In the name of **God**

Research Center for Islamic Philosophy and Theology (RCIPT)

Islamic Sciences and Culture Academy (ISCA)
ISCA has been established in order to help deepen and develop Islamic disciplines, explain Islamic and revolutionary beliefs, insights, values, and broaden scientific horizons, religious enlightenment and a systematic methodic approach to the field of religious knowledge.

With its historical background of two decades of continuous activity in the arena of Islamic sciences and humanities and benefiting from professors of Islamic seminary and universities as well as erudite scholars of Islamic seminary, this academy attempts to produce a progressive religious thought and theoretical support of the Islamic system as "the intellectual symbol of the seminary". One of the research centers affiliated to this academy is RCIPT to which we are going to be introduced.

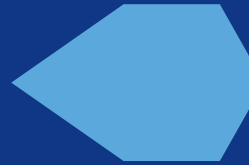# Table of Content

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Undoubtedly, in the realm of theoretical discussions, the main and fundamental challenge of any society, especially a religious community, is how to encounter philosophical and religious issues. The strength of a community is always dependent on its intellectual and theological foundations, and its destruction or collapse arises from the weakness of these foundations. Hence, intellectual foundations of societies have always been attacked by their enemies and deniers in various ways, often in the form of philosophical and theological skepticisms which have, of course, already been doubled in our society due to the formation of a religion-based government, and have taken political and cultural directions.

Scholars, especially Muslim theologians and philosophers, have considered their main scientific and theoretical task to consist in a correct interpretation and explication of the intellectual foundations of society as well as a defense of their status against skepticisms. And this is a task that has become more difficult for religious and seminary scholars, especially, if we consider the very important point that the objections and skepticisms which threaten the foundations of faith and religious beliefs at the present era and raise concerns for the society, particularly young people, are planned in completely different forms from and with very distinct methods compared to the past. Thus, confronting and responding to such a situation requires arranging and explicating the precious heritage of the past in a new form and obtaining new abilities in response to skepticisms and criticizing new intellectual issues. RCIPT affiliated to ISCA was established in 1994 in order to explain and introduce the theoretical doctrines of Islam with a rational-transmitted approach, recognizing and reconstructing the philosophical and theological heritage and responding to intellectual skepticisms. In recent years, in addition to conducting research on intellectual issues of the day, the rich heritage of Muslim thinkers and the deployment of modern research methods in the field of Islamic sciences to foster fundamental studies, this research center has implemented several great research projects such as Theological Teachings of the Twelver Shi'a Theologians. Also, important intellectual and practical areas such as "moral philosophy" and "philosophical psychology" as well as comparative studies in the field of "religion and reason" and "religion and linguistic knowledge", are among the prominent projects of this research center. Investigation and enhancement of Islamic philosophy and its relationship to social and political needs, as well as a modernization of Shi'a theology in order to be more active in facing up to rival thoughts, are some of the most important projects in current and future plans.

General overview

Organizational structure of the research center

Objectives, Policies and Duties

Organizational components of the research center are as follows:

1. Director of the research center
2. Research Council
3. Research Departments
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Objectives

1. Explicating and reforming the foundations and theoretical frameworks of Islamic philosophy and theology in order to develop and enhance them, and also to meet individual and social needs.

2. Recognition and systematic explanation of theoretical doctrines of Islam.
3. Rational defense of Islamic doctrines and response to philosophical and theological doubts.
4. Innovations in presenting Islamic doctrines and making them comprehensible to audiences of all types.

Policies

1. A scholarly and logical look at intellectual issues and a concern for scientific and rational investigations, and an implementation of efficient research.
2. Adherence to genuine Islamic principles and taking research pathologies into account, as well as avoiding eclecticism, intellectual dogmatism and intellectual superficiality.
3. Knowing the audience and matching contents of the research with the features and needs of the audience.
4. Considering skepticisms and new philosophical and theological issues.
5. An attempt to investigate the religion and religiosity requirements of contemporary human being.
6. An active, rather than passive, approach to philosophical and theological issues and theorization.
7. Trying to communicate and interact with scholars and thinkers and draw upon their capacity and achievements in the field of Islamic philosophy and theology so as to carry out the tasks and research activities.
8. Using up-to-date and effective literature to present research achievements.
9. an attempt towards intellectual effectiveness and improving spiritual beliefs of the audience
10. Turning research fields pertaining to Islamic philosophy and theology into specialized ones
11. Determining research priorities according to necessities and needs
12. Deploying achievements of human sciences and knowledge along with a critical attitude towards its shortcomings and its inconsistencies with Islamic thought
13. Prioritizing group activities and collective thinking on philosophical and theological studies
14. Observing scientific criteria and standards and applying new methods and tools in philosophical and theological research.

Duties

1. Rewriting and developing philosophical and

theological thoughts so as to enhance philosophical and theological ideas.

2. Dealing with fundamental issues and theoretical foundations of philosophy and theology with the aim of deepening religious issues.

3. Translation of important and effective philosophical and theological works in order to enrich philosophical and theological issues.

4. Reviewing and criticizing various philosophical and theological traditions with the aim of arriving at better accounts of Islamic teachings.

5. Study, research and implementation of research projects on the doctrinal system of Islam

6. Identifying philosophical and theological skepticism and providing appropriate responses

7. Identifying various audiences and expressing Islamic teachings according to their needs.

8. Creating specialized groups in order to carry out research plans and activities

9. Providing a context for dialogues among Muslim scholars and holding conferences with philosophical and theological topics

10. Identifying and attracting researchers and supporting the scholars of the Islamic Seminary in the field of philosophy and theology with the aim of providing a context for their growth and promotion.

11. Providing research resources and contexts to facilitate research in the field of Islamic philosophy and theology

12. Providing a context for the growth and enhancement of knowledge and ability of researchers through courses and workshops, scientific meetings and discussions, creating opportunities for study, etc.

13. Informing Islamic seminaries on the novel issues and challenges of the Islamic society in the field of philosophy and theology.

14. Communication and cooperation with organizations, institutions, authorities, cultural elites, institutes and scientific, research and executive centers in order to advance the goals of the research center.

15. Building active and constructive relationship with other research centers and divisions of ISCA with the aim of establishing coordination, implementing joint plans and preventing repetitive work.

An Introduction to
Research Council

The research council of RCIPT has been established with the aim of promoting and advancing research projects of the research center, with the membership of thinkers and experts in the field of philosophy and Islamic theology. This council is the most important pillar for the planning, guidance and supervision of the research center, and all research projects will be finalized with its approval. In addition to conducting and overseeing research projects, the research council has an active participation in the approval and promotion of human resources of the research center, including faculty members, experts, researchers and scholars. Some of the council's duties are as follows:

1. Studying, reviewing and approving proposed plans of the research departments.
2. Studying, reviewing and approving brief and detailed projects
3. Checking faculty members' files for purposes of employment and promotion
4. Final approval and evaluation of works for publication
5. Approval of the condition of good execution of projects
6. Approval of scientific supervisors with the suggestion of the department chair, and so on.

An Introduction to Research Departments and their Activities

At present, there are three active research departments in the research center:

1. Department of Philosophy
2. Department of Islamic Theology
3. Department of Ethics

The structure of research activities in each department is organized in three ways. The first part of the activity is typically done in the form of "monographs" (compilations and translations). The monographs consist in research individually conducted by scholars on independent subjects in accordance with the research center's objectives and intellectual needs of the community. But in recent years, scientific and research activities have gone into long-term, group projects on basic issues and most of the activities have been carried out in the form of large-scale projects called "macro projects". One of the priorities taken into account in the process of approving proposed projects is their alignment with these macro-projects. Macro-projects consist in research conducted by a group of scholars on a large-scale subject. Macro-projects have the capacity for various research activities, such as compilations, translations, collections of articles, scientific meetings, interviews, and so forth, and they are designed and implemented with the aim of fundamental and up-to-date research to enhance the existing cultural and intellectual heritage, reestablishing, designing new topics, discovering new domains and theorizing and advancing science with the discovery and actuation of the latent talents of researchers and improving the quality of their knowledge and creating scientific animation in the field of study and research. The third form of activity is "meetings and dialogues" held on some of the major topics, and their works are published in a series of dialogues.

