

# TRAINING CATALOGUE

Learning and Development for the Muslim Community



"The seeking of knowledge is an obligation upon every Muslim."

-Prophet Muhammad SAW

Welcome to the Sound Vision Canada Training Catalogue! At Sound Vision Canada, we are committed to elevating the Muslim community through high-quality professional development opportunities. Our training programs equip educators and not-for-profit leaders with the skills they need to excel in their roles in ways pleasing to Allah (SWT). We invite you to explore our offerings and join us in this journey of learning, growth, and impact.

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# Sound Vision Canada

### Equip Elevate Energize

Sound Vision Canada is a registered charity working to cultivate excellence in the Muslim community for the sake of future generations, ultimately to serve our Creator.

#### On a Mission

To equip, elevate, and energize the Muslim community with quality training and resources

#### **We Envision**

Canadian Muslim change-makers enabled by personal and professional development



#### **TEACHER TRAINING**

Sound Vision Canada's teacher training opportunities are available both in-person and online, led by professionals in the fields of education and child development. Through an Islamic lens, the specialized sessions equip teachers with practical strategies to create impactful learning environments. We're training educators so that children attending Islamic school:

- Comes with a workbook!
- 1. Develop a love for Allah (SWT) and connection to our deen.
- 2. Feel a strong bond with their caring teachers.
- 3. Want to continue attending Islamic school!

#### **Bringing Joy to the Classroom**

**Delivery mode:** In person **Duration:** 2 Days **Certification**: Yes

Sound Vision Canada's two-day teacher training program offers interactive sessions led by experts, covering essential topics such as the spiritual preparation of the teacher, nurturing the whole child, building a positive classroom culture, and designing engaging lessons. The training environment includes peer learning and practical activities to enhance teaching effectiveness, build inclusive classrooms, and develop creative lessons, all while reflecting on the prophetic teaching model.

#### The 5 Cs of Child Development

**Delivery mode:** Online **Duration:** 5 sessions **Certification:** Yes

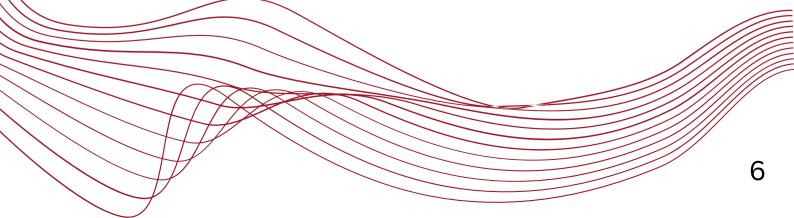
This recorded five-part online training, led by child development expert Dr. Fadwa Elashi, explores key aspects of a child's development—spiritual, language, cognitive, social, and emotional. Educators will learn practical strategies to nurture faith, strengthen communication, enhance critical thinking, foster collaboration, and build confidence in young learners.

#### **Providing a Path to Ihsan:**

How to Teach Islamic Studies Effectively to Every Age Level

**Delivery mode:** Online **Duration:** 5 sessions **Certification:** Yes

This recorded five-part online series, led by award-winning educator Abir Catovic, is designed to enhance the effectiveness of Islamic Studies educators from kindergarten to high school. It provides a framework for teaching Islamic concepts at appropriate developmental stages, ensuring students build a strong, meaningful connection with their faith.



#### **ONLINE WORKSHOPS**

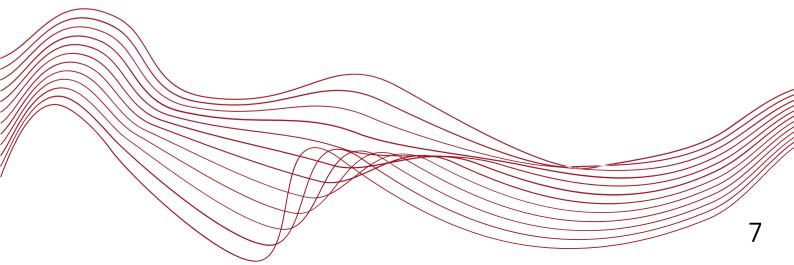
Sound Vision Canada has conducted a variety of online workshops for teachers that remain accessible through recordings and supplementary resources. These include:

The Art of Storytelling - with Inas Abusheikha
How Can I Support the Learner's Cognitive
Development? - with Dr. Fadwa Elashi
Partnering with Parents - with Rola El-Roz
Integrating the Arts in Islamic Education - with Inas
Abusheikha

**Discovering Palestine in the Classroom** - with Uzma Ahmed

**Exploring Black Muslim History** - with Malika Harris

Interested parties may reach out to info@soundvisioncanada.org for further details.



# MEET THE TEACHER TRAINERS

Sound Vision Canada works exclusively with highly qualified professionals who bring expertise, practical experience, and a deep understanding of Islamic principles. Our teacher trainers are leaders in education and child development delivering engaging, research-backed, and faith-centred training to empower individuals and organizations.



#### **Abir Catovic**

Abir Catovic is a seasoned Islamic educator with experience in teaching, administration, and curriculum development. She has led Islamic and Qur'anic Studies programs and a Qur'an memorization initiative. A recipient of the Noor Kids Islamic Teacher Appreciation Award and the New Jersey Governor's Jefferson Award in Education, she currently serves as the Board Secretary of WISER and an advisor to the Moral Ecology Trust.



