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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Visiting Assistant Professor, Theology Department and Islamic Civilizations and Societies Program, Boston College, 2012-present

Part-Time Faculty, Theology Department and Islamic Civilization and Societies Program, Boston College, 2004-2012

Visiting Professor of Islamic Studies, Department of Near East and Judaic Studies, Brandeis University, 2005-2007.

EDUCATION

Ph.D. History (2002) Georgetown University
Dissertation: Muhammad Ibn Abd al-Wahhab: An Intellectual Biography, defended with Distinction
Examination Fields: History of Middle East and North Africa (major), History of Europe (minor) Islam and Politics (collateral), and 18th century Islamic Studies (collateral), with Distinction

M.A.A.S. Arab Studies (1993) Georgetown University (History and International Business and Economics)

B. A. French with minors in International Comparative Politics and Secondary Education certification (1990) Middlebury College
Cum laude with High Honors in French.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Modern and Contemporary Islamic Thought and Practice (18th century through present)
Arabian Gulf countries, with special focus on Saudi Arabia
Wahhabism, Salafism and Jihadism
Islamic-Christian Relations
Comparative Religious Extremism (Islam and Christianity)
Women and Gender
Islamic Law
Religion and the Environment (Islam and Christianity)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Jihad for Islam: The Struggle for the Future of Saudi Arabia. New York: Oxford University Press, in progress.

Scholars, Stateswomen, Saints, and Seductresses: Restoring Women to the Heart of Islamic History, in progress.

BOOK PUBLICATIONS

The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, 2 vols. Editor-in-Chief. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013. Winner of the 2013 Prose Award Honorable Mention for multi-volume reference from the American Publishing Association.

Wahhabi Islam: From Revival and Reform to Global Jihad. New York: Oxford University Press, 2004, rev. ed. 2008. Named “1 of the 5 Best Books for Understanding Islam” by The Wall Street Journal, November 11, 2006. Translated into Russian and Arabic.

Notable Muslims: Muslim Builders of World Civilization and Culture. Oxford: OneWorld Publications, 2006, rev. ed. 2008.

Women in Muslim Family Law, Second Edition, John L. Esposito with Natana J. DeLong-Bas. Syracuse, NY: Syracuse University Press, 2001.

POSITIONS

Academic Council, Prince Alwaleed bin Talal Center for Muslim-Christian Understanding, Georgetown University, September 2014-present.

Consultant to the United Nations for Saudi Arabian foreign policy issues, July 2014-present

Board of Directors, American Council for the Study of Islamic Societies, April, 2014-present.

Peer Reviewer, Qatar National Research Fund, January 2014-present.

Advisory Board, *Journal of Islam and the Contemporary World*, King Faisal Center for Research and Islamic Studies, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, August 2012-present.

Member of Our Shared Future Opinion Leaders Network, The British Council, May 2011 – present.

Consultant to the US Government, 2004-present.

Consultant to PhaseOne Communications, 2005-2012.

Consultant to the RAND Corporation, 2007-2009.

Anonymous Reviewer for various academic presses and refereed journals.

REFERENCE PROJECTS

Editor-in-Chief, *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women*. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013. Winner of the 2014 Prose Award Honorable Mention for multi-volume reference from the American Publishing Association.

Advisory Editor, *Oxford Bibliographies Online – Islamic Studies*. New York: Oxford University Press, 2009.

Deputy Editor, *The Oxford Encyclopedia of the Modern Islamic World*, revised edition. New York: Oxford University Press, 2009.

Deputy Editor, *Oxford Islamic Studies Online*. New York: Oxford University Press, launched October 2007.

Editor and Senior Researcher, *Oxford Dictionary of Islam*, ed. John L. Esposito, Oxford University Press, 2003. Author of over 300 entries and editor of over 400 entries.

ARTICLES

“Foreign Policy in Saudi Arabia,” edited work by Ajit Banerjee, United Nations, forthcoming 2015.

“Abdul Aziz Al Al-Shaykh.” The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Law, Editor-in-Chief, Jonathan Brown. New York: Oxford University Press, forthcoming 2014.

“Political Islam in Saudi Arabia,” in The Oxford Handbook of Islam and Politics, eds. John L. Esposito and Emad El-Din Shahin. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“Rolling Stone: Cutting Edge or Cutting Deep?,” published globally through Common Ground News Service, July 2013.

