

**The University of California, Riverside
Religious Studies Department**

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Course Description

This graduate seminar explores a variety of public discourses in modern Islam. In it we examine scholarly and popular discourses, such as the place of Muhammad, the Qur'an, religious pluralism, knowledge and public rituals, political Islam, democracy and human rights, gender, and capitalism, using various approaches, including scriptural/Qur'anic studies, legal studies, history, anthropology, political science and international relations.

Requirements and Grading

Attendance and Class Participation: 15 % of the total grade

Since this is a graduate seminar, students are required to demonstrate their engaged and engaging participation in which the professor serves as group leader. The professor presents some background information and some points for discussion, but the students are free to explore other points as well. Attendance in every class session is mandatory and participation is crucial. Students should be prepared to discuss the materials, ask questions actively, and speak critically on the issues at hand.

1 (one) presentation: 15 %

Each student will give one presentation critiquing the required reading of the week, asking thoughtful questions and leading the discussion. The student should provide a handout or an outline to be shared with the class and the professor electronically one day before the day of his/her presentation. Depending on the number of participants, there will usually be more than one student presenting in the same week.

Two Essays: 20 + 20 % = 40 %

Every student will write 2 (two) 4-5 page essays, one being developed from the presentation due within 1 (one) week, and the other being due on any week.

Final Term Paper and Presentation: 25 % + 5 % = 30 %

Every student will write one final paper of 10-12 pages. Students should combine the methodological and theoretical insights of the course with their own scholarly interests. By week 6, every student must have chosen a topic for the paper. Please do not wait too long to decide on a topic! The paper will be graded based on its thesis and evidence, coherency and consistency, clarity and presentation.

Students will present their final papers in the last two weeks of the term.

Primary Readings

1. Farid Esack, *the Qur'an, Liberation & Pluralism: An Islamic Perspective of Interreligious Solidarity against Oppression* (Oxford: Oneworld, 2002)
2. Omid Safi, *Memories of Muhammad: Why the Prophet Matters*, (New York: HarperOne, 2010)
3. John Bowen, *Muslims through Discourse: Religion and Ritual in Gayo Society* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1993)
4. Roxanne L. Euben and Muhammad Qasim Zaman, eds, *Princeton Readings in Islamist Thought: Texts and Contexts from al-Banna to Bin Laden* (Princeton: Princeton University, 2009)
5. Khaled Abou el-Fadl, *The Great Theft: Wrestling Islam from the Extremists* (New York: HarperOne, 2007)
6. Amina Wadud, *Qur'an and Woman: Rereading the Sacred Text from a Woman's Perspective* (New York & Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1999)
7. Vali Nasr, *The Rise of Islamic Capitalism: Why the New Muslim Middle Class Is the Key to Defeating Extremism* (New York: Free Press, 2010)
8. John L. Esposito & Dalia Mogahed, *Who speaks for Islam? What A Billion Muslims Really Think* (New York: Gallup Press, 2007)

Week 1, October 1st: Introduction. Defining Public Religious Discourses, Modern Islam, Islamism, Secularism, some recent surveys, approaches to the study of modern Islam. We will discuss these further on Week 2.

Primary Readings:

Andrew Rippin, "Introduction", in Andrew Rippin (ed.), *Defining Islam: A Reader* (*ilearn)
Euben and Qasim Zaman, eds., "Introduction", *Princeton Readings in Islamist Thought*
John L. Esposito and Dalia Mogahed, *Who Speaks for Islam? What A Billion Muslims Really Think* (Gallup Press, 2007): Introduction: Islam's Silenced Majority, i-xv

Additional Readings:

Clinton Bennett, "Introduction" and Chapter 1, *Muslims and Modernity*, pp. 1-16, 17-31
Charles Kurzman, ed., "Introduction: Liberal Islam and Its Islamic Context", *Liberal Islam: A Sourcebook* (Oxford, 1998), pp. 3-26.
Robert W. Hefner, "Multiple Modernities: Christianity, Islam, and Hinduism in a Globalizing Age," *Annual Review of Anthropology*, 1998 (ilearn)
Abdullah Saeed, "Trends in Contemporary Islam: A Preliminary Attempt at A Classification (ilearn)
Muhamad Ali, "Categorizing Muslims in Colonial and Postcolonial Indonesia" (ilearn)
Armando Salvatore, Chapter 1 "Tradition and Modernity within Islamic Civilization and the West", pp.3-32.
Talal Asad, *Genealogies of Religion*
Martin, *Approaches to Islam in Religious Studies*
Ernst and Martin, *Rethinking Islamic Studies*

Week 2, October 8th: The Qur'an, Self, and Other

Primary Readings:

Farid Esack, *the Qur'an, Liberation & Pluralism*
Who Speaks for Islam, "Introduction: Islami's Silenced Majority", "Who are Muslims?", pp. 1-28

Further Readings and Sources for Essays

Clinton Bennett, *Muslims and Modernity*, pp. 156-173
Charles Kurzman, ed., *Liberal Islam: A Sourcebook*, Part IV: Rights of Non-Muslims
Sayyid Qutb, *Milestone* (*ilearn)
Muhammad Abd Al-Wahhab and Muhammad al-Bazz, ... (*iLearn)
John L. Esposito and Dalia Mogahed, *Who Speaks for Islam: What a Billion Muslims Really Think* (Gallup, 2007)

Abdulaziz Sachedina, *the Islamic Roots of Democratic Pluralism*
Khaled Abou el- Fadl, *The Place of Tolerance in Islam* 4

Fauzan Saleh, *Modern Trends in Islamic Theological Discourse in 20th Century Indonesia: A Critical Survey* (iLearn)

Interfaith Theology: Responses of Progressive Indonesian Muslims

Murtadha Mutahhari, "Islam and Religious Pluralism" (iLearn)

Maria Rosa Menocal, *The Ornament of the World: How Muslims, Jews, and Christians Created a Culture of Tolerance in Medieval Spain*

Muhammad Legenhausen, *Islam and Religious Pluralism*

Omid Safi, ed, *Progressive Muslims: On Justice, Gender, and Pluralism*, Part III: Progressive Muslims and Pluralism

Thomas S. Kidd, *American Christians and Islam: Evangelical Culture and Muslims from the Colonial Period to the Age of Terrorism* (Princeton, 2009)

Paul Heck, *Common Ground: Islam, Christianity, and Religious Pluralism* (Georgetown University, 2009)

John Renan, *Islam and Christianity: Theological Themes in Comparative Perspectives*

Miroslav Volf, *Allah: A Christian Response*

Diana Eck, *A New Religious America*

Eboo Patel, *Sacred Ground: Pluralism, Prejudice, and The Promise of America*

Reza Aslan and Aaron Hahn Taper, eds, *Muslims and Jews in America: Commonalities, Contentions, and Complexities* (2011)

Muhamad Ali, "They are not All Alike": Indonesian Intellectuals Perception of Judaism and Jews. *Indonesia and the Malay World*. Vol. 38: 112, 2010, p.329-347.

Week 3, October 15th: Muhammad

Primary Reading:

Omid Safi, *Memories of Muhammad: Why the Prophet Matters*

Further Readings and Sources for Essays

Clinton Bennett, *Muslims and Modernity*, pp.85-104.

Robert Spencer, *Did Muhammad Exist? An Inquiry into Islam's Obscure Origins* (Intercollegiate Studies Institute, 2012)

Robert Spencer, *The Truth About Muhammad: Founder of the World's Most Intolerant Religion* (Regnery, 2007)

Ibn Warraq, *What the Koran Really Say: Language, Text, and Commentary* (Prometheus, 2002)

John L.Esposito, *Islam: The Straight Path* (Oxford, 2010)

John L. Esposito and Dalia Mogahed, *Who Speaks for Islam: What a Billion Muslims Really Think* (Gallup, 2007)

John L. Esposito, *What Everyone Needs to Know About Islam*

John L. Esposito and Ibrahim Kalin, eds, *Islamophobia: The Challenge of Pluralism in the 21st Century* (Oxford, 2011)

Martin Lings, *Muhammad: His Life based on the Earliest Sources*

Van Doorn-Harder, *Women Shaping Islam: Reading the Qur'an in Indonesia*

Farid Esack, *the Qur'an: A User's Guide* (*ilearn)

Montgomery Watt, "Historical Context", *Introduction to the Qur'an* (*ilearn)

Carl Ernst, "the Word of God: the Qur'an", pp. 93-105.

