

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

Brandeis University, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Waltham, MA

Ph.D., Arabic and Islamic Civilizations, Department of Near Eastern and Judaic Studies, 2018

Winner: *Nahum and Anne Glatzer Endowed Dissertation Prize*

Honors: *Andrew W. Mellon Dissertation Fellow*

M.A., Women's and Gender Studies and Near Eastern and Judaic Studies, 2012 – 2014

Honors: *Humanities Commencement Speaker*

Harvard University, M.Div. with a focus on Islam, Cambridge, MA, 2008 – 2011

Honors: *President and Fellows of Harvard College Presidential Scholar*

Princeton University, B.A. *Summa cum laude*, Near Eastern Studies, Princeton NJ, 2003 – 2008

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Islam and Monotheism. Cambridge Elements Series in Religion and Monotheism. Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press, 2022 (*October release*)

Women and Gender in the Qur'an. New York: Oxford University Press, 2020.

Winner: 2021 Association of Middle East Women's Studies Book Award

Featured Title: 2022 Women's History Month, American Academy of Religion

*Oxford University Press is in negotiation for an Arabic translation

*Reviewed by *American Academy of Religion: Reading Religion, Horizons* (Cambridge University Press), *Studies in Religion, Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion* (roundtable review), *Women's History Review*, and *Islamicate Book Reviews* (video review), among others.

One Nation, Indivisible: Seeking Liberty and Justice from the Pulpit to the Streets. Editor. Eugene, OR: Wipf and Stock Publishers, 2019.

Featured Title, excerpts published in *Harvard Divinity Bulletin* (Spring/Summer, 2019)

* Reviewed in *Journal of Interreligious Studies, Convergence Magazine*, among others.

* Book talks at Brown University, Princeton University, Yale Divinity School, and others

Essays in Edited Volumes and Festschriften

"Children and Parents in the Qur'an and Premodern Islamic Jurisprudence." In *Religious Perspectives on Reproductive Ethics*, co-authored with Janan Delgado, edited by Dena Davis. New York: Oxford University Press, [in press].

- “Simulation-based Pedagogy for Interreligious Literacy: Critical Thinking Exercises for Teens and Young Adults.” In *Georgetown Companion to Interreligious Studies*, edited by Lucinda Mosher, 396–407. Washington, DC: Georgetown University Press, 2022.
- “Teaching Pluralism and Raising Conscience: Lessons from a High School Classroom.” In *Deep Understanding for Divisive Times: Essays in Celebration of Ten Years of the Journal of Interreligious Studies*, edited by Mary Elizabeth Moore, Lucinda Mosher, Or Rose, and Axel Takacs, 120–25. Newton Center, MA: Interreligious Studies Press, 2020.
- “Verse 4:34: Abjure Symbolic Violence, Rebuff Feminist Partiality, or Seek Another Hermeneutic?” In *Muslim Women and Gender Justice: Concepts, Sources, and Histories*, edited by Dina El Omari, Juliane Hammer, and Mouhanad Khorchide, 170–82. New York: Routledge, 2020.
- “*Surat al-‘Alaq* and Dispositions for Interreligious Engagement.” In *Words to Live by: Sacred Sources for Interreligious Engagement*, edited by Or Rose, Homayra Zaid, and Soren Hessler, 82–92. Maryknoll, NY: Orbis, 2018.
- “Sexual Violence and Qur’anic Resources for Healing Processes.” In *Sexual Violence and Sacred Texts*, edited by Amy Kalmanofsky, 75–93. Cambridge, MA: Feminist Studies in Religion, 2017.
- “Family Law Reform, Spousal Relations, and the ‘Intentions of Islamic Law.’” In *Women’s Rights and Religious Law: Domestic and International Perspectives*, edited by Fareda Banda and Lisa Fishbayn Joffe, 108–22. New York: Routledge, 2016.
- “Ummah at the Intersection of Identities.” In *Religious Identity and Renewal in the Twenty-First Century: Jewish, Christian and Muslim Explorations*, edited by Michael Trice and Simone Sinn, 171–86. Leipzig: The Lutheran World Federation, 2015.
- “Gendering Ritual: A Muslima’s Reading of the Laws of Menstrual Preclusion.” In *Muslima Theology: The Voices of Muslim Women Theologians*, edited by Elif Mendeni, Ednan Aslan, and Marcia Hermansen, 167–79. Frankfurt am Main: Peter Lang, 2013.
- “Religion, Gender, and Family Law: Critical Perspectives on Integration for European Muslims.” In *Applying Sharia in the West: Facts, Fears and the Future of Islamic Rules on Family Relations in the West*, co-authored with Zainab Alwani, edited by Maurits S. Berger, 227–40. Debates on Islam and Society Series. Leiden: Leiden University Press, 2013.
- “Modern and Contemporary Trends in Muslim Women’s Leadership.” *Religious Leadership: A Reference Handbook*, vol. I., co-authored with Shenila Khoja-Moolji, edited by Sharon H. Callahan, 308–16. Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE, 2013.
- “Critical Gender Analysis.” *The Global Muslim Community at a Crossroads: Understanding Religious Beliefs, Practices, and Infighting to End the Conflict*, edited by Abdul Basit, 73–79. Santa Barbara, CA: Praeger, 2012.
- “Courage at the Crossroads.” In *A Jihad for Justice: Honoring the Work and Life of Amina Wadud*, edited by Juliane Hammer, Laury Silvers, and Kecia Ali, 85–89. Print and online open access, 2012.