Department of Philosophy

Philosophy has been prominent, since the very first centuries in the Islamic tradition, as one of the main components of human civilizations, and has been searching for truth through rational methods as a branch of knowledge, and in the Islamic world, it has been transformed into the form of Islamic philosophy according to the conditions of the Islamic society and now it is part of the intellectual-cultural tradition of Islamic civilization.

While acknowledging that the progress of any culture and civilization is impossible without an exploitation of its traditional heritage and the innovations and advancements of others, the Department of Philosophy in RCIPT works on two fields: Islamic philosophy and Western philosophy. By working on research projects in the field of Islamic philosophy, this department is seeking to irradiate and revive the intellectual heritage of Muslim philosophers. Investigation of dark corners and delineation of implications of different view, as well as expansion and reformation of theories in Islamic philosophy are the most important goals of the Department of Philosophy. In the field of Western philosophy, this department draws upon its positive points and criticizes its negative points through centuries of studies conducted by Western philosophers. In addition, by comparing the Islamic and Western philosophical traditions, the Department of Philosophy can reveal the strengths and weaknesses of each, and broaden new horizons and then use them to advance the Islamic civilization.

Accordingly, the Department of Philosophy has designed and implemented large-scale projects in accordance with the aforementioned objectives.

Of these large-scale projects, we can refer to the macro-project "the capabilities of Islamic philosophy and its relation to social and political life." The purpose of this project is to investigate the following question: "Does Islamic philosophy have to deal with abstract and theoretical thinking, or does it also have to deal with social and political domains? And does it basically have the ability and capability to enter such areas?"

Another large-scale project in the Department of Philosophy is "The Mind and Body Relationship ". Being implemented in two areas of "Islamic psychology" and "philosophy of mind", this project tries to find an answer to questions by Muslim philosophers and present a new explanation of Islamic psychology, through investigating and introducing new theories of analytic philosophers on mind and formulating the Islamic psychology within Islamic philosophical systems by introducing issues brought up in the philosophy of mind.

The mind-body problem is one of the most fundamental topics in the field of philosophical study of the human nature, which has been discussed and investigated since early days by Muslim philosophers as well as philosophers in the West.

Since this fundamental issue has been dealt with in the teachings of divine religions and is closely related to the immortality of men and the quality of their resurrection, this religious and philosophical issue has been a concern of many thinkers. Today, in the West, new theories, including dualism, materialism and constitution, have been raised as explanations of the mind-body relation, and a critical and comparative study of these theories with the theories of Muslim philosophers and theologians is a serious concern for the macro-project of "the mind-body relationship". Thus, in March 2010, RCIPT organized an international conference on Religious Doctrines and the Mind-Body Problem which was highly welcomed by philosophers and thinkers inside and outside Iran, and the proceedings of papers presented in this conference were published in seven volumes. Due to common themes in the fields of Uṣūl (principles of Islamic jurisprudence) and philosophy of language, the macro-project of "Philosophy of Language and Uṣūl" has aimed at comparing these two issues and determining the strengths and weaknesses of each.

The programs of the Department of Philosophy are organized in the form of macro-projects, the plans approved by intellectual and cultural hubs in Islamic Propagation Office of Qom Seminary, compilation and translation of thematic monographs, as well as holding academic meetings and debates.

1. **Philosophy of Language and Uṣūl**

Interactions and comparisons between traditions and different intellectual domains are very beneficial, especially, when new results can be found to identify weaknesses and abilities of original intellectual traditions in the process of interacting and exchanging ideas. Undoubtedly, Uṣūl al-Fiqh (principles of Islamic Jurisprudence) is one of the richest heritages of the Shi'a seminaries. An im-

portant part of this science is the preparation and setting of general linguistic rules for inference of religious rulings through verbal reasoning. This section, which has been very productive and yet unknown, has not been commended so far.

Another point is that so far in the Western philosophical tradition, philosophers have conducted some research on language and its relation to reality and mind and have achieved some results. Today, these achievements are of interest to scholars of the humanities. Hence, investigating and comparing these two important intellectual domains from a philosophical point of view can lead to the interaction of these two domains, Uṣūl can benefit from linguistic sciences, and growth and enhancement of the production of science and theorizing. To accomplish such a goal, the macro-project of "philosophy of language and Uṣūl" has been devised and implemented, some of whose steps are as follows:

Preparing a collection of compiled and translated papers in two levels:

a) Introduction of the prospects, general overview and domain of linguistic issues in Uṣūl and analytic philosophy

b) Entering the major philosophical issues raised in these two areas, such as semantic problems, signification, intention, condition, speech acts, etc.

• Translation of the main and influential books of analytic philosophy for the correct promotion of this school and its localization.

• Compilation of the book in the form of research projects on various philosophical problems related to the field of language through comparison and evaluation

• Holding scientific meetings and discussions with a focus on analytic philosophy and Uṣūl

• Asking questions and consulting the experts in order to benefit from various opinions

Active projects within this macro-project

1. Speech Acts in Analytic Philosophy and Uṣūl, Mohammad Ali Abdollahi

2. Davidson's Theory of Meaning, Ali Saboohi.

3. Ascription of Beliefs and Referential Perspective, Ahmad Reza Hemmati.

4. Demonstrative Nouns and Pronouns in Philosophy of Language, Sajed Tayyebi.
5. Rigid and Necessary Designators, Sajed Tayyebi.
6. Semantics of Words, Mostafa Mohajeri.
7. Kripke's Arguments for Direct Narrative Theory, Hashem Morvarid
8. Reviewing and Criticizing Kripke's View on Following the Rule: Semantic Skepticism and the Rejection of a Private Language, Jafar Morvarid
9. Conditional Statements and Conditional Duty in Uṣūl, Ali Reza Mohammadi.
10. Analysis of the Object of Commands, Ali Reza Mohammadi.
11. Collection of Papers on Analytic Philosophy (translation), a group of translators
12. An Introduction to Philosophy of Probability
13. A Set of Dialogues and Meetings on Philosophy of Language and Usul.

2. **The macro-project of "The Mind-Body Relationship"**

The nature of soul has always been of interest to philosophers because of its important repercussions. But in recent years, the mind, its processes and its nature have attracted the attention of many philosophers in the West. Since the twentieth century is called the century of the philosophy of mind, attempts have been made to solve important issues of philosophy with attention to the mind-body problem. That is why the macro-project of "the mind-body relationship" has been established. Some of the scholarly-research works that are planned in this macro-project are as follows:

a) Descriptive Bibliography for Islamic philosophical psychology
b) The Dictionary of Islamic Psychology and Contemporary Western Philosophy of Mind
c) The History of Islamic Psychology
d) An Introduction to Islamic Psychology
e) Islamic Psychology of Muslim philosophers
f) Dealing with the Main Works of New Philosophy of the Mind

Some Active Plans in this Macro-Project

1. Externalism about Mental Contents, Mahmoud Morvarid

2. The Problem of Consciousness in the Philosophy of Mind, Yasser Pouresmaeil
3. Modularity of Mind and Psychological Faculties
4. Qualia, Ahmad Reza Hemmati and Yasser Pouresmaeil
5. The Macro-project of " he capacities of Islamic Philosophy and its Relationship with Socio-Political Life"

The project was established in the research center following the emphasis of the Supreme Leader of Iran in a meeting with some scholars on the clarification and determination of the relationship between Islamic philosophy and socio-political life. Its detailed proposal was prepared and its implementation stages were identified. The purpose of this project is to demonstrate the capabilities and shortcomings of Islamic philosophy, especially in relation to human life. In order to achieve this goal, in the first stage, we must see the nature and truth of Islamic philosophy and what is meant by the term "Islamic philosophy".

To achieve this goal and advance the subject, several works are considered as follows:

- Implementing research projects on "the nature of Islamic philosophy" and its related topics.
- Implementing research projects on "the capabilities of Islamic philosophy and its relationship with socio-political life".
- Compilation and translation of articles.
- Holding meetings and scientific dialogues.

Active projects in this macro-project
1. The effect of natural sciences on the first philosophy, Saeed Anvari.
2. The core and shell of religion from the viewpoint of Muslim mystics and traditionalists, Khadijeh Tabrizi

The macro-project of "the nature of Shiite mysticism"

Given the increasing spread of false mysticism in the contemporary era and the prevalence of various skepticisms, it is necessary to pay more attention to the tradition of pure Shi'a mysticism and its introduction to new generations. The purpose of this macro-project is to introduce the genuine Islamic mysticism and the pathology of emerging mysticism in the Department of Philosophy.