Muhammad Asad, "Foreword", *the Message of the Qur'an*

Ingrid Mattson, *The Story of the Qur'an: Its History and Place in Muslim Life* (Blackwell Publishing, 2008)

Bruce Lawrence, *the Qur'an: A Biography* (Atlantic Monthly Press, 2006)

Ziauddin Sardar, *Reading the Qur'an: The Contemporary Relevance of the Sacred Text*

Michael Sells, *Approaching the Qur'an: the Early Revelations*, second edition (White Cloud Press, 2007)

Abdullah Saeed, "Some Reflections on the Contextualist-Approach to the Ethico-legal Texts of the Qur'an", *Bulletin of SOAS*

Fazlur Rahman, "Muhammad", *Islam*, pp. 11-29 (*ilearn)

Carl Ernst, "the Seal of the Prophets: The Prophet Muhammad", pp. 73-92.

Jonathan A.C. Brown, *Hadith: Muhammad's Legacy in the Medieval and Modern World* (Oneworld, 2009)

An-Nawawi's Forty Hadith, trans. Ezzeddin Ibrahim & Denys Johnson-Davies (Cambridge, UK: the Islamic Texts Society, 2006)

The Wisdom of the Prophet: Sayings of Muhammad, Selections from the Hadith, trans. Thomas Cleary (Shambhala, 2001)

Karen Armstrong, *Muhammad: A Biography of the Prophet* (HarpersCollin, 1993)

Deepak Copra, *Muhammad: A Story of God's Messenger and the Revelation That Changed the World*, reprint (Harpersone, 2011)

Reza Aslan, *No God but God*

Film "Muhammad: A Legacy of A Prophet"

Week 4, October 22nd: Ritual and Law

Primary Readings:

John R. Bowen, *Muslims Through Discourse*

Further Readings and Sources for Essays

Charles Kurzman, ed., *Liberal Islam: A Sourcebook*, Part 1

Muhammad Qasim Zaman, *The Ulama in Contemporary Islam: Custodians of Change* (Princeton, 2002)

Clinton Bennett, *Muslims and Modernity*, pp. 177-195.

Lesley Hazleton, *After the Prophet: The Epic Story of the Shia-Sunni Split in Islam* (Doubleday, 2009)

Vali Nasr, *The Shi'a Revival: How Conflicts within Islam will Shape the Future*

Khaled Abou el-Fadl, *Speaking in God's Name: Islamic Law, Authority, and Women*

Nurcholish Madjid, "the Necessity of Renewing Islamic Thought and Reinvigorating Religious Understanding", In Kurzman, *Liberal Islam: A Sourcebook*

Muhammad Sa'id Al-Ashmawi, "Sharia: the Codification of Islamic Law" in Kurzman, *Liberal Islam*

Wael Hallaq, *Shari'a: Theory, Practice, Transformations*

Robert Hefner, ed., *Shari'a Politics: Islamic Law and Society in the Modern World*

Bill Warner, *Sharia Law for Non-Muslims*

Abbas Amanat and Frank Griffel, *Sharia: Islamic Law in Contemporary Context*

Rex Ahdar (ed.), *Sharia in the West* (Oxford, 2010)

Robert Spencer, *The Myth of Islamic Tolerance: How Islamic Law Treats Non-Muslims* (Prometheus, 2005)

Muhamad Ali, "The Rise of the Liberal Islamic Network (JIL) in Contemporary Indonesia". *American Journal of Islamic Social Sciences*. Vol. 22:1, 2005, pp.1-27.