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

- “Spiritual Care by and for Muslim Women in the United States.” *Journal of Pastoral Theology*, (online, January 18, 2022): 1–7.
- “The Tentative *Mufasssira*,” *Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion* 37, no. 2 (2021): 213–19.
- “‘The Garment of Piety Is Best’: Islamic Legal and Exegetical Works on Bodily Covering.” *Claremont Journal of Religion* 4, no. 1 (2015): 19–54.
- “Interreligious Leadership Education for Muslims in the United States.” *Journal of Inter-Religious Studies*, no. 15 (2014): 21–23.
- “Interreligious Encounter in Women’s Words: Two Late Nineteenth-Century American Accounts.” *Studies in Interreligious Dialogue* 23, no. 2 (2013): 226–33.

Solicited Articles

- “Spiritual Freedom: From a Drop to the Ocean,” co-authored with Najiba Akbar, *Forecast Journal*, no. 10, (2022), [in press].
- “Campus Chaplains Hold the Center When Things Fall Apart,” co-authored with Elizabeth Aeschlimann and Nancy Fuchs Kreimer. *Harvard Divinity Bulletin* 49, no. 1/2 (2021): 52–62.
- “The Qur’an on Mary, Mother of Jesus, and the Nativity,” Oxford University Press Blog, December 23, 2020.
- “FourThought Interview,” *State of Formation*, April 22, 2020.
- “The Urgency of Now,” *Harvard Divinity Bulletin* 47, no. 1/2 (2019), 43–47.
- “Anti-Muslim Bias as a Social Justice Issue,” Social Justice and Civic Engagement Series. Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning, May 13, 2020.
- “From the Madrasa to the Seminary: Training for Aspiring American Muslim Professionals,” co-authored with Nancy Khalil. *Maydan*, August 8, 2018.
- “Death, Mourning, and the Afterlife,” co-authored with Rabbi Sue Fendrick, *The Huffington Post*, May 5, 2017.
- “Explaining Islam: What I Wish You Knew,” *Princeton Alumni Weekly Magazine*. Print, November 2016, 30–33; online, November 7, 2016.
- “Dreams of Trespass: Celebrating a Seminal Memoir in Muslim Feminist Thought,” *Muslim World Affairs*, September 17, 2016.
- “Women and Leadership,” co-authored with Rabbi Sharon Cohen Anisfeld, *The Huffington Post*, May 20, 2016.
- “Hijab Solidarity Day in Support of Religious Pluralism,” *Huffington Post Religion*, February 1, 2016.

- “Wearing the Headscarf Is a Matter of Feminism, Aesthetics and Solidarity for Me,” Room for Debate: Do Non-Muslims Help or Hurt Women by Wearing Hijabs? *The New York Times*, January 6, 2016.
- “Qur’anic Exegesis and Two Postcolonial Reform Agendas: Sayyid Quṭb (1906-1966) and Fazlur Rahman (1916-1988),” *Muslim World Affairs*, August 2015.
- “Unsettling Gender Hierarchies while Valuing Sexual Difference,” *Muslim World Affairs*, October 19, 2014.
- “Ayan Hirsi Ali & Brandeis University: A View from Campus,” *Public Discourse*, April 24, 2014.
- “Islamic Reform’s Zero-Sum Game,” *Muslim World Affairs*, January 20, 2014.
- “Continuing Momentum in Muslim Critical Gender Scholarship,” *Muslim World Affairs*, September 3, 2013.
- “Religious Dimensions of Democratization Processes in Muslim-Majority Nations,” *American Journal of Islamic Social Sciences* 29, no. 5 (2012): 141–45.

Encyclopedia Articles

- “Menstruation.” In *Encyclopædia of Islam, THREE*, edited by Kate Fleet, et al. 132–34. Leiden: Brill, 2020.
- “Al-Asmā’ al-Ḥusnā (Allah’s Most Beautiful Names).” In *Islam: A Worldwide Encyclopedia*, co-authored with Teresa Soto González, edited by Cenap Cakmak, 98–101. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2017.
- “Education.” In *Oxford Encyclopedia of Philosophy, Science and Technology in Islam*, co-authored with Shenila Khoja-Moolji, edited by Ibrahim Kalin, 190–98. New York: Oxford University Press, 2014. [Substantial revision of earlier entry.]
- “Law: Islamic Traditions.” In *Cultural Sociology of Divorce: An Encyclopedia*, edited by Robert E. Emery, 670–73. Los Angeles: SAGE, 2013.
- “Intersectionality.” In *Multicultural America: A Multimedia Encyclopedia*, edited by Carlos E. Cortes and J. Geoffrey Golson, 1228–229. Los Angeles: SAGE, 2013.
- “Fatwā.” In *Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women*, Vol. 1, edited by Natana J. DeLong-Bas, 303–08. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013. [Substantial revision of earlier entry.]
- “United States of America.” In *Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women*, Vol. 1, edited by Natana J. DeLong-Bas, 386–90. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.
- “Thoraya Obaid.” In *Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women*, Vol. II, edited by Natana J. DeLong-Bas, 19–20. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.
- “African American Muslims.” In *Multimedia Encyclopedia of Women in Today’s World*, 2nd ed., edited by Mary Z. Stange, Carol K. Oyster, and Jane Sloan, 44–46. Los Angeles: SAGE, 2011.

“Headscarves on Women in Secular Turkey.” In *Multimedia Encyclopedia of Women in Today’s World*, 2nd ed., edited by Mary Z. Stange, Carol K. Oyster, and Jane Sloan, 764–68. Los Angeles: SAGE, 2013.

