

The Role of the Young Generation in Maintaining Islamic Values Amidst Globalization

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ARTICLE INFO	ABSTRACT
Volume: 4 ISSN: 2963-5489 KEYWORD Young Generation, Islamic Values, Globalization, Islamic Education, Technology, Spirituality.	Globalization brings significant changes to various aspects of life, including culture and religious values. The young Muslim generation faces major challenges in maintaining Islamic values amid the strong influx of foreign culture and modernization. This journal discusses the important role of the young generation in preserving Islamic values by integrating education, the use of technology, critical thinking, and spirituality. Through a multidimensional approach, the younger generation can act as agents of preservation and renewal of Islamic values to keep them relevant and alive in the global era.

1. Introduction

Globalization, as a phenomenon that crosses geographical and cultural boundaries, has a profound impact on modern society. For the young Muslim generation, globalization offers easy access to knowledge and technology but also presents challenges in maintaining their Islamic identity and teachings (Aditya et al., 2024:2591). The spread of popular culture, often conflicting with Islamic principles, creates a dilemma between following global cultural trends or staying true to religious teachings passed down through generations (Fiqri, Hamelia Putri & Putri Septiana, 2023). Therefore, the younger generation plays a crucial role as guardians and preservers of Islamic values amid the changing dynamics of the times.

2. Literature Review

In order to shield the next generation from the detrimental effects of globalization, Islamic education is essential. A thorough Islamic education program imparts Islamic principles and values that are applicable in daily life in addition to religious rites (Aulia Herawati et al. 2025:374). Through a thorough understanding of Islamic teachings, the younger generation is more equipped to behave in line with religious ideals, such as justice, honesty, and social concern that are pertinent to today's issues (Aulia Herawati et al. 2025:378). Additionally, Islamic education gives students a critical mindset toward non-Islamic cultures, which helps them identify and select cultural influences carefully (Aditya et al. 2024:2593).

3. Methodology

The qualitative descriptive literature review approach was used to perform this study. Data on the role of the younger generation and Islamic values in the context of globalization were gathered from a variety of scholarly publications, books, and pertinent articles. Information pertaining to education, technology, and spirituality in upholding Islamic ideals was examined in order to interpret the findings.

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4. Results and Discussion

In the age of globalization, young Muslims are increasingly using digital technology and social media to spread and uphold Islamic principles. Religious themes are being artistically and graphically communicated on platforms like Instagram, YouTube, and TikTok in a way that appeals to young people. The issue of global cultural dominance, which frequently contains ideals at odds with Islam, is addressed in this way (Fiqri, Hamelia Putri & Putri Septiana 2023:1097-1098).

Additionally, preserving the next generation's adherence to Islamic beliefs depends heavily on spiritual development. In the face of the detrimental effects of the contemporary world, religious practices like prayer, reading the Quran, and dhikr (remembering God) develop into habits that strengthen mental and emotional fortitude. This spiritual bulwark improves the capacity to make judgments in line with Islamic ideals and builds character resilience against worldly temptations, in addition to strengthening the individual's relationship with Allah SWT (Aulia Herawati et al. 2025:375).

However, a significant barrier is the identity problem brought on by hedonism, materialism, and individualism, which has gotten worse in the age of globalization. Many young people are starting to lose their sense of purpose and confidence in traditional Islamic principles as a result of being affected by this culture. A rejuvenation of Islamic education that incorporates moral and scientific elements while meeting the expectations of today's youth is one way to adapt and rehabilitate this situation (Rani Jutia Anggraini, et al. 2025:173).

Integrating Islamic principles into both official and informal education curricula is a crucial tactic to ensure that the next generation not only comprehends Islamic teachings textually but also knows how to apply them in dynamic social and cultural circumstances. It is anticipated that this strategy will result in a younger generation that is not only ritually religious but also has strong social character, can engage with the world in a constructive way, and can filter all modern innovations without losing its Islamic identity (Siti Yumnah 2015:12).

Overall, the study's findings show that the younger generation's contribution to preserving Islamic principles goes beyond just adhering to norms; it also entails actual change brought about by the use of contemporary media, spiritual empowerment, and relevant and adaptable education. The ability of these elements to work together is essential for overcoming the constantly changing obstacles posed by globalization.

5. Conclusion

By maximizing Islamic education, making responsible use of technology, and fostering spirituality, the younger generation plays a crucial role in upholding Islamic ideals in the age of globalization. They have the ability to effect change by making sure Islamic principles are current and responsive to contemporary needs.

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