Week 5, October 29th: Politics:

Islamic State, Democracy, Secularism, Violence, *Jihad*, Terrorism

Primary Readings:

Khaled Abou el-Fadl, *The Great Theft*

Princeton Readings in Islamist Thought, Part II: Remaking the Islamic State and Part IV: Violence, Action, and Jihad, Part V: Globalizing Jihad

Who Speaks for Islam, Chapter 2: "Democracy or Theocracy", pp.29-63, Chapter 3: "What Makes A Radical", pp. 65-98

Further Readings and Sources for Essays

Charles Kurzman, ed., *Liberal Islam: A Sourcebook*, Chapter 1, 96, 24, 22,

Clinton Bennett, *Muslims and Modernity*, pp. 40-81,198-236

Bruce Lawrence, ed., *Messages to the World: the Statements of Osama bin Laden*

Natana DeLong-Bas, *Wahhabi Islam: From Revival and Reform to Global Jihad*

David Commins, *the Wahabi Mission and Saudi Arabia*

Sayyid Qutb, *Milestone*

Richard Martin & Abbas Barzegar, eds., *Islamism: Contested Perspectives on Political Islam*

Abdullah al-Naim, *Islam and the Secular State*

Charles Kurzman (ed.), *Liberal Islam: A Sourcebook* (Oxford University Press, 1998)

Charles Kurzman, ed., *Modernist Islam 1840-1940: A Sourcebook* (Oxford, 2002)

Robert Hefner, *Civil Islam: Muslims and Democratization in Indonesia*

Robert W. Hefner, "Public Islam and the Problem of Democratization", *The Sociology of Religion*, Vol.62, No.4, Winter 2001, pp.491-514.

Arskal Salim and Azyumardi Azra (eds), *Shari'a and Politics in Modern Indonesia*

Masoud Kamali, "Civil Society and Islam: A Sociological Perspective" (iLearn)

Abdolkarim Soroush, *Reason, Freedom, and Democracy in Islam*

Khaled Abou el- Fadl, *Islam and the Challenge of Democracy*

Khaled Abou el-Fadl, *The Great Theft*

Benazir Bhutto, *Reconciliation: Islam, Democracy and the West*

Azyumardi Azra, *Indonesian, Islam, and Democracy: Dynamics in a Global Context*

Beverley Milton-Edwards, *Islam and Violence in the Modern Era*

Muhammed Abu-Nimer, *Nonviolence and peace Building in Islam*

Michael Bonner, *Jihad in Islamic History: Doctrines and Practice*

Noorhaidi Hasan, *Laskar Jihad: Islam, Militancy, and the Quest for Identity in Post-New Order Indonesia*

Dale F.Eickelman and James Piscatory, *Muslim Politics* (Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 1996)

Michael Laffan, *Islamic Nationhood and Colonial Indonesia* (Taylor & Francis, 2007)

John L.Esposito & John O. Voll, *Islam and Democracy* (Oxford University Press, 1996)

Nazih Ayubi, *Political Islam: Religion and Politics in the Arab World* (Routledge, 1991)

Fathi Osman, "Human Rights in Islam"

Elizabeth Bucar & Barbra Barnett, eds, *Does Human Rights Need God?* (Michigan: William B. Eerdmans, 2005)

Nader Hashemi, *Islam, Secularism and Liberal Democracy*

Talal Asad, *Suicide Bombing*

Reza Aslan, *How to Win A Cosmic War*

Abdulaziz Sachedina, *The Islamic Roots of Democratic Pluralism*

Muhamad Ali, Islamic Liberalism in Southeast Asia. Editor(s): Robert Repino. Imtiyaz Yusuf . Oxford University Press. New York. Oxford Islamic Studies Online. 7p. 2012,
[Website: http://www.oxfordislamicstudies.com/Public/whats_new.html](http://www.oxfordislamicstudies.com/Public/whats_new.html).