“Wahhabism.” In *Multimedia Encyclopedia of Women in Today’s World*, 2nd ed., edited by Mary Z. Stange, Carol K. Oyster, and Jane Sloan, 1534–35. Los Angeles: SAGE, 2011.

Book Reviews

The Qur’an and Modern Arabic Literary Criticism: From Ṭabā’ to Naṣr, by Mohammad Salama (Bloomsbury, 2018), in *Religious Studies Review* 46, no. 3 (2020): 427–28.

Women and Leadership in Islamic Law: A Critical Analysis of Classical Legal Texts, by David Solomon Jalajel (Routledge, 2017) in *Religious Studies Review* 46, no. 3 (2020): 425.

Critical Religious Pluralism in Higher Education: A Social Justice Framework to Support Religious Diversity, by Jenny L. Small (Routledge, 2020) in *Journal of Interreligious Studies* 30 (2020): 79–81.

The Study Quran: A New Translation and Commentary, edited by Seyyed Hossein Nasr, et al. (HarperCollins, 2015), in *Journal of Islamic and Muslim Studies* 1, no. 2 (2016): 89–92.

Writing Muslim Identity, by Geoffrey Nash (Continuum, 2012), in *Journal of Postcolonial Writing* 94, no. 3 (2013): 372–73.

Finding Mecca in America: How Islam Is Becoming an American Religion, by Muchit Bilici (University of Chicago, 2012), in *American Journal of Islamic Social Sciences* 30, no. 2 (2013): 103–05.

Sufism in the Contemporary Arabic Novel, by Ziad Elmarsafy (Edinburgh, 2012), in *Journal of Postcolonial Writing* 94, no. 4 (2013): 500–01.

ACADEMIC TALKS & CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

Recent Keynote Address & Invited Academic Lectures

“Gender in Narrative Text Structures in the Qur’an,” for series entitled *Religion, Gender, Hermeneutics: Performativity of Religious Texts*, sponsored by the Berlin Institute for Islamic Theology, the Institute for Catholic Theology, and the Theological Faculty of Humboldt University, Berlin, October 27, 2022 [scheduled].

“Women’s Midrash and Tafsir: Twenty-First Century Exegetical Continuities and Ruptures,” keynote for the inaugural *Forum for Jewish–Muslim Theology and Thought*, Berlin Institute for Islamic Theology, October 24, 2022 [scheduled].

“Women and Religious Leadership in Muslim Societies,” invited lecture for *Women in Higher Education: Gender Equality in and Through Education*, hosted by the International Islamic University Malaysia (IIUM) in collaboration with The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), July 6, 2022.

“The Space Between Us: Interreligious Engagement for Times of Disintegration,” *Department of Religion Annual Interfaith Lecture*, inaugural event, Seton Hall University, co-sponsored by the American Association of Colleges and Universities and the Interfaith Youth Core, March 24, 2022.

“Women and Gender in the Qur’an,” book talk for the *Second Annual Allama Muhammad Iqbal Symposium on Islamic Thought and Civilization*, University of Michigan at Flint, March 10, 2022.

Book Talks

For *Islam and Monotheism*, prepublication talk at Massachusetts Institute of Technology (May 7, 2022)

For *Women and Gender in the Qur’an*: Le Moyne College (October 19, 2022 [scheduled]); Johns Hopkins (April 26, 2022; April 17, 2021); Brandeis University (March 22, 2022); University of Cincinnati (November 9, 2021); Washington University in St. Louis (October 4, 2021); Brown University (April 24, 2021); University of Texas at Austin (April 22, 2022); The Claremont Colleges (April, 1, 2021); Zaytuna College (March 12, 2021); Princeton University (March 9, 2021); New Books Network (February 19, 2021); Massachusetts Institute of Technology (February 5, 2021); and prepublication talks at Hartford Seminary (January 29, 2019); Wellesley College (October 20, 2019); and Smith College (September 21, 2019).

Book Talks for Community Organizations: Muslim Space in Austin, Texas (series scheduled for April 2023); Boston Islamic Seminary (August 10, 2022); World Muslim Communities Council, Abu Dhabi (April 22, 2022); Islamic Center of Boston (winter 2022 series); Ismaili Tariqah and Religious Education Board of the United States (October 17, 2021); Iqra Fellowship, Boston (February 28, 2021); and the Shia Ithna'ashari Community of Middlesex, U.K. (December 18, 2020).

For *One Nation, Indivisible*: Brown University, (November 11, 2019, invited lecture for The Association of College and University Religious Affairs Annual Conference); Yale Divinity School (invited talk for Ninth Annual Shura Conference, March 23, 2019); Princeton University (October 1, 2019); and Barnes & Nobles of Burlington, Massachusetts (June 9, 2019).

Additional Invited Talks

Scholar-in-Residence, Kansas University and Haskell Indian Nations University, March 24 – 26, 2023 [series of invited lectures scheduled].

“Reconnecting with Sacred History: Qur’anic Narratives in Chaplaincy Settings,” featured speaker, *Association of Muslim Chaplains Annual Conference*, online event, February 13, 2022.

“Seeking the Transcendent,” featured speaker, *Listening to Other Voices Series*, Glastonbury Abbey, Hingham, MA, February 20, 2020.

