



M.T.O. SHAHMAGHSOUDI®



Maktab Tarighe Oveyssi Shahmaghsoudi, School of Islamic Sufism

Role:

Maktab Tarighe Oveyssi Shahmaghsoudi, (M.T.O. Shahmaghsoudi®), School of Islamic Sufism, is incorporated in the U.S. and Europe as a non-profit educational and religious organization. It has a 1400 year history that traces its lineage back to the time of Prophet Muhammad.

There are more than 400,000 members worldwide, and centers now exist in more than 20 countries. In the United States, sixteen states have centers and most major U.S. cities, including Chicago, Miami, Orlando, Tampa, St. Louis, Sacramento, Denver, Salt Lake City, Columbus, Albuquerque, Plainsboro, San Diego, Atlanta, Virginia Beach, Portland, Seattle, Dallas, Houston, San Antonio, Phoenix, and Washington D.C., plus multiple centers in the San Francisco Bay Area and in the greater Los Angeles area.

Mission:

The mission of M.T.O. Shahmaghsoudi is to teach its students to discover their hidden talents and abilities and to expand their perceptions. The essence of these teachings is in Sufism, which is a discipline, a method, and a way that teaches individuals how to attain their true state of dignity. To that end, the best way to describe Sufism is to say it is the School of Self Knowledge and a system of education that enables individuals to discover the reality of religion.

Purpose:

The purpose of M.T.O. Shahmaghsoudi is to teach individual Self-cognition and to ultimately attain a more peaceful world. Discovery of one's own true human dignity enables each person to see the dignity of others and respect their rights – the most fundamental basis for a true democratic society. In this realm, gender, race, class, ethnicity and other such aspects have no relevance. So the way to global peace is through the development of peaceful individuals who create peaceful communities and societies.

Expectations of Campus Organization:

We expect the campus organization to raise awareness about Sufism and its positive effects for the individual and society. To that end, we expect the campus organization to hold events and activities that will promote Sufi principles of tolerance, unity, love, and peace.