Muhamad Ali, Moderate Islamic Movements in Contemporary Indonesia. Islamic Thought and Movements in Contemporary Indonesia. Editors: Rizal Sukma, Clara Joewono. Center for Strategic and International Studies. Jakarta, Indonesia, 2007. p.195-236.

Week 6, November 5th: Woman and Gender

Primary Readings:

Amina Wadud, *Qur'an and Woman: Rereading the Sacred Text from a Woman's Perspective*
Euben & Qasim Zaman, *Princeton Readings in Islamist Thought, Part III: Islamism and Gender*
Who Speaks for Islam, Chapter 4: What Do Women Want?, pp.99-133

Further Readings and Sources for Essays

Charles Kurzman, ed., *Liberal Islam: A Sourcebook*, chapter 11, 12, 13, 14, 15.
Clinton Bennett, *Muslims and Modernity*, pp.129-150.
Laila Ahmed, *Women and Gender in Islam*
Khaled Abou el-Fadl, *The Great Theft*
Saba Mahmood, *Politics of Piety: The Islamic Revival and the Feminist Subject*
Feminism in Islam
Islam and Homosexuality
Allah, Love, and Liberty
Barbara Freyer Stowasser, *Women in the Qur'an, Traditions, and Interpretation* (Oxford University Press, 1994)
Leila Ahmed, *Women and Gender in Islam* (Yale University Press, 1992)
Stephen Murray and Will Roscoe, *Islamic Homosexualities: Culture, History, and Literature* (New York University, 1997)
Yvonne Yazbeck Haddad & John L. Esposito, *Islam, Gender, and Social Change* (Oxford University Press, 1998)
Kecia Ali, *Sexual Ethics & Islam: Feminist Reflections on Qur'an, Hadith, and Jurisprudence* (Oneworld Publications, 2006)
Barbara C. Aswad and Barbara Bilgé, eds, *Family and Gender among American Muslims: Issues Facing Middle Eastern Immigrants and Their Descendants* (Temple, 1996)
Jamillah Karim, *American Muslim Woman: Negotiating Race, Class, and Gender within the Ummah* (New York University, 2009)
Muhamad Ali, "Jihad: East Asia, Southeast Asia, and Australia". Brill Academic Publishers. Leiden. The Encyclopedia of Women and Islamic Culture. 2004, p.231-234.

Week 7, HOLIDAY (?), November 12th (a movie discussion if not holiday)

Week 8, November 19th: Economy and Capitalism

Primary Readings:

Vali Nasr, *The Rise of Islamic Capitalism: Why the New Muslim Middle Class Is the Key to Defeating Extremism*

Princeton Readings in Islamist Thought, Chapter 7: Muhammad Baqir Al-Sadr “the General Framework of the Islamic Economy

Who Speaks for Islam, Chapter 5: Clash or Coexistence? , 133-166

Further Readings and Sources for Essays

Johan Fischer, *Proper Islamic Consumption: Shopping among the Malays in Modern Malaysia* (NIAS Press, 2008)

Timur Kuran, *Islam and Mammon: The Economic Predicaments of Islamism* (Princeton: 2005)

Maxime Robinson, *Islam and Capitalism*

Muhamad Ali, ‘Islam and Economic Development in New Order’s Indonesia’ in Nadirsyah (ed.), *Islam in Southeast Asia*

Charles Tripp, two chapters, *Islam and the Moral Economy: the Challenge of Capitalism* (Cambridge University Press, 2007) (*ilearn)

John Esposito & John Voll (eds), *Makers of Contemporary Islam*

Sayyid Qutb, *Social Justice in Islam*

Majid Khadduri, *The Islamic Conception of Justice* (Johns Hopkins, 2001)

Ali, M. 2004. Information about the publication that was reviewed: (Working Paper) "Islam and Economic Development in New Order's Indonesia" 1967-1998. East-West Center Working Papers. p. 1-24. Vol. 12. Or Muhamad Ali, Islam and Economic Development in New Order's Indonesia (1967-1998). *Islam in Southeast Asia*. Editors: Joseph Chinyong Liow, Nadirsyah Hosen. Routledge: Taylor & Francis Group. London and New York. 2010. Vol. 3: p.7-28.