Active projects in this macro-project

1. The Relationship between Shiism and Sufism in the First Texts of Asceticism and Sufism
2. The nature of Shiite Mysticism
3. The image of Shiite Imams and Caliphs in the works of Ibn Arabī and His Disciples

B) Monographs

1. An Introduction to Humanism in the West, Mohammad Hadi Tal'ati, (published)
2. A translation of a Letter about Humanism, by Martin Heidegger, translation and introduction by Ebrahim Alipour.
3. The Realms of Existence in Analytic Philosophy, Mohammad Amin Ahmadi (Under evaluation)

c) Central Projects

1. The international conference on "Immortality of the soul in Islam and Christianity", conference secretariat in RCIPT.
2. Translation of the following book by Yasser Khoshnevis:
   Mind over Machine: The Power of Human Intuition and Expertise in the Era of the Computer.

3. Translation of the following book by Ali Malek Mohammadi and Ammar Kalantar:
   Being in the World: A commentary on Heidegger's Being and Time
4. An Introduction to Emotion and Emotionalism from the viewpoint of Transcendent Wisdom, Zeinab Sadat Mirshamsi
5. A Comparative Study of Bonjour's Foundationalism and the Foundationalism of Transcendent Wisdom, Isa Musazadeh and Mahdi Abbaszadeh
6. Compilation of the textbook "Islamic Psychology" (Retrieved from 7 volumes of selected articles in the International Conference on Religious Doctrines and the Mind-Body problem, by Yasser Pouresmaeil.

D) The Duties of Faculty Members

1. The Relationship of Faculties and Virtues from the viewpoint of Mullā Ṣadrā, Ebrahim Alipour
2. An Investigation of 'Allāma Ṭabāṭabā'ī's Perspectives on the Relationship between Theory and Practice.
3. The Nature of Shiite Mysticism

1. "The nature of Islamic philosophy", with the presence of Ayatollah Javadi Amoli, 2004. Prof. Qolamreza Fayyazi (two sessions), 2004. Prof. Hossein Qaffari (two sessions) 2004. Prof. Mostafa Malekian (two sessions) 2004. Prof. Qolamreza A'avani 2004, Prof. Sayyid Mahdi Mirbagheri 2004, Prof. Sayyid Jafar Seyedan 2004. Prof. Qolam Hussein Dianani 2004.

2. "Islam and Contemporary Human Needs" and" Man of Modern Age and his Needs" with the presence of Dr. Mohammad Legenhausen (two sessions) and Prof. Mostafa Malekian (two sessions).

3. "Socio-political Capabilities of Islamic

The academic-promotional Session on "Criticism of
Dr. Mohammad Ali Amir Moezzi's View on Shiite mysticism"

philosophy" with the presence of Prof. Moṣṭafa Malekian (two sessions), Dr. Mohammad Legenhausen and Dr. Hussein Qaffari.

4. "Criticism of Formal Logic" with the presence of Dr. Yahya Yasrebi, 2006.

5. "Criticism of Causality in Islamic philosophy" with the presence of Dr. Yahya Yasrebi, 2006.

6. "Criticism of causality in Islamic philosophy" with the presence of Prof. Moṣṭafa Malekian, Dr. Mohammad Legenhausen, 2006 and Prof. Qolamreza A'avani 2006.

7. "Criticism of the Definition of Philosophy" with the presence of Dr. Yahya Yasrebi, 2006.

8. "Analytic Philosophy and Uṣūl" with the presence of Prof. Moṣṭafa Malekian (two sessions) 2002. Prof. Sadeq Larijani, 2002 and 2005, Prof. Ali Abedi Shahroudi 2005, Prof. Sayyid Ahmad Madadi 2005.

9. "Analytic Philosophy, Theory of Meaning" with the presence of Dr. Hamid Vahid Daṣṭjerdi (four sessions) 2005.

10. Academic interviews in line with "the International Conference of Religious Doctrines and the Mind-Body Problem"

with the presence of Prof.s: Sayyid Yadollah Yazdanpanah, Mohammad Hossein Heshmatpoor, Qolamreza Fayyazi, Sayyid Jafar Seyedan and Dr. Qolam Hossein Ebrahimi Dinani.

11. An academic meeting on "the Theory of the Soul in the School of Tafkik (separation)" with the presence of Mohammad Biabani Oskuei, (December, 2008).

12. An academic meeting on" The Causal Relationship between the States of Mind and Action" with the presence of Dr. Mehdi Zakeri (January, 2009).

13. An academic meeting on "Mental Content and Biological Function" with the presence of Dr. Hossein Sheikh Rezaei, (May, 2009).

14. An academic meeting on "the Relationship between the Soul and the Body from the Viewpoint of Avicenna and Mullā Ṣadrā" with the presence of Prof. Abdorabsul Obudiat (December, 2008).

15. An academic meeting on" the Relationship between the Soul and the Body from the viewpoint of Mullā Ṣadrā" with the presence of Prof. Sayyid Yadollah Yazdanpanah (April, 2009).

The Inquiry of the Relationship between Humanismand Religion

The academic-promotional session on "The Study of the Relationship between Humanism and Religion"

1. An academic meeting on "The Truth and Characteristics of Soul and Spirit in the Holy Quran", presented by Prof. Hassan Moallemi (February, 2011).

2. An academic meeting on" The Soul and Body and Each Other's Relationship", presented by Prof. Ali Abedi Shahroudi (February, 2011).

3. An academic meeting on" The Relationship between the Soul and the Body", presented by Prof. Qolamreza Fayazi (February, 2011).

4. An academic meeting on" Human Beings

without Immaterial Souls", presented by Prof. Lynne Rudder Baker (February, 2011).

5. An academic meeting on" Matter-Formalism and the Mind-Body Return": Philosophical proof of physical resurrection from the viewpoint of Shaikh Aḥmad Aḥsā'ī, presented by Hamid Edris Samavi (November, 2010).

6. An academic meeting on" the Substantial Motion of the Soul and Its Effect on Mullā Ṣadrā's Theory of the Soul" with the presence of Prof. Entezam (2008). Weekly meetings on "Metaphysical Views and Accounts of Resurrection" in eight sessions:

7. The first and second sessions on "Constitution View and Constitution Account of Resurrection", presented by Mahmoud Morvarid (December, 2010)

8. The third and fourth sessions on "Emergentism and Emergentist Account of Resurrection", presented by Yasser Khoshnevis (December, 2010).

9. The fifth and sixth sessions on "Eliminative Metaphysics and Van Inwagen's Account of Resurrection", presented by Mahmoud Morvarid (January, 2011).

10. The seventh and eighth sessions on "Dualist Metaphysics and Plantinga's Account of Resurrection", presented by Mansour Nasiri (January, 2011).

11. An academic meeting on "Ibn Rushd's Theory of the Unity of the Intellect (rational soul) and the Denial of the Individual Immortality", presented by Hassan Yusefian (January, 2011).

12. An academic meeting on "the Influence of the Non-doxastic on the Doxastic Dimensions of the Soul in Ghazali, presented by Zahra (Mitra) Poursina (February, 2011).

13. An academic meeting on "the Gender of the Soul and Justice in Islam", presented by Hadi Sadeqi (February, 2011).

14. An academic-promotional session on "Criticism of Dr. Mohammad Ali Amir Moezzi's Viewpoint on Shiite Mysticism", presented by Dr. Mohammad Souri (November, 2016).

15. An academic-promotional session on "a Transcendent View of the Human in Mullā Ṣadrā's Philosophy", presented by Dr. Ebrahim Alipour (2016).