“Algeria,” in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“Barakah,” in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“Bouhired, Djamilia,” in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“Culture and Expression: Theoretical Overview,” in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“Dhimmi,” in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“Feminism: Concept and Debates,” in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“Feminism: Nature of Islamic Feminism,” in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“Gender Construction: Early Islam,” in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“Gender Studies and Women: History of the Field,” in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“Honor,” in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“Hygiene,” in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“Immigration and Minorities: Theoretical Overview,” in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“International League of Muslim Women,” in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“Investment and Commerce, Women’s Historical Practices,” with Sara Bazoobandi in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“Islam and Women: 18th to early 20th Century Debates,” with Farkhonda Zia Mansoor, in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“Jameelah, Maryam,” in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“Khawarij,” in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“Marriage: Contemporary,” with Zaher Oter, in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“Mourning,” in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“Politics and Polity, Theoretical Overview,” in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“Purification,” in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“Scholarly Approaches and Theoretical Constructs,” in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“Sharia, Fiqh, Philosophy and Reason: Theoretical Overview,” in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“United Nations Fund for Population Activities,” in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“Wahhabiyah,” in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“Wealth, Welfare and Labor,” in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“Women and Social Protest,” with Ala’i Nadjib in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“Workforce, Women in the: Historical Discourse,” with in The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women, Editor-in-Chief, Natana J. DeLong-Bas. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013.

“Women of the Arab Spring, Beyond Objects and Subjects,” published globally through Common Ground News Service, January 2013.

“Saudi ‘Islamic Solidarity Summit’ spans Sectarian Divisions,” September 11, 2012, published globally through Common Ground News Service.

“Muhammad Ibn ‘Abd al-Wahhab,” in I.B. Tauris Biographical Dictionary of Islamic Civilization, ed. Mustafa Shah. London: I. B. Tauris, 2012.

“Muhammad Ibn Sa’ud,” in I.B. Tauris Biographical Dictionary of Islamic Civilization, ed. Mustafa Shah. London: I. B. Tauris, 2012.

“All American Muslims, and Christians,” Op-Ed piece, December 2011, published globally through Common Ground News Service.

“The Women of the Arab Spring: Their Issues are Everyone’s Issues,” October 2011, published globally through Common Ground News Service.

“The Norway Attacks and the Price of Fear,” Op-Ed piece, July 2011, published globally through Common Ground News Service.

“Driving toward gender equality in Saudi Arabia,” Op-Ed piece, July 2011, published globally through Common Ground News Service.

“Women of the Arab Spring: from protesters to parliamentarians?,” Op-Ed piece, June 2011, published throughout the US, Middle East, Europe and Southeast Asia through Common Ground News Service.

“Focus On: The New Social Media and the Arab Spring,” Oxford Islamic Studies Online, May 2011.

“Focus On: Saudi Arabia – Challenges for the 21st Century,” March 2011.

“Focus On: Interfaith Dialogue,” Oxford Islamic Studies Online, March 2010.

“What Saudi Women Really Want,” *Saudi Arabia, 1979-2009*. Washington, DC: Middle East Institute, October 2009.

“Five Pillars,” Oxford Bibliographies Online – Islamic Studies. New York: Oxford University Press, 2009.

“Wahhabism,” Oxford Bibliographies Online – Islamic Studies. New York: Oxford University Press, 2009.

“Al-Qa’ida,” Oxford Bibliographies Online – Islamic Studies. New York: Oxford University Press, 2009.

“Jihad,” Oxford Bibliographies Online – Islamic Studies. New York: Oxford University Press, 2009.

“Wahhabis.” The Encyclopedia of Global Religions. SAGE Publications, Inc, 2009.

“Bin Baz, Shaykh.” The Encyclopaedia of Islam, 3rd edition. Leiden: E.J. Brill, 2008.

“Osama bin Laden.” The Oxford Encyclopedia of the Islamic World. New York: Oxford University Press, 2009.

“Al-Qa’ida.” The Oxford Encyclopedia of the Islamic World. New York: Oxford University Press, 2009.

“Wahhabism,” The Oxford Encyclopedia of the Islamic World. New York: Oxford University Press, 2009.

“Wahhabism,” Encyclopedia of the Modern World. Oxford University Press, 2008.

“Jihad and the Wahhabi Tradition: Continuity or Change?” in Islam and Jihad: Theology and Politics, ed. Taj Hargey. 2008.