Week 9, November 26 : Student Presentations

Week 10, December 3: Student Presentations

Week 11, December 10th: FINAL PAPER DUE

More Readings on Islamic Public Discourse in the Modern Time

Elizabeth Bucar & Barbra Barnett, eds, *Does Human Rights Need God?* (Michigan: William B. Eerdmans, 2005)

Dale F. Eickelman and James Piscatory, *Muslim Politics* (Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 1996)

- Samuel Huntington, *The Clash of Civilizations and the Remaking of World Order* (London: Simon & Schuster, 1997)
- Ali S. Asani, “”So That You May Know One Another”: A Muslim American Reflects on Pluralism and Islam”, *Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*, Vol.588, July 2003, pp.40-51.
- Dale Eickelman & Jon W.Anderson, eds, *The New Media in the Muslim World*, pp.1-16
- Timothy P. Daniels, “Liberals, Moderates, and Jihadists: Protesting Danish Cartoons in Indonesia”, *Contemporary Islam*, October 2007, I, pp.231-246.
- Edward W.Said, *Covering Islam: How the Media and the Experts Determine How to See the Rest of the World*, chapter “Islam as News”
- TIME, “Should Christians Convert Muslims?”, June 3, 2003 www.time.com
- TIME, “The Struggle within Islam?”, September 13, 2004. www.time.com
- Shadi Mokhtari, “The Search for Human Rights within an Islamic Framework in Iran”, *The Muslim World*, vol.94, October 2004.
- Michael S. Merry, “Should Educators Accommodate Intolerance? Mark Halstead, Homosexuality, and the Islamic Case”, *Journal of Moral Education*, Vol.34, No.1, March 2005, pp.19-36.
- Khaleel Mohammed, “Sex, Sexuality, and the Family”, *Companion to the Qur’an*, pp. 298-307.
- Abdullahi A. An-Naim, “Political Islam in National Politics and International Relations”, Peter Berger, ed., *The Desecularization of the World*, pp.103-21.
- Sami Zubaida, “Trajectories of Political Islam: Egypt, Iran, and Turkey”, *The Political Quarterly*, 2000.
- Jenny B. White, *Islamist Mobilization in Turkey: A Study in Vernacular Politics*
- Talal Asad, *On Suicide Bombing*
- Mohammed Abu-Nimer, “A Framework for Nonviolence and Peacebuilding in Islam”, *Journal of Law and Religion*, vol.15, No.1/2, 2000-2001, pp.217-265
- John L. Esposito & John O.Voll, “Islam and the West: Muslim Voices of Dialogue”, *Millennium: Journal of International Studies*, vol.29, No.3, 1 December 2000, pp.613-639
- Salwa Ismail, “Being Muslim: Islam, Islamism, and Identity Politics”, *Government and Opposition*, Oxford: Blackwell Publishing, 2004.
- Ali A. Mazrui, “Islam and the United States: Streams of Convergence, Strands of Divergence”, *Third World Quarterly*, Vol.25, No.5, 2004, pp.793-820.
- The Pew Research Center, “Religion and Politics: Contention and Consensus”, released July 24, 2003.
- The Pew Research Center, “Muslim Americans: Middle Class and Mostly Mainstream”, May 22, 2007.
- Mohamed-Cherif Ferjani, “Islam and Politics: The terms of the Debate”, *History and Anthropology*, 16, 1, March 2005, pp.75-83
- Bernard Lewis, “Islam Partially Perceived”, *First Things*, January 1996.