- “Islamic Feminism,” and “Women in Scriptures,” featured speaker, sponsored by Zaytuna College “In Your Community” program, hosted by the Muslim Educational Center in Morton Grove, IL, February 8–9, 2020.
- “Social Justice and Qur’anic Social Ethics,” featured speaker, Mercy by the Sea, Madison, CT, June 15, 2019.
- “Female Political Agency, Knowledge, and Public Voice,” featured speaker, MakeSpace, Washington, D.C., March 30, 2019.
- “The Historical Origins of Islam,” invited lecture, The Boston Athenæum, February 3, 2016.
- “Women of the Qur’an,” featured speaker, Anna Howard Shaw Center, Boston University School of Theology, April 16, 2015.
- “Reading *Broken Verses*,” invited talk, sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities in partnership with the American Library Association’s “Muslim Journeys Series,” Hingham Public Library, Hingham, MA, November 19, 2013.
- “*Fiqh* and the Family: The Higher Intentions of Islamic Law and Changing Spousal Roles,” invited talk for the Project on Gender, Culture, Religion and the Law at the Hadassah-Brandeis Institute, Brandeis University, Waltham, MA, October 9, 2013.

Conference Papers

- “What No Eye Has Seen: Reexamining Virgins in Paradise,” for *Association for the Study of the Middle East and Africa (ASMEA) Annual Conference*, Washington, D.C., November 2, 2019.
- “Qur’anic Studies in the Madrasa and in the Academy: An Impossible Dialogue?” for *Approaches to Islamic Studies in North American Universities*, hosted by the International Institute of Islamic Thought, Herndon, VA, July 13, 2018.
- “American Muslims and 21st-Century Interfaith Partnerships,” for *American Council for the Study of Islamic Societies Annual Conference*, hosted by Villanova University, Villanova, PA, April 17, 2015.
- “Qur’anic Stories on Sexual Violence,” for *Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion* panel at the *American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting*, San Diego, CA, November 22, 2014.
- “*Maqāṣid al-sharī‘a* and Family Law Reform,” for *Ways of Knowing Annual Conference*, Harvard Divinity School, Cambridge, MA, October 24, 2014.
- “Muslim Theology at the Intersection of Identities,” for *Religious Identity and Renewal: Jewish, Christian and Muslim Explorations*, Seattle University School of Theology and Ministry, co-sponsored by the Lutheran World Federation, Seattle, WA, August 10–14, 2014.
- “Problematizing Liberalism: When ‘Islamic Feminism’ is a Misnomer,” for *Religion and Revolution*, sponsored by the Princeton University Liechtenstein Institute on Self-Determination at the School of Public and International Affairs, held in Vienna, Austria, June 19–21, 2014.

- “Institutions of Islamic Higher Learning: A Community’s Exigent Demands and a Nation’s Struggle for Plurality,” for *Collaborative Partnerships between Universities and Muslim Institutions*, University of Birmingham, United Kingdom, June 27, 2013.
- “Muslim Reform Movements on Gender: Success or Failure on the Woman Question?” for the *Islamic Studies Colloquium*, Center for the Study of Religion, Princeton University, Princeton, April 12, 2013.
- “Bestselling Fiction, Political Rhetoric, and Islamophobia,” for *Islam, Political Islam, and Islamophobia*, hosted by Indiana University at Bloomington, March 29, 2013.
- “Disparate Paradigms for Energizing Religious Reform: Two Prominent Twentieth-Century Exegetes on Qur’anic Hermeneutics and Religious Ethics,” for *Contemplating the Qur’an* (Tadabbur al-Qur’an), Howard University School of Divinity, Washington, D.C., March 24, 2013.
- “Intersectionality and Standpoint Theory: Integrating Scholar/Practitioner Perspectives in Religious Studies,” for *Ways of Knowing Annual Conference*, Harvard Divinity School, Cambridge, MA, October 27, 2012.
- “Gender and Personal Status Law in the MENA Region: Between Secular-Liberal and Islamist Visions,” for *Religious Dimensions of Democratization Processes in Muslim-Majority Nations*, North American Association of Islamic and Muslim Studies Annual Conference, Yale Divinity School, September 29, 2012.
- “Horizons of Islamic Feminist Discourses in the Academy,” for *Islam in the West and Democratic Trends in the Middle East and North Africa*, North American Association of Islamic and Muslim Studies Annual Conference, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York City, September 23, 2011.

Conference Panels

- “Gender-based Research in Qur’anic Studies: An Exploration of Theoretical and Methodological Directions in Contemporary Scholarship,” panelist and co-organizer, *International Qur’anic Studies Association Annual Conference*, hosted by La Pira Library and Research Center, Palermo, September 6, 2022 [scheduled].
- “The Merging of Two Oceans: Reb Zalman, Islam, and Sufism,” for *In Search of Renewal: Rabbi Zalman Schachter-Shalomi, Jewish Diversity, and Interreligious Engagement*, sponsored by the Miller Center for Interreligious Learning and Leadership at Hebrew College, hosted by MIT Endicott House, Dedham, MA, June 27, 2022.
- “Reading and Doing ‘Modern Muslim Theology’ in a Pastoral Context,” discussant for book by Martin Nguyen, *Association of Muslim Chaplains Annual Conference*, online conference, February 13, 2022.