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An academic-promotional session on "a Transcendent View of the Human in Mullā Ṣadrā's Philosophy"

F) Published Works

1. A Criticism and Review of Kant's Philosophy, Yusof Karam, translated by Mohammad Mohammad Rezaei, 1995&2011.
2. The Foundations of Christian Philosophy, Etienne Gilson, translated by Mohammad Mohammad Rezaei and Sayyid Mahmood Musavi, 1996.
3. Religious Thought in the Twentieth Century, Abbas Sheikh Shoaei and Mohammad Mohammad Rezaei, 1996.
4. Sensory perception from Avicenna's perspective, Mohammad Taqi Fa'ali, 1997.
5. The Nature of the Universality and Necessity, a research in philosophy of logic, Askari Soleimani Amiri, 1999.
6. Three Philosophical Traditions, a report on Indian and Chinese philosophies, Abolfazl Mahmoodi, 1999.
7. Metaphysics, Richard Taylor, translated by Mohammad Javad Rezaei, 1999.
8. Causality from the Viewpoint of Muslim Philosophers and Empiricists, Aynullah Khadimi, 2001.

9. The Fallacies, Ali Asghar Khandan, 2001(the 13th edition), 2017.

10. The Leibniz and Clarke correspondence, H. G. Alexander, translated by Ali Arshad Riahi, 2002.

11. Intellect and Experience from the Viewpoint of Spinoza, G.H.R. Parkinson, translated by Mohammad Ali Abdollahi, 2002.

12. Existentialist Theology, John Macquarrie, translated by Mahdi Dashbozorgi, 2003.

13. Mind, Brain and Science. John. R. Searle, translated by Amir Divani, 2003.

14. Speech Acts, John. R. Searle, translated by Mohammad Ali Abdollahi, 2006.

15. The Impact of Sin on Man's Knowledge from Augustine's viewpoint, Zahra Pour Sina, 2006.

16. A Bibliography of Western Philosophy (1), Hossein Ali Rahmati, 2007.

17. The Meaning of Life, a group of compilers, 200&2010.

18. An Introduction to the Nature of Islamic Philosophy, a collection of dialogues with Islamic philosophy Prof., Ebrahim Alipoor, 2010.

19. Skepticism and the Definition of Knowledge, translated by Mohammad Hadi Shahab, 2010.

20. Atheism and self-alienation, translated by Sayyid Ebrahim Musavi, 2010.

21. Abstract Book "The International Conference of Religious Doctrines and the Mind-Body Problem, RCIPT, 2010.
22. Abstract Book on the Body and the Soul (in Persian), RCIPT, 2010.
23. A Descriptive Bibliography for the Philosophy of Soul, Mohammad Maleki, 2011.
24. An Introduction to the Philosophy of Mind, translated by Mahdi Zakeri, 2011.
25. The Nature of Islamic Philosophy, compiled by Yarali Kord Firooz Rajaei, 2010.
26. Materialist Theories of Mind, Ali Sabuhi and Ahmadreza Hemmati Muqaddam, 2012.
27. Avicenna's Philosophy of Art, Hadi Rabiei, 2012.
28. A Descriptive Bibliography for the School of Tafkik (separation), Hadi Rabbani, 2013.
29. Islam and the Soul-Body Problem, a group of authors, 2013.
30. Christianity and the Mind and Body Problem, A collection of papers (a group of translators), 2013.
31. A collection of papers for The International Conference of Religious Doctrines and the Mind-Body Problem (first volume): mind and body in religious texts, a group of scholars, 2013.
32. A collection of papers for The International Conference of Religious Doctrines and the Mind-Body Problem (second volume): mind and body in peripatetic and transcendent philosophy (1), a group of scholars, 2013.
33. A collection of papers for The International Conference of Religious Doctrines and the Mind-Body Problem (third volume): mind and body in peripatetic and transcendental philosophy (2), a group of scholars, 2014.
34. A collection of papers for The International Conference of Religious Doctrines and the Mind-Body Problem (fourth volume): mind and body in comparative theology, a group of scholars, 2014.

35. A collection of papers for The International Conference of Religious Doctrines and the Mind-Body Problem (fifth volume): mind and body and the resurrection problem, a group of scholars, 2014.

36. A collection of papers for The International Conference of Religious Doctrines and the Mind-Body Problem (sixth volume): mind and body before and after death, a group of scholars, 2014.

37. A collection of papers for The International Conference of Religious Doctrines and the Mind-Body Problem (seventh volume): mind and body in ethics and anthropology, a group of scholars, 2014.

38. Functionalism in the Philosophy of Mind, translated by Yasser Pouresmaeil, 2014.

39. Eliminativism in the Philosophy of Mind (a group of authors), Yasser Pouresmaeil, 2014.

40. Identity Theory in the Philosophy of Mind (a group of authors), 2014.

41. Dualism and Behaviorism in the Philosophy of Mind (a group of authors), 2014.

42. An Introduction to Pragmatism, Mahdi Zakeri (a group of authors), 2015.

43. Emergentism and Consciousness, Yasser Khoshnevis, 2015.

44. Moving and Immaterial, an Consideration of the Compatibility of the Soul's Immateriality with Its Change, Alireza Asadi, 2016.

45. A Bibliography of Western Philosophy (second volume), Hossein Ali Rahmati, 2016.

46. An Introduction to Humanism in the West, Mohammad Hadi Tal'ati, 2016.

47. The Impact of Sin on Knowledge with an emphasis on Imam Muhammad Ghazali's viewpoints, Zahra Poursina, 2016.

48. Natures and Demands of Islamic Philosophy, scientific edition and effort by Ebrahim Alipoor, 2016.

49. An Introduction to Mind-Body Problem in Sadraean Philosophy, Hadi Mousavi, 2017.

As its future prospect, the Department of Philosophy in RCIPT is going to organize projects and large-scale research, through holding "The International Conference on the Immortality of the Soul in Islam and Christianity", in the form of presented scientific papers to this conference on philosophy of the soul, and publish the selected papers of this conference (as the previous conference) in the framework of "a collection of selected papers".

Also, the Department of Philosophy is going to leave some projects within the macro-project of "Shiite Mysticism" to interested scholars and towards this goal, this department is going to support and publish the top dissertations in the domain of philosophy and theology which are in line with the department's macro-projects.

Another project of the department in the future is to pave the way for the publication of an English journal called "Islamic Philosophy", whose preliminary stages are underway.

In the near future, the Department of Philosophy will hold two promotional sessions with the following titles:

1. Promotional sessions on" Universal Humanism based on Heidegger's Standards", which Dr. Ebrahim Alipour is going to hold in November.
2. Promotional sessions on" Spiritual Development in the Ahlulbayt's Heritage", which Dr. Mohammad Souri is going to hold in February, 2019.

International Conference of
Immortality of the Soul in Islam and Christianity

Extended
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ISC

The Research Center for Islamic Philosophy and Theology
organizes a conference on the following topics in order to explain religious doctrines related to the immortality of the soul:

1. **Concept of death**
2. **Concept of immortality**
3. **Criteria of personal identity**
4. **Postmortem survival**
   - **Historical origins of the belief in the survival**
   - **The survival in different religions and denominations**
   - **Types of survival**
   - **Arguments for the survival:**
     - Philosophical arguments
     - Mystical arguments
     - Theological arguments
     - Merely transmission-based arguments
     - Empirical arguments (such as near-death experiences)
   - **Dualistic accounts**
   - **Non-dualistic accounts**
5. **Life after death**
   - **Views about the human fate after death**
     - Annihilation
     - Reincarnation
   - ***Barzakh* (inter-world)**

- The quality of *barzakh*
- Life in *barzakh*
- Arguments for *barzakh*
- The nature of human in *barzakh* and life in *barzakh* (physical or otherwise)
- **Resurrection**
  - The quality of resurrection
  - The resurrection and the nature of the return (philosophical and mystical accounts and arguments)
  - The resurrection and the universal soul
  - The first and the second blow (*nafkha*)
  - The resurrection of non-human entities
  - Other stages of the resurrection (*ṣirāṭ* or the bridge, *mīzān* or the scale, the presentation of actions)
- **Physical and spiritual resurrections**
  - Longitudinal bodies
  - Arguments for physical resurrection
  - Identity of the person in this world and the afterlife
- **Heaven and Hell**
  - Eternity in the Hell
  - Renewal of one's condition in the Heaven and the Hell
  - Embodiment of actions

Deadline for abstracts: March 16, 2019
Deadline for papers: september 16, 2019

- For registration visit the conference website
- papers should be submitted as MS Word documents
- the files should be submitted via the conference website
- papers should not exceed 8000 words
- author(s) should be mentioned with their affiliations
- papers can be in English, Arabic, or Persian
- selected papers will be published in a collection
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Department of Islamic Theology

