Rahnama: Selected Workb at Farabi International Festival, 2010.
- **18. Religious Pluralism from the Perspective of the Qur'an**: Selected Qur'anic Book at the 18th International Exhibition of the Holy Qur'an, 2010.
- **19.** The Dictionary of the Qur'an: Selected at the Islamic Republic of Iran Year Book Festival, 2011.

- **20.** Translation Based on Al-Mizan Along with Explanation: Commendable for appreciation at 29th Islamic Seminary Season Book Festival, 2011.
- **21. Educational Interpretation**: The third place of the best research at International Exhibition of the Holy Qur'an, 2010.
- **22.** The Encyclopedia of the Qur'an: The best research in the Section of Islamic Seminary at the 20th International Exhibition of the Holy Qur'an, 2011.
- **23. Rational Education from the Perspective of the Qur'an**: The second place at the 2nd Festival of the Best Interdisciplinary Works of the Holy Qur'an in the academic section at the 23rd International Exhibition of the Holy Qur'an, 2015.
- **24.** The Dictionary of Vojouh (different meanings of a word) and Naza'er (similar words): The second place of best Qur'anic Work in the Section of Islamic Seminary at the 23th International Exhibition of the Holy Qur'an, 2015.
- **25.** Interpretation of the Qur'an with the Qur'an: Commendable for appreciation at 20th Islamic Seminary Year Book Festival, 2018.
- **26. Figh of Reading (the Qur'an):** Commendable for appreciation at 36th Iranian Year Book Festival, 2018.
- **27. Social Violence from the Perspective of the Qur'an**: Commendable for appreciation at 22nd Iranian Islamic Seminary Year Book Festival, 2020.
- **28. Mysticism in the mirror of the Qur'an and Narratives**: Commendable for appreciation at 22nd Iranian Islamic Seminary Year Book Festival, 2020.
- **29.** The Relationship between the Qur'an and the Holy Book: Commendable for appreciation at 22nd Iranian Islamic Seminary Year Book Festival, 2021.
- **30.** A Study of Criteria of Ayat al-Ahkam Development: Commendable for appreciation at 34th Iranian Year Book Festival, 2016.
- **31.** Sirah of the Holy Prophet against Opponents: Selected book at the 14th Roshd Educational Books Festival, 2017.
- **32.** The Obstacles of Human Growth with a Qur'anic Look: Commendable for appreciation at 23rd Iranian Islamic Seminary Year Book Festival, 2021.
- **33.** The Relationship between the Qur'an and the Holy Book: Commendable for appreciation at 39th Iranian Year Book Festival, 2016.

Papers

- **34. Abrar**: Selected paper at the 2nd Islamic Press Festival
- **35.** A Jurisprudential Examination of Taghani Narratives in Reading the Qur'an: 1st place of the best papers at the Conference of Figh of Reading, 2015.
- **36.** Tajweed Rulings and Rules from the Point of View of Shia and Sunni Jurists: 2nd place of the best papers at the Conference of Figh of Reading, 2015.
- **37.** A Comparative Study of the Concept of Tartil Reading from the Perspective of the Qur'an, Sunnah and Tajweed Science, 3rd place of the best papers at the Conference of Figh of Reading, 2015.
- **38.** Collective Reading from the Point of View of Hadiths and Fariqain Jurists: 3rd place of the best papers at the Conference of Fiqh of Reading, 2015.
- **39.** Principle of Nafye Sabil and Cooperation with Enemies: Best place at Conference of Information Fiqh, 2015.

Software

- **40.** Having Obtaind the Title of Commendable for appreciation at the 8th Iran Web and Mobile Festival, 2015. **Specialized Website for Translation of the Holy Qur'an**.
- **41.** The Best Online Encyclopedia of the 4th International Digital Media Festival, 2010; **Quran Thematic Encyclopedia Website**.
- **42.** The Best Quranic Website in the Education and Research Section at the 1st International Festival of Quranic Software, 2009; **Ma'aref Qur'an Website**.
- **43.** The Top Rank in the Research Section of the 1st International Festival of Quranic Software, 2010; **Encyclopedia Software**.
- 44. Technological Achievement Commendable for Appreciation; Quran Portal.