- “Qur’anic Narrative and Hermeneutics,” panel chair and co-organizer for the Qur’anic Studies: Methodology and Hermeneutics Unit, International Qur’anic Studies Association Annual Conference, San Antonio, November 20, 2021.
- “Disruptive Hermeneutics: Questions of Authority,” panel chair and discussant, for *Approaches to Qur’anic Studies in the Western Academy*, North American Association of Islamic and Muslim Studies (NAAIMS) Fiftieth Annual Conference, co-hosted by the Department of Religious Studies, University of Oregon, online event, November 12, 2021.
- Discussant, *Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion* sponsored panel on my book *Women and Gender in the Qur’an* at the joint Society of Biblical Literature / American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, online event, December 9, 2020.
- “Deep Understanding for Divisive Times,” *Journal of Interreligious Studies* (JIRS) and the Association of Interreligious/Interfaith Studies (AIIS) American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, online event, November 30, 2020.
- “Multifaith Initiatives in American Higher Education,” *Reimagining Interfaith*, hosted by George Washington University, August 30, 2018.
- “Islamophobia in the Age of Interfaith,” sponsored by the El-Hibri Foundation as part of *The Pluralism Project at 25: Diversity and Inclusion in the American Crucible*, hosted by Harvard Divinity School, Cambridge, MA, September 23, 2016.
- “Communities, Histories, and Contemporary Issues in Regional and Transnational Perspective: The United States,” for *Intra-Muslim Relations: Contemporary Trends in Contexts*, HRH Prince Alwaleed Bin Talal Islamic Studies Program, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, April 11–12, 2015.
- “Muslims Making Inclusive Spaces,” for *(re)Presenting American Muslims: Broadening the Conversation*, co-sponsored by the Institute for Social Policy and Understanding and the HRH Prince Alwaleed bin Talal Islamic Studies Program, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, April 11, 2014.
- “From Theory to Action: Building Women’s Networks in and beyond Divinity School,” panelist and co-convener, *Teaching Activism: Women’s Studies in the Twenty-First Century*, New England Women’s Studies Association, University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth, April 30, 2010.
- “New Ministries in Islam,” Women’s Studies in Religion Program’s National Leadership Conference, Harvard Divinity School, Cambridge, MA, January 20, 2010.

Event Panels

- “Transforming Interfaith Leadership Online,” Hartford International University of Religion and Peace, Hartford, CT, May 5, 2022.

“Models of Interreligious Engagement in the U.S.,” sponsored by the Wexner Israel Fellowship, organized by the Miller Center at Hebrew College, hosted by Boston University School of Theology, November 19, 2021.

“Muslim Women’s Rights and Consequences of Anti-Islamic Policies in the United States,” hosted by the Suffolk University Law School Muslim Students Association, Boston, MA, April 20, 2016.

“Freedom of Expression in the Wake of Charlie Hebdo,” hosted by the Tufts University International Literary and Visual Studies and International Relations Departments, March 26, 2015.

“Women, Men, and Veiling: A Muslim Feminist Inquiry into Class, Gender, and Religious Law,” panelist and co-convener, hosted by Harvard’s Center of Middle Eastern Studies, September 30, 2010.

“Islam and Religious Pluralism in America,” Harvard College Students in Africa Initiative in collaboration with Morocco’s al-Akhwayan University, Harvard University, February 9, 2010.

TEACHING APPOINTMENTS

Groton School, Faculty, Department of Religious Studies and Philosophy, Groton, MA, since 2019

Hebrew College / Andover Newton Theological School, Newton Centre, MA, 2014 – 2017

Jointly appointed as Islamic Studies Scholar-in-Residence

Co-Director, Center for Interreligious and Communal Leadership Education (CIRCLE)

Managing editor for the Journal of Inter-Religious Studies™ (JIRS)

Managed a Residential Interreligious Center, “CIRCLE House”

Collaborative partner in the founding of the Betty Ann Greenbaum Miller Center for Interreligious Learning and Leadership at Hebrew College

Academic Strategic Planning Committee, Andover Newton Theological School, 2014–2015

[Andover Newton is presently Andover Newton Seminary at Yale Divinity School]

Boston Islamic Seminary, Faculty Affiliate, Chelsea, MA, since 2016

Hartford International University for Religion and Peace, affiliate faculty, 2023 [scheduled]

Hartford Seminary, affiliate faculty, 2018–2019

Episcopal Divinity School, Cambridge, MA affiliate faculty, 2013 – 2014

[Episcopal Divinity is now based at Union Theological Seminary, New York City]

Merrimack College, North Andover, MA

Center for the Study of Jewish–Christian–Muslim Relations, affiliate, 2012 – 2014

Department of Religious and Theological Studies, affiliate faculty, 2011 – 2014

Academic Courses Offered

Groton School: Classical Arabic and the Qur'an; Islamic Ethics; Introduction to Comparative Religion; Religion in the Public Sphere; Sacred Traditions and Premodern History; Sacred Texts; Foundations of Global History; Modern Global History; Applied Ethics; Women and Ethics; Racial Justice and Postcolonial Theory

Hartford International University: Women in the Qur'an [scheduled 2023]; Women and Gender in Islamic Societies

Boston Islamic Seminary: Religions in Contemporary America; Islamic Systems (course on the foundations of Islamic thought); Community Leadership as Vocation (course exploring applied dimensions of civic and religious leadership)

Hebrew College / Andover Newton: Logic and Rhetoric in the Qur'an; Biblical Figures in the Qur'an; Women in the Qur'an; Islam and Muslims in North America; Multifaith Relations in the United States (travel seminar); Women in the Bible and Qur'an (co-taught with Rachel Adelman); Theories and Methods in Interreligious Leadership (co-taught with Jennifer Peace and Or Rose); Jewish and Islamic Mysticism (co-taught with Or Rose)