Theology deals with arranging, organizing and explaining religious doctrines and elimination of doubts through rational and transmitted methods. In this regard, the Department of Islamic Theology in the research center has devised projects for studying of theological schools and the thoughts of various theologians, finding new answers and eliminating new skepticisms. While also paying special attention to the theological heritage of the past, the department attaches great importance to the philosophy of religion. At present, academic projects of the theology department are organized in the form of macro-projects "Theological Teachings of Imamiyya (the Twelver) Theologians" and "the Reason and Religion" and approved projects of the intellectual and cultural centers in Islamic Propagation Office of Qom Seminary, a compilation of thematic monographs on specific theological issues and currents, holding academic meetings and debates.

a) Macro-projects

1. The macro-project of "Theological Teachings of Imami Theologians"

One cannot study new theological issues and respond to today's human questions without proper familiarity with theological principles and foundations and without considering the theological heritage of the past. The development of ideas and thoughts should be based on the past heritage in order not to get far away from its religious and ideological principles and suffer from intellectual and ideological deviation. To this end, the Department of Islamic Theology has a macro-project called "Theological Teachings of Imami Theologians" underway, as the first step in recognizing a comprehensive history of Imami theology. In this project, monographs on theological ideas of each prominent Imami theologians will be written, where they concern different periods of Imami theological life, in order to provide the requisite context for the compilation of a comprehensive history of Imami theology.

Active Projects of This Macro-project

1. Theological Teachings of Fayḍ Kāshānī, Ahadollah Qolizadeh (under publication)
2. Theological Teachings of Ibn Maytham al-Baḥrānī, Ali Allah Bedashti (under publication)
3. Theological Teachings of al-Shaykh al-Mufīd, Ali Naqi Khodayari.
4. Theological Teachings of Ḥimmaṣī Rāzī, Asghar Ramezani.
5. Theological Teachings of Muḥammad Ibrahīm Nowbakhtī, Saeedeh Sadat Nabawi.
6. Theological Teachings of Mullā Mahdī Narāqī, Esmaeil Danesh
7. Theological Teachings of Ibn Abbās, Alireza Farajpour.
8. Theological Teachings of Shiite Mu'tazeli's, Abbas Mirzaei.
9. Theological Teachings of Abd al-Razzāq Lāhījī, Mohammad Hossein Fariab.
10. Theological Teachings of Mūllā Hādī Sabzawārī, Asghar Ramezani.
11. Theological Teachings of 'Allāma Ḥillī, Mohammad Reza Behrouz.
12. Theological Teachings of Hishām Ibn Sālim, Akbar Karbasi.
13. Theological Teachings of Shaykh Ḥurr Āmilī, Mohsen Golshahi.
14. Theological Teachings of Jābir Ibn Yazīd al-Ju'fī, Mostafa Haqani.
15. Theological Teachings of unknown Imami Theologians, Sayyid Akbar Musavi Tenyani.
16. Theological Teachings of Shahīd Thānī, Mahdi Hassanpour.
17. Theological Teachings of Hishām Ibn Ḥakam'sDisciples,SayyidAliAkbarMusavi Tenyani and Mohammad Jafar Rezaei.

Although, this macro-project follows theology through history-making characters of the field, in the following projects it has been tried to explore a part of this huge history through the theological heritage and subjects. The first project is a reproduction of ideological and theological heritage of Abū Jafar Mu'min al-Ṭāq, and the second project is an analytical review of anthropology in the first five centuries of Islamic theology history.

1. The Ideological Heritage of Mu'min al-Ṭāq, Akbar Karbasi.
2. The Anthropology of Imami Theologians in the first five centuries, Saeedeh Sadat Nabavi.

On November 30, 2017, coincided with the commemoration day of Shaykh Mufīd, eight of the printed works in this macro-project were unveiled.

3. The Macro-project of "Reason and Religion" The explanation of the relationship between reason and religion has always been one of the most fundamental concerns for philosophers and theologians. Today, this problem is one of the most important issues in the philosophy of religion. Topics discussed in this domain are both theoretically and practically important and have a significant impact on the religious community. In order to consolidate religious principles in the theoretical domain, and strengthen religious rituals in the field of theology, the Theology Department is carrying out macro-project of "reason and religion". In this macro-project, theologians and philosophers have been selected from those in both Islam and Christianity, and through comparing their ideas with each other, it is tried to explain the views of Muslim thinkers in this regard.

Active plans of this macro-project
1. Wittgenstein's Religious Language, Mohammad Hossein Mahdavinejad.
2. Inference to the Best Explanation and Theism, Mansour Nasiri.
3. Religion and Explanation, Mansour Nasiri.

4. Reason and Wahy (revelation) from the Viewpoint of Shaykh Ṣadūq, Mufīd and Sayyid Raḍī, Sayyid Mahdi Mortazavi.
5. Philosophical Explanation of the Doctrines of Resurrection, Alireza As'adi.
6. Rationality and Spirituality, Sayyid Mohammad Akbarian.

b) Central projects
In order to cooperate with intellectual and cultural centers in Islamic Propagation Office and particularly the Center of Deepening the Religious Faith and Beliefs, the Theology Department has tried to work on two macro-projects based on arranging and designing academic micro-projects on deepening religious beliefs and faith, producing related papers on the same topic, holding academic, research and promotional meetings and sessions related to deepening religious faith and beliefs. The two macro-projects are going to be introduced in the section "prospects". However, all the topics that the Theology department is going to work on regarding the approved macro-projects in the center of deepening the religious faith and beliefs will be as follows:

1. Identifying the attributes of faith and religiosity
2. Identifying the factors and obstacles of religious faith
3. Identifying the consequences for the lack of faith deepening.
   Also, the following are the proposals of the Theology Department which have been approved at the Center of Deepening Religious Faith and Beliefs:
1. The project of "Macro-research of theological studies on deepening the religious faith and beliefs"
2. Writing papers related to theological studies on deepening the religious faith and beliefs
3. Holding meetings related to theological studies on deepening the religious faith and beliefs.
4. Evaluating the theories of faith in relation to peace.
5. Theological thoughts of Shahīd Thānī.
6. Theological thoughts of Hishām Ibn Ḥakam's disciples

c) Monographs

The gap between knowledge and practice from the perspective of Quranic verses

d) Meetings and talks

1. An academic conference on "Revelation and Divine Theology or Human Theology" in partnership with Islamic Theology Association and with the presence of Prof.s Sayyid Yadollah Yazdanpanah, Sayyid Mohammad Ali Ayazi and Dr. Hadi Sadeqi (2008).
2. The meeting on "the review of *The Paradoxical and the Hidden (Tanāquḍnamā wa Ghaybnumūn)*, with the presence of Dr. Mansour Nasiri and the author of the book, Dr. Mohammad Amin Ahmadi (2008).
3. The meeting on "Research Approaches in Theology" with the presence of Dr. Mohammad Reza Beheshti (2008).
4. The meeting on "Civilizational Capacities of Theology" with the presence of Mohammad Taghi Sobhani (2016).
5. The meeting on "the review of *Nawbakhtian*" with the presence of Dr. Karbasi and the author of the book, Dr. Sayyid Ali Hosseinizadeh Khezrabad (2017).
6. An academic session on "The way of Introduction and investigation of the macro-project, The Theologian Teachings of Imamiyya" with the presence of Mohammad Taghi Sobhani (2016).

e) Published Works

1. The Language of Religion, Amir Abbas Alizamani, 1996.
2. Religion and New Prospects, Peter Alston, Milton Yinge and Mohammad Legenhausen, translated by Qolam Hossein Tavakoli, 1997.
3. Tanāquznumā (paradox) and Ghaybnumūn(unseen), a new glance at Miracle, Mohammad Amin Ahmadi, new edition in 2009 and 2011.
4. Religious Truth in Our Time, William Montgomery Watt, translated by Abulfazl Mahmoodi, 2000.
5. Tanzīh al-Anbīyā' wa al-A'imma (infallibility of prophets and Imams), Sharīf al-Murtaḍā 'Alam al-Hudā, research by Faris Hasun Karim, 2001.
6. A Critique of Non-Falsifiability of God, Askari Sulaymani Amiri, 2001.
7. The Straight Path, a Critique of Dr. Sorush's Interpretation on Religious Pluralism, Abbas Nikzad, the new edition, 2001.
8. A Letter that Was Left Unwritten, an analysis of the Hadith of "Pen and Paper", Qolamhossein Zeynali, 2002.
9. A Dialogue between Religions (the righteousness of the Prophet's companions), Mohammad Hassan Zamani, 2002.
10. The Will of God from the Perspective of Philosophers, Theologians and Narrators of Religious Hadiths, Ali Allah Bedashti, 2002.
11. Religious Experience and the Essence of Religion, Alireza Qa'eminia, 2002.
12. Immortality, Reza Akbari, 2003.
13. Causality from the Perspective of Muslim Theologians, Einollah Khademi, 2003.
14. An Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion, David A. Palin, a group of translators, edited by Sayyid Mahmud Musavi, 2004.
15. Fideism, Reza Akbari, 2005.
16. The Theological Interpretation of Ayah Noor (the verse of light), Mahdi Alizadeh, 2005.