#### Dr. Fadwa Elashi

Dr. Fadwa Elashi has served as an assistant professor of developmental psychology with five years of experience teaching courses on educational psychology, learning through play, and child development. She has published several peerreviewed research articles in the field of child development. Her profound passion for fostering optimal and equitable learning environments for all children is what drove her to establish Nectar Education.





#### **Beena Ahmed**

Beena Ahmed has been an educator for 15 years and currently works with the Peel Board of Education. She holds a Master of Education in Curriculum & Pedagogy and Teacher Development from OISE. With experience in both teaching and school leadership, she is passionate about teacher professional growth and continues to work with organizations that promote lifelong learning in education.



#### **Malika Harris**

Malika Harris is an education advocate, college admissions advisor, and consultant with degrees in psychology, adult education, and social work. With more than 15 years of experience as an Islamic school teacher and guidance counselor, she now works at a large Ontario college. She is also the founder of S4E Academy. Malika's passion for antiracism advocacy and education motivates her to speak on the need for inclusion in the Muslim community.



#### Inas Abusheikha

Inas is a trilingual mother passionate about children's education and morally centred entertainment. She has been teaching for the past 15 years and is an experienced trainer on teaching second languages. Through Journey with Inas, she leads a variety of programs, courses for educators, and her Arabic educational children's show.



#### **Uzma Ahmed**

Uzma Ahmed, Director of Education and Training at the Institute of Integrated Knowledge, oversees the 5D Thinking Model, consultancy, and resource development. In the last 25 years, she has served as an educational consultant, researcher, curriculum designer, principal, and teacher trainer for schools around the world. Uzma also regularly writes educational materials focused on Islamic history and Tarbiyah.



#### **NOT-FOR-PROFIT BOARD TRAINING**

**Delivery mode:** In person or via Zoom

This interactive training program is designed to enhance governance skills for not-for-profit board members. Through expert-led sessions and real-life case studies, participants will gain practical insights into effective governance, board operations, financial literacy, and strategic planning. The training is structured to provide the know-how to strengthen organizational leadership and decision-making.

Sessions cover key areas such as board roles and responsibilities, committee functions, conflict of interest management, financial oversight, and strategic planning. Sound Vision Canada offers customizable training content to meet the unique needs of each organization, ensuring an impactful learning experience that supports long-term success.

**Certification:** Yes



**Dr. Trevor Hunter** 

Dr. Trevor Hunter is an associate professor of governance and management at King's University College, Western University. He has 25 years of experience as an educator, researcher, and consultant, including experience working with Muslim community leaders. Dr. Hunter currently serves as vice-chair and chair of the governance committee for Museum London.

## NOT-FOR-PROFIT MANAGEMENT WORKSHOPS

Delivery mode: In person or via Zoom

- Not-for-Profit & Charity Law: Governance and Compliance
- Media Spokesperson Skills Training
- Sustainable Fundraising in Disruptive Times
- Making Your Organization/Institution Accessible
- Marketing 101
- Social Media Strategies for Success
- Effective Volunteer Management
- Mentoring and Coaching in the NFP Sector
- Developing Robust Workplace Policies
- Media Relations: How to Create Positive "Newsworthy" Stories
- Event Planning Essentials

Interested parties may reach out to info@soundvisioncanada.org for further details.



#### PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Delivery mode: In person or via Zoom

- Islamic Leadership Skills
- Building & Leading Teams
- The Art of Delegation
- Life and Leadership Lessons from a Honeybee
- Developing a Growth Mindset
- Essentials of Effective Writing
- Writing to Influence
- Making of a Productive Muslim
- Public Speaking 101
- Speaking to Influence
- Sunnah of Time Management: The Prophet's Strategies
- Studying Quran: Practical Advice on Understanding & Reflection
- Ten Parenting Principles for Muslims
- Parenting Teenagers



Taha Ghayyur

Taha Ghayyur is a human rights advocate, a personal growth & leadership trainer, a writer, a Khatib, and President of Sound Vision Canada.

#### **CUSTOMIZED TRAINING**

We offer tailored training solutions for schools, masjids, and organizations seeking exclusive professional development programs. Our team works closely with you to design workshops or full training programs that align with your institution's unique needs. Whether it's educator training, leadership development, or community engagement, we can customize our offerings to maximize the impact.





### **TESTIMONIALS**

It was an incredibly powerful and inspiring lesson, filled with practical ideas that I am excited to implement with my students. The strategies and ideas shared have not only enriched my understanding but also motivated me to approach teaching with renewed creativity and purpose.

-Teacher training participant

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The presenter was so knowledgeable and easy to understand. This was the best training I have ever received with regards to board governance. Thank you for holding these events!

-NFP Board training attendee

I love what you guys are doing!
Please continue to have in person
sessions as well. I had no idea I
would love these sessions this much
when I first joined!

-Teacher training participant

I highly recommend Sound Vision Canada training to other not-for-profit organizations. The expertise and practical knowledge imparted through their programs are invaluable assets for any board seeking to improve its governance and strategic impact. The training not only elevated our skills but also unified our board with a shared vision and a clearer roadmap for achieving our goals.

-NFP Board training attendee

This two-day training was highly beneficial and exceeded expectations. The trainers' expertise, interactive approach, and inclusive environment

made for an exceptional learning experience. I would highly recommend this training to others seeking to enhance their skills.

-Teacher training participant

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