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The role of ethics in effectiveness of interdisciplinary Quranic studies

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The comparison of present status of interdisciplinary approach in Quran researches with its favourable status requires a systematic research. But, through a glance, three choices can be distinguished: Correspondence which is a self-obsequious perspective, gap and distance which is an unbiased and realistic perspective, and conflict which is realistic and impartial. This issue drives us to reflect upon obstacles in front of development of Quran interdisciplinary studies. These obstacles can be classified into three groups: conceptual, technical and behavioural. Our image of interdisciplinary studies and its definition are examples of conceptual obstacles. In this study we discuss behavioural obstacles from ethical point of view. Interdisciplinary requires generative interaction between fields of studies and different researchers. The fundamental component of this interaction is communication. Promoting communication from “action relation” and unilateral (one way) level to “two way process” and beyond that, “transaction” (transactional relation), can pave the ground for interdisciplinary studies. Transactional relation has an important role in effectiveness of interdisciplinary Quran studies, in many ways: in terms of the researcher relation with Quran, and in terms of relationship between the researchers, and also in terms of interactive between different areas which have important role in interdisciplinary Quran studies. The productivity of action relation requires professional ethics. The elements of professional ethics in interdisciplinary studies are: belief ethics, research ethics, and interpretation ethics. Belief ethics prevents a person from reductionism and methodological Exclusivism, from hasty satisfaction to a hasty understanding, and attracts the person towards methodological pluralism and more attempts to getting closer to the reality. Research ethics promotes interactions between the researchers. And interpretation ethics organizes the interaction between researchers and Quran. Accordingly, professional ethics in three aspects: belief ethics, research ethics, and interpretation ethics are prerequisites of interdisciplinary researches in Quran sciences.