“Muhammad Ibn Abd al-Wahhab and Wahhabi Ideology: Do Ibn Abd al-Wahhab’s Teachings Matter to Contemporary Wahhabis?” in Understanding Wahhabism, ed. Mohammad Ayoub. East Lansing, MI: Michigan State University Press, 2008.

“Usama bin Ladin,” Biographical Encyclopedia of the Modern Middle East, ed. Michael R. Fishbach. Gale Cengage, 2007.

“Focus On: Women, Islam and the Twenty-first Century,” lead article for Oxford Islamic Studies Online launch, October 2007.

“World History Chronology,” for Oxford Islamic Studies Online, launched October 2007.

“Islamic History Chronology,” for Oxford Islamic Studies Online, launched October 2007.

“Jihad in the Wahhabi Tradition: Continuity and Change,” in Understanding Jihad, Deconstructing Jihadism, eds. Caroline Ziemke and M.A. Muqtedar Khan. Institute for Defense Analysis and Prince Alwaleed bin Talal Center for Muslim-Christian Understanding, 2007.

“Children in Saudi Arabia,” in Greenwood Encyclopedia of Children’s Issues Worldwide, ed. Ghada Talhami. Greenwood Publishing Group, 2007.

“On Jihad and Terrorism, or Wahhabism versus Jihadism,” Al-Daawah Magazine, Saudi Arabia, March 2005.

“Daw’ah and Jihad in the Works of Muhammad Ibn Abd al-Wahhab: An Ideology for Expansionism?,” in *Wahhabism Revisited* (working title), ed. David Commins. Riyadh: King Abd al-Aziz Center for Research and Archives, forthcoming 2005.

“Terrorism in Riyadh: A View from Within,” Al-Daawah Magazine, Saudi Arabia, June 2004.

“Wahhabis,” *Encyclopaedia of the Quran*, ed. Jane Dammen McAuliffe. Leiden: E.J. Brill, 2004.

“Classical Islam,” John L. Esposito with Natana J. De Long-Bas, in *God’s Rule: The Politics of World Religions*, ed. Jacob Neusner. Washington, DC: Georgetown University Press, 2003.

“Modern Islam,” John L. Esposito with Natana J. De Long-Bas, in *God’s Rule: The Politics of World Religions*, ed. Jacob Neusner. Washington, DC: Georgetown University Press, 2003.

BOOK REVIEWS

Women, Islam and Resistance in the Arab World. Maria Holt and Haifaa Jawad. Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner Publishers, 2013. Review of Middle East Studies, forthcoming.

Historiography in Saudi Arabia: Globalization and the State in the Middle East. Jorg Matthias Determann. London: I.B. Tauris, 2014. Review of Middle East Studies, forthcoming.

The New Arabs: How the Millennial Generation is Changing the Middle East. Juan Cole. New York: Simon & Schuster, 2014. *The Middle East Journal*, Vol. 69, No. 1, Winter 2015.

A Most Masculine State: Gender, Politics, and Religion in Saudi Arabia. Madawi Al-Rasheed. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2013. *The Middle East Journal*, Vol. 76, No. 4, Autumn 2013.

Marriage and Slavery in Early Islam. Kecia Ali. Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 2010. The Historian, Vol. 74, No. 2, 2012.

Faisal: King of Saudi Arabia. Gerald de Gaury. Louisville, KY: Fons Vitae, 2007. The Historian, 2009.

Polygamy and Law in Contemporary Saudi Arabia. Maha A. Z. Yamani. Reading, UK: Ithaca Press, 2008. Islamic Law and Society, 2009.

Martyrdom in Islam. David Cook. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2007. The Historian, 71:2, 2009.

Guests of God: Pilgrimage and Politics in the Islamic World. Robert R. Bianchi. New York: Oxford University Press, 2004. The Historian, 2006.

Faith & Freedom: Women’s Human Rights in the Muslim World, ed. Mahnaz Afkhami. Syracuse, NY: Syracuse University Press, 1995. Journal of Law and Religion. Vol. XV, Nos. 1 and 2, 2000-2001.

Religion, Law and Society: A Christian-Muslim Discussion, ed. Tarek Mitri. Geneva: WCC Publications, 1995. Journal of Law and Religion. Vol. XV, Nos. 1 and 2, 2000-2001.

The Status of Women Under Islamic Law. Jamal J. Nasir. Boston: Graham & Trotman, 1990. Journal of Law and Religion. Vol. XV, Nos. 1 and 2, 2000-2001.