Merrimack College: Islamic Civilizations and Cultures; Islam: Religion, Culture, Politics; Women, and Gender in Muslim Societies; Sex and Gender in Islamic Law; History and Theologies of Christian-Muslim Relations

Independent Work Supervised: Consultation (*Shūrā*) in Islamic Intellectual History (Dissertation, Chicago Theological Seminary); Muslim Women in Euro-American Discourse (invited dissertation disputant, College of William and Mary); Muslim Multifaith Networks in the United States (Capstone for Masters in Global Interreligious Leadership, Hebrew College); Studies in Multifaith Chaplaincy (Capstone for Masters of Divinity, Andover Newton); Islamic Ritual Practices; Islamicate Visual Arts; Peacebuilding in Islamic Thought and Practice; Mary in Christian-Muslim Dialogue; Sufi Communities in North America; Interreligious Encounter through Poetry; Readings in Classical Arabic (all credit-bearing independent studies at Andover Newton Theological School); Andalusian Texts in Spanish and Arabic (Senior Independent Study, Groton School)

ADDITIONAL HIGHER EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION & SERVICES

Harvard Divinity School, Denominational Counselor for Muslim Students, 2022 – 2023

Tufts University, Muslim Chaplain, Medford / Somerville, MA, 2014 – 2019

Provide confidential guidance to students, faculty, and staff; build strategic partnerships across the university and within the wider community; liaison with administration and academic departments, including advancement and alumni relations; collaborate with university programs on religion, civic engagement, performing arts, residential life, and wellness; oversee and enhance budget lines related to Muslim life programming

Andover Newton Theological School, Muslim Fellowship Program Coordinator, 2012 – 2014

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

Center for the Study of World Religions, Assistant to the Coordinator of Educational Programs, Harvard Divinity School, 2008 – 2011

Islam in the West Program, Center for Middle Eastern Studies, Project Coordinator, 2009 – 2011

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Provided internal peer-review for *Religions* (published by Cambridge University Press), *Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion*, *Journal of Interreligious Studies*, Oxford University Press and Cambridge University Press, and others.

Society of Biblical Literature, Bibles and Qur'an Unit, panel organizer, Annual Conference in Salzburg 2022

Boston Theological Interreligious Consortium, Advisor, 2022

International Qur'anic Studies Association, Methodologies and Hermeneutics co-chair, since 2021

Pluralism Project, Harvard University, Advisory Council, since 2020

Feminist Studies in Religion Forum, Board Member, 2018 – 2020

American Academy of Religion, Steering Committee for Chaplaincy and Spiritual Care, 2019 –2021

Hebrew College, Betty Ann Greenbaum Miller Center for Interreligious Learning & Leadership, Advisory Council, since 2017

*Journal of Interreligious Studies*TM, Board of Advisors, since 2015

Executive Committee, Baptist–Muslim National Dialogues, 2014–2015

Jury Member, Goldziher Prize for Jewish–Muslim Relations, 2013 – 2014

Institutional Service

Groton School, Curriculum Review and Spiritual Life Teams, collaborator on campus-wide diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives, 2020 – present

Harvard Divinity School, Alumni/Alumnae Council, 2016 – 2021

Gomes Honors Selection Committee, 2016–2019, Chair in 2019

Bicentennial Celebration Host Committee, 2017

Princeton University, Alumni Schools Committee, 2009 – 2014

United World College, United States Selection Committee, 2018–2022

Projects and Working Groups (since 2019)

Ansari Institute for Global Engagement with Religion, Notre Dame, “Faith in the Story: Religious Futures,” 2022 [scheduled]

Interfaith America, “Engaging Religious Diversity Online,” 2022

The New York Times, Learning Network, Teaching Project, 2021 – 2022

Columbia University Teachers College, The Klingenstein Center, “Justice, Conflict, and Dialogue” teaching project, 2020 – 2021

Johns Hopkins University, Program in Islamic Studies and the Center for Social Concern with the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, “Exploring Community-Engaged Models of Teaching and Learning in the Islamic Studies Classroom,” 2020 – 2021

The Op-Ed Project, Ambassador, 2020 – 2021

Boston University School of Theology and Brandeis University, “Educating for Effective Chaplaincy,” 2019 – 2022

The Islamic Seminary of America, Academic Policy Committee, 2019 – 2020

Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, “Campus Chaplaincy in a Multifaith World,” hosted by Auburn Seminary, sponsored by The Henry Luce Foundation, 2019

GRANTS & FUNDING

Research, Program Grants, Scholarship Awards

Shenandoah University, Center for Islam in the Contemporary World, research grant, 2020

Groton School, Dillon Fund, research and program grants, 2020, 2021, 2022

International Institute of Islamic Thought, Summer Scholar, research grant, 2018

Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, Multifaith Fellow, 2017–2019

Tufts University, Arts, Sciences, and Engineering Diversity Fund, 2015 and 2017

American Association for the Advancement of Science / Association of Theological Schools, grant received through Andover Newton Theological School, 2015–2016

Northeastern University, Distinguished Interfaith Leadership Fellow, 2015

Merrimack College, Center for Jewish-Christian-Muslim Relations, research and program grants, 2012–2013

Brandeis University, Rebecca Lee Spitz Scholarship, 2015–2017

Brandeis University, BOLLI Lectureship, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, 2016