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مؤمن الطاق

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عبدالمجید اعتصامی

17. Man's Expectation from Religion, Mohammad Amin Ahmadi, 2005.
18. Reason and the Heart, William Wainwright, translated by Muhammad Hadi Shahab, 2006.
19. Rationality and Religion, Roger Trigg, translated by Hasan Qanbari, 2006.
20. Ontological Argument, Jonathan Barnes, translated by Ahmad Dayyani, 2007.
21. The Twelve successors, a study of the Hadith of Twelve Caliphs (successors), Qolam-hossein Zeynali, 2007.
22. Mystical teachings from the viewpoint of Imam Ali (As), Mohammad Amin Sadeqi Arzegani, 2008.
23. A Return to Traditional Foundationalism, Richard Fumerton, Translated by Reza Sadeqi, 2008.
24. Perfect Man from the Perspective of Imam Khomeini, Mohammad Amin Sadeq ArzegAani, 2009.
25. Hishām Ibn Ḥakam, Alireza As'adi, 2009.
26. The Proof of the Sincere in Islamic Philosophy, Saeedeh Sadat Nabavi, 2010.

27. Islam and Christianity, William Montgomery Watt, Translated by Khalil Qanbari, 2010.

28. The Justification of Belief, Yes or No? Muhammad Ali Mobini, 2010.

29. Seyyed Razi, Alireza As'adi, 2011.

30. Seyyed Morteza, Alireza As'adi, 2012.

31. Divine wisdom or purposeful creation, Amir Shirzad, 2012.

32. Reason and Text from the Viewpoint of Ibn Hazm Andulusi (a critical approach), Wahid Safari, 2013.

33. Nawbakhtian, Sayyid Ali Hosseini Zadeh Khezrabad, 2014.

34. Mu'min al-Ṭāq, Akbar Aghvam Karbasi, 2014.

35. Ibn Qiba al-Rāzī, Abbas Mirzaei, 2015.

36. Shaykh Ṣadūq, Sayyid Hassan Taleqani, 2015.

37. The Rationality of Religious Belief, Mohammad Ali Mobini, 2015.

38. Zayd Ibn Alī, Abdolmajid Etesami, 2016.

39. Reason and Faith from the viewpoint of Søren Kierkegaard, Yahya Nosrati, 2016.

Prospects

In collaboration with the Center of Deepening the Religious Faith and Beliefs, the Department of Islamic Theology has tried to design and approve two other macro-projects, titled "Applied Theology," and "The Critique of New Apostatical Movements" along with its two current macro-projects, "The History of Imami Theology," and "Reason and Religion". These macro-projects are presented based on the needs of the Islamic community and the necessity for adjustment of scholarly activities and projects in this scope and of course, in 2019, plans and projects will be assigned to interested researchers.

Also, by holding a conference entitled "Sufism, Parameters and Reviews" in May 2018 , the Theology Department intends to organize the presented projects and research to this conference in the form of academic papers and plans to publish the selected papers in the form of "a collection of papers".

The group intends to hold two promotional sessions with the following titles in the near future in order to present the latest academic achievements of the members of the group and their scholarly activities.

1. A promotional session on Review of the Problem "Suffering in the Theory of Spirituality and Rationality" which is going to be presented by Dr. Sayyid Mohammad Akbarian.

2. A promotional session on "Ontological and Semantic Transformations of Divine Will in Imami Theology" which is going to be presented by Dr. Akbar Aqvam Karbasi.

Department of Ethics

Our general understanding of morality reflects the rules guiding our behavior. But careful consideration of this human dimension leads to complex issues that account for a large amount of philosophical and theoretical research. Considering the importance of ethical issues in human life and the extent of the theoretical debates of this field in various aspects of normative ethics and metaethics, in particular the importance of applied ethics, the Research Center for Philosophy and Islamic Theology pursues scholarly research on this subject through the formation of the Department of Ethics Department and tries to enhance Islamic research in the field of ethics through dealing with common issues in ethics, defining the macro-research projects, forming academic groups, holding meetings and publishing research and reliable works. At present, the macro-project of "theories of ethics" is active and in the near future the macro-project of "the morality of death and life" in the field of applied ethics and "epistemology of ethics" in the domain of metaethics will be carried out. The projects in the Department of Ethics Department have been organized in the form of macro-projects, approved proposals for intellectual and cultural centers in Islamic Propagation Office of Qom Seminary, compilation and translation of thematic monographs as well as holding academic meetings and dialogues.

a) Macro-projects

The macro-project of "theories of ethics (normative ethics)":

Normative ethics is one of the main and important branches of Department of Ethics which seeks to find out ethical criteria of moral propositions. Various theories have been presented in this regard, some of which are the most important ones to be addressed in this project: deontologism, teleologism, virtue ethics and ethics of rights.

Active projects in this macro-project

1. Virtue ethics according to Michael Slote's tradition, Mostafa Azadian.
2. Virtue ethics from the perspective of Aristotle and Miskawayh, Ali Akbar Alizadeh.

b) Macro-projects in progress

1. Moral realism, Behrooz Mohammadi
2. Moral self-deception, Javad Danesh.
3. The Ethical Rationality of Living, Mostafa Azadian
4. Virtue Ethics According to Michael Slote's tradition, Mostafa Azadian.
5. Applied Ethics, Peter Singer, translated

and prepared by Alireza Alebuyeh.
6. Moral Relativism, David Wang, translated and prepared by Alireza Alebuyeh and Mahmood Fathali.
7. The Impact of the Belief in Imamate on the Meaning of Life, Mostafa Azadian
8. The Critique and Review of Purposeful Description of Islamic Ethics, Alireza Alebuyeh.
9. Principled Solutions for Moral and Spiritual Development from the viewpoint of Islamic Doctrines, Mohammad Ali Mobini.
10. Department of Ethics of Marriage (the critique of arguments for Immorality of marriage), Alireza Alebuyeh.

Meetings and Sessions

1. The critique and review of the book *The Concept of Ought and is, a discussion of value and reality*, Dr. Mohsen Javadi, with the presence of Mostafa Malekian, 2001.
2. "The Nature of Knowledge", Dr. Mohammd Ali Mobini, (Institute for Humanities and Cultural Studies), 2010.
3. "The Nature of Belief", Dr. Mohammd

Ali Mobini, (Institute for Humanities and Cultural Studies), 2010.

4. "A New Answer to The Problem of Evil Using the Quranic Teachings", Dr. Mohammd Ali Mobini, (The Supreme Council of Islamic Wisdom), 2014.

5. "Semantic Thoughts on the truth of moral value", Dr. Mohammd Ali Mobini, (The Supreme Council of Islamic Wisdom), 2014.

6. "The Epistemic Role of Falling into the Earth in Consolidating the Relationship between Man and God (an answer to the problem of evil from the viewpoint of The Holy Quran), Dr. Mohammd Ali Mobini, Critics: Dr.Mohammad Legenhausen, Dr. Mohammad Saeedi Mehr, (ISCA), 2014.

7. "Semantic Slip in Ethical Theories", Dr. Mohammd Ali Mobini, (The Supreme Council of Islamic Wisdom), 2015.