- Samuel Huntington, *The Clash of Civilizations and The Remaking of World Order* (London: Touchstone Books, 1996)
- Stephen G. Carter, "Christopher Dawson and Ayatollah Khatami and 'The Dialogue of Civilizations': A Christian-Muslim Conversation", *Islam and Christian-Muslim Relations*, vol.18, No.3, July 2007, pp.403-420.
- Meir Litvak, "The Islamization of the Palestinian-Israeli Conflict: The Case of Hamas", *Middle East Studies*, Vol.34, No.1, Jan 1998, pp.148-163.
- Huntington, Samuel P. "The Clash of Civilizations?", *Foreign Affairs*, 72, no.3, Summer, 1993
- Beverly Milton-Edwards, "The Concept of Jihad and the Palestinian Islamic Movement: A Comparison of Ideas and Techniques", *British Journal of Middle Eastern Studies*, vol.19, No.1 (1992), pp.48-53.
- Muslim Public Affairs Council, "Envisioning Peace: A Muslim American Perspective on the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict"
- Bryan S. Turner, "Sovereignty and Emergency: Political Theology, Islam and American Conservatism", *Theory, Culture & Society*, 2002, vol.19, No. 4, 103-119.
- Richard Crockatt, "No Common Ground? Islam, Anti Americanism, and the United States", *European Journal of American Culture*, Vol.23, No.2, 2004.
- Segesvary, Victor, *Dialogue of Civilizations: An Introduction to Civilizational Analysis* (Lanham, New York, Oxford: University Press of America, Inc., 2000)
- Majid Tehranian, "Globalization and Religious Resurgence: An Historical Perspective", *The Muslim World*, Vol.97, July 2007
- Jane I. Smith, *Islam in America*
- Kambiz Ghaneabassiri, *A History of Islam in America*
- Tariq Ramadan, *Western Muslims and the Future of Islam*
- Tariq Ramadan, *Radical Reform*
- Tariq Ramadan, *In the Footsteps of the Prophet*
- Sufism in the West*
- Julia Howell and Martin van Bruinessen, eds., *Sufism and the Modern*

Novels and Travelogues:

- Greg Mortenson and David Oliver Relin, *Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission to Promote Peace... One School at a Time* (Penguin Books, 2006)
- Mohsin Hamid, *The Reluctant Fundamentalist* (Harcourt, Inc. 2007)
- Kamran Pasha, *Mother of the Believers: A Novel of the Birth of Islam* (Washington Square Press, 2009)
- V.S. Naipaul, *Among the Believers: An Islamic Journey* (Vintage Books, 1982)
- Khaled Hosseini, *The Kite Runner* (Penguin, 2003)

DVDs on Islam

Paradise Now, 2005. Two Palestinians planning a suicide mission in Tel Aviv.
America at a Crossroads, a PBS series of 11 films exploring the challenges confronting the world post 9/11, including the war on terrorism, the conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan, the experience of American troops, the struggle for balance within the Islamic world, Muslim life in America, and perspectives on America's role globally.
Occupation 101: Voices of the Silenced Majority
The Story of Islam, MPI Media Group, 1983
Islam: Empire of Faith, PBS, 2000
Muhammad: Legacy of A Prophet, Kikim Media and Unity Productions Foundation, 2002
Inside Islam, the History Channel, 2002
Inside Mecca, National Geographic, 2003
Secrets of the Koran, the History Channel, 2006
The Road to 9/11, 2005.
Long Road to Heaven. 2007.
Encounter Point. 2006.

Useful Websites:

www.globalquran.com

www.quranexplorer.com

http://www.searchtruth.com/hadith_books.php

www.islaam.com

www.britannica.com

www.muslimchannels.tv

www.islamicweb.com

www.islamicfinder.org

www.beliefnet.com

www.islamicart.com

<http://www.america.gov/publications/books/being-muslim-in-america.html>

Pew Forum on Religion & Public Life: www.pewforum.org

<http://pewforum.org/religion-politics/>

www.pewresearch.org

First Things: A Journal of Religion, Culture and Public Life <http://www.firstthings.com/>

Initiative on Religion in International Affairs

http://belfercenter.ksg.harvard.edu/project/57/religion_in_international_affairs.html

Religion and Human Rights <http://religionhumanrights.com/>

www.religionlink.org