Brandeis University, Near Eastern and Judaic Studies Department, 2013–2016

Brandeis University, Max and Frances Elkon Endowed Fellowship, 2012–2014

Brandeis University, Eli and Frimi Sagan Research Grant, 2014

Islamic Scholarship Foundation Award, 2013–2014

Roothbert Fellowship in Spiritual Values, 2013–2015

Brandeis University, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, research grants, 2012–2014
 Brandeis University, Graduate Student Association research and travel grants, 2012–2014
 Brandeis University, University Fellowship, 2012–2017
 Harvard University, HRH Prince Alwaleed Bin Talal Islamic Studies, scholarship, 2009–2011
 Fadel Educational Foundation, scholarship, 2008–2014
 The Op-Ed Project, hosted by Simmons College, workshop grant, 2012
 Indiana University, Lilly Family School of Philanthropy, Fund Raising School Certificate, 2010
 Harvard University, Pluralism Project, grants for research and programs, 2009–2010
 Harvard Divinity School, Diversity Fund, program grant, 2009

SELECT OUTREACH

Radio, Television, and Podcast

Featured interview, Netflix and Karga7 Studios, six-episode documentary on the figure of Moses, filmed in 2022 [release expected in 2023]
 Expert consultant, *A Bridge Over Hell's Creek*, documentary film on Omaha's Tri-faith Campus by Ellie Pierce, Research Director of the Pluralism Project at Harvard University
 “Qur'an, Gender, and Feminism,” *History Speaks*, podcast produced by *The Maydan*, March 10, 2022.
 “Pursuing Wellness, Building Resilience, and Combatting Stigma,” feature interview for series entitled “Feminism, Religion, and Mental Health,” for *Feminists Talk Religion Podcast*, produced by Feminist Studies in Religion, November 28, 2021.
 “Interreligious Studies and Secondary Education,” *Inter/Section*, podcast produced by Seton Hall's Institute for Communication and Religion in partnership with the *Journal of Interreligious Studies*, May 13, 2021.
 “Faith and Purpose During the Coronavirus Pandemic,” *Under the Radar with Callie Crossley*, National Public Radio, April 26, 2020.
 “Teaching Multifaith: Religious Literacy in Higher Education,” *Multifaithful*, New York University's Office of Global Spiritual Life, January 27, 2016.
 “The Necessity and Future of Diversity in Belief,” *State of Belief*, produced by the Interfaith Alliance, July 18, 2015.
Feature Interview, *BBC Persian* (Farsi), July 30, 2013.

Invited Talks on Religion and Foreign Affairs

“Religion and Women's Rights: Trends in Global Muslim Feminist Activism,” Liechtenstein Institute on Self-Determination at the School of Public and International Affairs, Princeton University, February 3, 2022.
 “Religious Expression in the Workplace,” panelist, hosted by the Mosaic and GRACE affinity groups of the US State Department, June 24, 2021.

“Religious Legitimacy and the ISIS Insurgency,” featured speaker, Andover Newton Theological School, March 20, 2015.

“Women Faith Leaders on Advancing Peace and Security,” panelist, hosted by the Peace and Security Funders Group, February 11, 2015.

“Islam and Political Violence,” panelist, sponsored by the Harvard Kennedy School Muslim Student Caucus, the Harvard Interfaith Forum, and Harvard Better Together, hosted by Harvard Divinity School, December 3, 2014.

“Crisis Diplomacy and the State of Global Affairs,” working group, Liechtenstein Institute on Self-Determination at Princeton University, Vaduz, Liechtenstein, August 26–27, 2014.

“The Israel/Palestine Conflict, American Religious Communities, and Interreligious Relations,” panelist, sponsored by Boston University School of Theology and Andover Newton Theological School, March 21, 2013.

“Political Islam: Euphemism or Redundancy?” sponsored by the Program on Religion, Diplomacy, and International Relations at the Liechtenstein Institute of Self-Determination, Woodrow Wilson School, Princeton University, November 7, 2008.

Invited Talks on Religion and Healthcare

“Islam and Muslims: Dispelling Common Myths,” Athenahealth, Watertown, MA, April 7, 2016.

“Meditation and Genes: In Conversation with Dr. John Denninger of the Benson-Henry Institute for Mind Body Medicine at Mass General Hospital,” organizer and panelist, Andover Newton Theological School, March 23, 2016.

“Cultural Competence with Muslim Students,” for Counseling and Health Services, Tufts University, Medford, MA, August 28, 2015.

“Sexuality and Mental Health,” Greater Boston Muslim Health Initiative Annual Conference, Boston, MA, November 1, 2014.

“Sexuality in the Muslim World,” Partners Healthcare International, Boston, MA, October 21, 2013.

Invited Gallery and Theatre Talks on Religion and the Arts

“Faith in a City,” Somerville Museum, curated by Charan Devereaux, November 21, 2019.

Jihad Jones and the Kalashnikov Babes, discussant, Balch Arena Theatre, Tufts University, April 12, 2019.

“Securing Human Connections: Displaying Empathy and Cultural Competency in and beyond the Galleries,” keynote, sponsored by the International Council of Museums’ Committee for Museum Security, hosted by Harvard Art Museums, August 21, 2017.

“Exploring Religious Plurality Through *Rev. 23*, Opera by Cerise Jacobs,” discussant, The Boston Athenæum, May 24, 2017.

“Hail Mary, Full of Grace, Fueled by Grit,” Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, February 25, 2017.

Converts by Claire Beckett, gallery talk, Carroll and Sons Gallery, Boston, June 9, 2016.

Via Doloroso, discussant, Watertown Repertory Theatre, January 31, 2016.

Hoodwinked, discussant, McCarter Theatre, Princeton University, January 29, 2016.

