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Question: I am a Muslim woman who wants to become a doctor. However, people discourage it because I will have to go to a co-ed college and they say that I will be intermingling with men there. But there are no all-girls colleges in my area and my goal is to serve the sisters in my community. I am married and I do not seek to mingle with men. What is the ruling for this?

Answer: The woman preserving her honour and her dignity is more binding upon her than her learning a science that obligates her to intermingle with men. It also endangers her character and manner and it is more binding upon her that she stays away from this intermingling. If it is possible that she can keep her hijab and stay firm upon her Deen and find somewhere to learn where there is no intermingling with the men then alhamdulillah there is nothing wrong with this. As for her leaving her hijab (veil) and mixing with the men in order to learn something that is permissible (Medicine), then this is not permissible. In this situation it is not even considered permissible for her to study this as she will be required to do things that are haraam.

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