8. "Mentally Established Understanding in Islamic Thought and Western Thought", Dr. Mohammd Ali Mobini ,(The Supreme Council of Islamic Wisdom), 2015.

9. "Semantic Slip in Ethical Theories", Dr. Mohammd Ali Mobini, (The Supreme Council of Islamic Wisdom), critic: Prsof.

Mirsepah, (al-Zahra University), 2015.

10. "The Methodology of Discussion in the Theory of Value", Dr. Mohammd Ali Mobini, (ISCA), 2015.

11. "How prayer affects the individual and society's moral health" Dr. Mohammd Ali Mobini, (Qom University), 2016.

12. "The Proportion and Compatibility of Concrete Existence as the Origin of Values", Dr. Mohammd Ali Mobini, Critics: Mohsen Javadi and Dr. Mohammad Taqi Sobhani, (Qom University), 2017.

13. A promotional session on "The Immorality of Miscarriage on the basis of Embryo's State as a Divine Gift", Dr. Alireza Alebuyeh, critics: Dr. Mohammad Taqi Eslami and Dr. Sayyid Mahmood Tayyeb Hosseini, (ISCA), 2016.

14. A promotional session on "Abortion From the perspective of Ethical Theology", Dr. Alireza Alebuyeh, critics: Dr. Reza Eslami and Dr. Mohammad Sadeq Yousefi Moghadam, (al-Zahra University), 2016.
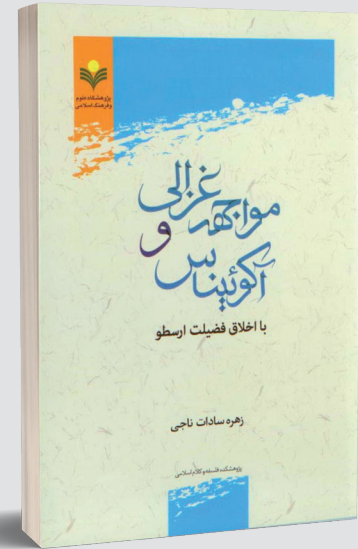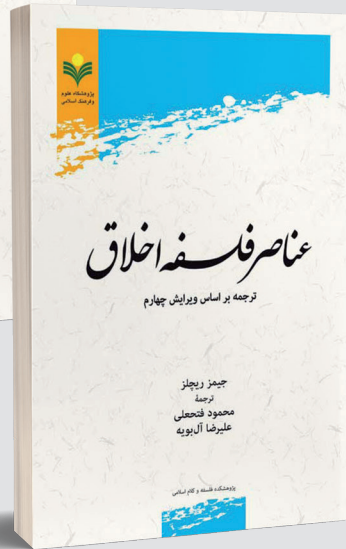
Projects in Press:
1. Justification of Moral Beliefs, Behrooz Mohammadi.
2. Moral Responsibility, Javad Danesh.
3. Abortion from the Perspective of Ethical Theology, Alireza Alebuyeh.

Central Projects:
1. The Impact of the Belief in Imamates on the Meaning of Life, Mostafa Azadian.
2. Principled Solutions for Moral and Spiritual Development from the Viewpoint of Islamic Doctrines, Mohammad Ali Mobini.
3. Department of Ethics of Marriage (the critique of arguments for Immorality of marriage), Alireza Alebuyeh.

Published Works:
1. The Concept of Ought and Is, a discussion of value and reality, Mohsen Javadi, 1996.
2. Philosophy of Ethics in the Twentieth Century, Mary Warnock, translated and annotated by Abolghasem Fanaei, 2001.
3. Kant's Theory of Morals, Bruce Aune, translated by Alireza Alebuyeh, 2002.
4. Christian Ethics, Ralph McInerny, translated by Mohammad Suri and Esmaeil Alikhani, 2007.
5. Moral Problems, Michael Palmer, translated by Alireza Alebuyeh, 2011.
6. Principles of Ethics, George Edward Moore, translated by Ali Asgari and Qolam Hossein Tavakoli, 2011.
7. Kant's Deontological Ethics, Hossein Atrak, 2013.
8. Three Objections to Moral Science, Alasdair Macintyre, translated by Hamid Shahriari, 2013.
9. Religion and Ethics, Javad Danesh, 2013.
10. The Elements of Department of Ethics, James Rachals, translated by Alireza Alebuyeh and Mahmood Fathali, 2013.
11. Ghazali and Aquinas in Dealing with Aristotle's Virtue Ethics, Zohreh Sadat Naji, 2017.
13. Justification of Moral Beliefs, Behrooz Mohammadi Monfared.
14. Moral Responsibility, Javad Danesh, 2017.

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Prospects

The Moral Philosophy Department is going to consider the following projects in a near future:

1. Moral Philosophy of Marriage (the critique of arguments for Immorality of marriage).
2. The Critique and Review of Purposeful Description of Islamic Ethics.
3. The Impact of the Belief in Imamate on the Meaning of Life,

In a near future, the Moral Philosophy Department will hold two promotional sessions with the following titles:

1. Promotional sessions on "Critique of Prof. Misbah's Moral Theory", which is going to be presented by Dr. Mohammd Ali Mobini in December 2018.
2. Promotional sessions on "Arguments for Moral Living" which is going to be presented by Dr. Mostafa Azadian in November 2018.

Also, by holding a conference entitled "Islamic Science and Its Use in the System of Education" in October 2018 , The Moral Philosophy Department intends to organize the presented projects and research to this conference in the form of academic papers and publish the selected papers in the form of "a collection of papers".

It should be noted RCIPT tries to keep its research updated by new editing, and by reviewing the updated philosophical and theological issues and problems and evaluating its relevance to the work published in this research center. The books *The Straight Path, a Critique of Straight Paths*" authored by Abbas Nikzad, "*Perfect Man from the Perspective of Imam Khomeini*" by Mohammad Amin Sadeq Orezgani and *Tanāquznumā (paradox) and Ghaybnumūn(unseen)*" by Mohammad Amin Ahmadi have been published in this regard.

Cooperation

One of the main policies of the research center consists inconstructive interactions with academic and seminary centers in order to achieve major research goals and to perform the assigned missions. Efforts to communicate and interact with scholars and intellectuals and to use their abilities and achievements in the field of Islamic philosophy, theology and mysticism, benefiting from the achievements of human science and knowledge, along with a critical attitude to its shortcomings and its inconsistencies with Islamic thought, establishing a forum for dialogue or council between thinkers and intellectuals, have always been part of the research center's plans and objectives. To achieve these goals, there have been numerous collaborations and interactions with academic and seminary centers.

These collaborations include bilateral visits, shared projects and holding academic meetings, holding national and international conferences and specialized, critical, and theorizing sessions. Some of the centers with which the research center has been working are:
Center for Management of Islamic Seminaries
The Supreme Council of Islamic Wisdom
Samt Organization
University of Tehran
Institute for Cognitive Science Studies

Allameh Tabataba'i University
University of Qom
Baqir al-Olum University
Al-Zahra University
Seminary Teacher Training Center for Women
Research Institute of Hawzah (seminary) and University
Islamic Research Institute for Culture and Thought
Dar al-Hadith Scientific Cultural Institute
and so on.

The Conference on "Human, Society and Health" in collaboration with University of Qom.