Nada's Revolution, discussant, Tribeca Film Center, sponsored by the Peace and Security Funders Group and Women Make Movies, New York City, December 6, 2015.

Doves Cry and *Of Many*, discussant, Boston Jewish Film Festival, November 9, 2014.

Invited Talks on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Higher Education

“Xenophobia, Anti-Muslim Bias, and Sexism: Compound Marginalization in the Academic Workspace,” invited talk, hosted by the Equity and Inclusion Club, Harvard and Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics, April 17, 2020.

“Worldview Diversity, Spiritual Wellness, and Fostering a Welcoming Campus Climate,” keynote for Student Affairs Diversity and Inclusion Conference, Bentley University, Waltham, MA, July 9, 2019.

“Dispositions for Interreligious Leadership,” invited talk, hosted by Residential Fellows of the Walker Center for Ecumenical Exchange, Newton, MA, May 3, 2019.

“Sharia and Contemporary Life: Understanding Islam for Future Jewish Clergy,” invited talk, co-sponsored by Hebrew College, Hebrew Union College, the Institute of Jewish Religion, Jewish Theological Seminary, Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, Yeshivat Chovevei Torah, Yeshivat Maharat, the Ziegler School of Rabbinic Studies, online event, March 21, 2017.

“Muslim Feminism,” featured speaker, Harvard Faculty of Arts and Sciences Human Resources Department as part of a “Diversity Dialogues,” Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, December 6, 2016.

“Islam and Muslims in America’s Multifaith and Multiracial Landscape: Critical Conversations and Social Justice Imperatives,” featured speaker, Southern New Hampshire University, Hookset, NH, November 17, 2016.

“Changing the World from the Inside Out: Multi-Faith Perspectives on the Inner-Life and Social Justice,” panel speaker, sponsored by the Jewish Community Relations Council of Greater Boston, and the Greater Boston Interfaith Organization, hosted by Harvard Divinity School, Cambridge, MA, October 13, 2016.

“The Art of Storytelling as an Interreligious Leadership Skill,” workshop, Northeastern University Center for Spirituality, Dialogue, and Service, Boston, MA, April 1, 2015.

“Facilitating Difficult Social Justice Conversations,” co-sponsored by Tufts University Dean of Student Affairs Office and University Chaplaincy, Medford, MA, February 13, 2015.

“Best Practices for Building Inclusive Communities,” featured speaker, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Worcester, MA, October 3, 2014.

“Women, Islam, and the Academy,” featured speaker, hosted by Wellesley College Office of Religious and Spiritual Life, Wellesley, MA, April 5, 2013.

“Enhancing Cultural Competency, Muslim Students and Families,” invited talk, Graduate Institute of Education Leadership, Merrimack College, North Andover, MA, December 12, 2012.

Campus Outreach Events Organized

“Analyzing the Racialization of Muslim Masculinities,” featuring Shenila Khoja-Moolji, co-sponsored by Tufts University Departments of Religion and American Studies, October 7, 2016.

“Women and Religion at the Grassroots,” co-convenor, Fletcher Initiative on Religion, Law, and Diplomacy, Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University, April 12, 2016.

“Democratic Transition and the Media,” roundtable on Muslims in the American political landscape, sponsored by the East–West Institute, Tufts University, April 1, 2016.

“Saving Ancient Manuscripts: Preserving Yemen’s Cultural Heritage,” featuring Dr. David Hollenberg, sponsored by the Classics Department, Tufts University, March 16, 2016.

“Building the Jetpac: Increasing Minority Participation in Electoral Politics,” featuring Cambridge City Councilor Nadeem Mazen, sponsored by the Johnathan M. Tisch College of Citizenship and Public Service, Tufts University, February 26, 2016.

“Muslim Social Entrepreneurship,” featuring Shahed Amanullah, Senior Advisor for Technology at the US Department of State, co-organizer, October 16, 2015.

“Breaking Taboos and Creating Safe Spaces: Muslim Women, Sexuality, and Health,” featuring HEART Women and Girls, co-sponsored by the Muslim Student Associations of Tufts, Harvard University, and MIT, co-organizer, October 24, 2014.

“Active Citizenship and Community Leadership,” featuring conversations with Linda Sarsour, Tufts University, Medford, MA, October 17, 2014.

“Journalistic Insights on the Syrian Crisis,” featuring Rania Abouzeid, Tufts University, Medford, MA, September 22, 2014.

“Muslim Women’s Religious Literacy: The Legacy of Nana Asma’u,” featuring HRH The Sultan of Sokoto,” event co-coordinator, co-sponsored by the Women’s Studies in Religion Program at Harvard Divinity School, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, October 2, 2011.

“Faith-Based Family Dispute Mediation and Arbitration: North American Muslim Priorities,” lead event organizer, co-sponsored by the Pluralism Project and HRH Prince Alwaleed bin Talal Islamic Studies Program, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, September 17, 2010.

“‘Friend of God’ as Teacher and the Path of Learning in Sufism,” panel co-organizer, Center for the Study of World Religions, Harvard Divinity School, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, April 23, 2010.

“Muslim Community Leadership in America: Women’s Challenges and Horizons,” lead conference organizer, Harvard Divinity School, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, October 30, 2009.

Current Association Memberships

American Academy of Religion

International Qur’anic Studies Association

Society of Biblical Literature

LANGUAGES

Arabic: proficient in reading classical and modern texts, proficient in Egyptian dialect

French: reading proficiency

Portuguese: reading proficiency

Spanish: reading and speaking proficiency