Naqd va Nazar

A Journal of Philosophy and Theology

Naqd Va Nazar is a familiar journal in the field of philosophy and theology, which tries to improve the study of religion by raising new problems and novel needs, thinking profoundly and reflectively. The aim of this journal is to expose new perspectives and scholarly critiques in the domain of philosophy and religion to the educated readers and to be a serious battlefield for the votes, ideas, reviews and critiques of the thoughts.

a) Goals

- Deepening and enhancing philosophical-theological research
- Identifying new issues in the field of philosophy, theology and religion
- Presenting rational and narrative critiques on the views and perspectives of intellectuals
- Finding answers for philosophical and theological questions from the viewpoint of religion
- Rationalizing and deepening the religious thought and bringing religion into the realm of practical and real life

b) Policies

- Emphasis on compiled papers
- Considering the background and level of understanding of the journal's readers
- Exchanging the ideas between thinkers and intellectuals
- Innovation and modernity and emphasis on theorization and producing thought
- Avoiding intellectual narcissism, bigotry, dogmatism, fanaticism, prejudice, superstition and eclecticism

The sort of special perspective, the scientific strength and the new approach that *Naqd Va Na-*

zar has adopted in raising important and controversial issues in the field of philosophy and theology, has attracted the attention of many theoreticians, university and seminary professors, and researchers in the realm of philosophy and religion and it has been recognized as the best and preferred journal in two Press Festivals. So far, 86 issues of *Naqd Va Nazar* have been published, some of which have been allocated to novel and important topics in the form of independent special journal.

c) List of special issues

- The Foundations of Ijtihad
- The rational defense of religion (1)
- The rational defense of religion (2)
- The role of time and place in Ijtihad
- Mysticism and philosophy of Imam Khomeini (pbuh)
- Religious experience (1)
- Religious experience (2)
- Human expectation from the religion
- Political culture
- Theology in our time
- Religion and rationality
- Philosophy of Islamic jurisprudence
- Ethics and religion
- Traditionalists
- Tradition and modernism (1)
- Tradition and modernism (2)
- Religious experience (2)
- Religion and rationality (1)
- Religion and rationality (2)
- The meaning of life (1)
- The meaning of life (2)
- Religion and mental health (1)
- Religion and mental health (2)
- Usul (Principles of Islamic jurisprudence) and linguistic sciences (1)
- Usul (Principles of Islamic jurisprudence) and linguistic sciences (2)
- Islamic philosophy; its nature
- Islamic philosophy; dynamism and constancy
- The ontological argument
- The philosophy of mind (1)
- The philosophy of mind (2)
- The Theology of Imamiyya (1)
- The Theology of Imamiyya (2)
- The Theology of Imamiyya (3)
- Theology and Civilization (1)
- Theology and Civilization (2)
- Theology and Civilization (3)
- Social justice

Journal of Mind Studies

Journal of Naqd va Nazar

Information
Technology

Due to the importance of presence in social media, RCIPT has in recent years had a strong determination to actively participate in cyberspace. The RCIPT website is one of the most important specialized websites in the field of theology and philosophy, which is known as a reference base for scholars and professors in three areas of theology, philosophy and moral philosophy. At this website, news and information about the research center's philosophical and theological conferences are provided and over 60 academic sessions have been shared whose audio and written files are provided for the interested. Also, given the fact that valuable files about academic and philosophical meetings have been given to this research center, the research center has published them on social media and has provided interested audiences with the files on some of the websites and social networks including, Aparat, 4shared, Namasha, Mihanvideo, Google plus, Telegram etc. In addition, the research center's Telegram channel is one of the best channels in the field of theology and philosophy whose members are also faculty members of research centers, universities, religious institutes and prominent professors in Iran. On this channel, the latest related topics in the field of theology and philosophy are loaded:

Some of the research center's websites and pages on social media:

1. The research center's channel for Islamic philosophy and theology, @philtheo
2. The telegram channel for the conference" The immortality of Islam and Christianity(2)", @soul
3. The telegram channel for the conference" the Theory of Islamic Science", @Islamicscience2018
4. The website for the conference" The immortality of Islam and Christianity(2)", http://seminars.ir/soul

Boards of Honors

Award-winning works:

- **Award-winning works in Seminary Year Book Festival**: *Tanāquznumā (paradox) and Ghaybnumūn (unseen), a new glance at Miracle*, Mohammad Amin Ahmadi, 1999. *The Nature of the Universality and Necessity, a research in philosophy of logic*, Askari Soleimani Amiri, 1999. *A Critique of Non-Falsifiability of God*, Askari Sulaymani Amiri, 2001. *Mystical teachings from the viewpoint of Imam Ali (As),* Mohammad Amin Sadeqi Arzegani, 2006.

- **Qualified for appreciation in the Islamic Republic of Iran Year Book Festival:** *Reason and the Heart*, William Wainwright, translated by Muhammad Hadi Shahab, 2006. *Hishām Ibn Ḥakam*, Alireza As'adi, 2009.

- **The Islamic Republic of Iran Season Book**: *Hishām Ibn Ḥakam*, Alireza As'adi, 2009.

- **Qualified for appreciation in The Islamic Republic of Iran Season Book:** *Sayyid Murtaḍā*, Alireza As'adi, 2012.

1. **Selected in Student Year Book Festival**:

The Concept of Ought and Is, a discussion on value and reality, Mohsen Javadi, 1996. *The Language of Religion*, Amir Abbas Alizamani, 1996. *The Foundations of Christian Philosophy*, Etienne Gilson, translated by Mohammad Mohammad Rezaei and Sayyid Mahmood Musavi, 1996. *Fallacies*, Ali Asghar Khandan, 2002. *Metaphysics*, Richard Taylor, translated and annotated by Mohammad Javad Rezaei, 2002. *Moral Problems*, Michael Palmer, translated by Alireza Alebuyeh, 2010.

- **The selected work in the Congress of Iranian Religious Researchers:** *Tanāquznumā (paradox) and Ghaybnumun(unseen), a new glance at Miracles*, Mohammad Amin Ahmadi, 1999**.** *A Critique of Non-Falsifiability of God*, Askari Sulaymani Amiri, 2001. *Immortality*, Reza Akbari, 2003**.** *Man's Expectation from Religion*, Mohammad Amin Ahmadi, 2003.

- **Selected for the Second Festival of Teacher Book Selection:** *Causality from the Perspective of Muslim Theologians*, Einollah Khademi, 2003.

1. **Appreciated in The Student Year Book**

Festival: *Religious Truth in Our Time*, William Montgomery Watt, translated by Abulfazl Mahmoodi, 2001.

- **Selected in Shaykh Tusi Festival:** *Perfect Man from the Perspective of Imam Khomeini*, Mohammad Amin Sadeq Arzegani, 2004.

- **Selected in the Festival of Selected work in the domain of Imam Khomeini and Islamic Republic of Iran:** *Perfect Man from the Perspective of Imam Khomeini*, Mohammad Amin Sadeq Arzegani, 2007.

- **Certificate of appreciation in the 10ᵗʰ round of Student Year book Festival:** for the compilation of the book, *The Rationality of Religious Belief from the viewpoint of Alvin Plantinga*, Mohammad Ali Mobini".

- **Qualified for appreciation in the 14ᵗʰ round of the Season Book Festival (summer, 2010):** *Justification of Belief, Yes or No?* a review of William Alston's perspectives, Muhammad Ali Mobini.

- **Qualified for appreciation in the 12ᵗʰ round of the Seminary Year Book (2010):** PhD dissertation with title "The epistemic validity of religious belief based

on Alston's new approach to the issue of justification", Muhammad Ali Mobini.

- **Qualified for appreciation in the Best Research and Religion Book Festival (2016):** *Nawbakhtian,* Dr. Sayyid Ali Hosseinizadeh Khezrabad (2016).
- **Selected in the Creed of Reason Festival in ISCA (2007):** *Moral Problems*, Alireza Alebuyeh.
- **Qualified for appreciation in the Philosophy of Ethics National Conference (2015):** The paper "*Good Samaritan and the permissibility of Abortion*", Alireza Alebuyeh (In collaboration with another author).
- The paper "*the Study and Review of Warren's Utilitarian Reasons for the permissibility of Abortion*", Alireza Alebuyeh (In collaboration with another author).
- **Selected in the seventh International Farabi Festival (2014):** the research work "Abortion from an Ethical point of view" was granted as the third selected work in the scientific department of philosophy, theology, ethics, religions and mysticism.
- **Qualified for appreciation in the Seminary Year Book (2013)**: The dissertation "Abortion from an Ethical point of view", Alireza Alebuyeh.
- **Qualified for appreciation in the Seminary Year Book (2014)**: *The Elements of Moral Philosophy*, James Rachaels, Alireza Alebuyeh.
- **Qualified for appreciation in the 14th round of Season Book Festival (summer, 2010):** for the compilation of the book" Justification of Belief, Yes or No*?* a review of William Alston's perspectives", Muhammad Ali Mobini.
- **The first place for the selected researcher in ISCA in 2011:** Muhammad Ali Mobini.
- **The third place for the selected researcher in ISCA in 2015:** Muhammad Ali Mobini.
- The best paper in the International Conference of Ethics and Religions (2012): *Abortion from an Ethical point of view*, Alireza Alebuyeh.