The Islamization of the Law in Pakistan, Rubya Mehdi. Richmond: Curzon, 1994. Journal of Law and Religion. Vol. XV, Nos. 1 and 2, 2000-2001.

Women in Muslim Societies: Diversity Within Unity, ed. Herbert L. Bodman and Nayereh Tohidi. Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner Publishers, 1998. Arab Studies Journal 8:2, Fall, 2000.

The History of Saudi Arabia. Alexei Vassiliev. London: Saqi Books, 1998. Religious Studies Review. 15: 1 and 2, 2000-2001.

Islamic Fundamentalism. Edited by Abdel Salam Sidahmed and Anoushiravan Ehteshami. Boulder, CO: Westview Press, 1996. Religious Studies Review. 15: 1 and 2, 2000-2001.

Islamic Law and Finance: Religion, Risk, and Return. Frank E. Vogel and Samuel L. Hayes, III. Cambridge, MA: Kluwer Law International, 1998. Religious Studies Review. 15: 1 and 2, 2000-2001.

Persia and the Gulf: Retrospect and Prospect. John F. Standish. New York: St. Martin's Press, 1998. Arab Studies Journal 7:2, Fall, 1999.

Hijrah in Islam. Zafarul-Islam Khan. London: Pharos Media and Publishing, 1997. Periodica Islamica, 1999.

The Ottoman Gulf: The Creation of Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, and Qatar. Frederick Anscombe. New York: Columbia University Press, 1997. Arab Studies Journal 6:2/7:1, Fall, 1998/Spring, 1999.

The Muslims of America, edited by Yvonne Yazbeck Haddad. New York: Oxford University Press, 1991. American Muslim Quarterly 1:1, Fall, 1997.

CONFERENCE AND GOVERNMENT PRESENTATIONS

"Islam for Catholics 101," School of Theology and Ministry, Boston College, March 5, 2015.

"The Role of Women in Solidifying 18th Century Revival and Reform Movements as Ongoing Mass Movements," Colloquium in honor of John Voll's retirement, Georgetown University, April 9, 2014.

"Religion, Tradition and National Identity in Saudi Arabia: The Construction of the 21st Century Saudi Citizen," American Council for the Study of Islamic Societies (ACSIS) 2014 Annual Conference, Georgia Regents University, April 4-5, 2014.

"Between the Sacred and Profane: The Future of Political Islam," Critical Connections and Karuna Peacebuilding Center, Amherst, MA, February 11, 2014.

"Unintended Consequences: Implications of Saudi State Development Policies on Marriage and Family Patterns," Impact of Changing Population Dynamics on the Arab Family, Doha International Family Institute, Doha, Qatar, December 2-3, 2013.

"Politics, Religious Pluralism, and the Media: The Future of Muslim-Christian Relations Globally & in America," Chair, Muslim-Christian Relations in the 21st Century: Challenges & Opportunities, Prince Alwaleed Bin Talal Center for Muslim-Christian Understanding, Georgetown University, November 21, 2013.

“Justice in Islam,” Boston College, October 22, 2012.

“The Arab Spring and the Globalization and Glocalization of the Tactics of Non-Violence,” Fifth International Conference on Global Studies, Moscow State University, Moscow, Russia, June 20-22, 2012.

“Saudi Arabia and the Gulf: Looking for the Arab Spring,” Prince Alwaleed Bin Talal Center for Muslim-Christian Understanding, Georgetown University, March 21, 2012.

“Shifting perspectives: Will the ‘Arab Spring’ help change perceptions of Islam?,” conference on “Deconstructing the ‘Clash of Civilizations’: Towards a New Paradigm,” jointly organized by The British Council and the Prince Alwaleed Bin Talal Center for Muslim-Christian Understanding, Georgetown University, May 24-25, 2011.

Participant in “A Common Word Between Us and You: A Global Agenda for Change,” Georgetown University, October 8, 2009.

“Nouvelles Voix Americaines en Sira du Prophète Mohammed,” conference on La Sira du Prophète Mohammad dans les ecritures americaines,” Fez, Morocco, April 2009.

“Reconstructing a Public Voice for Islam: Amr Khaled’s Life Makers and A Call for Coexistence,” conference on Religion and Media, Tehran, Iran, November 2008. (Paper was accepted, but conference was cancelled at last minute.)

“Continuity and Change in the Wahhabi Tradition,” Loyola University, Chicago, IL, April 2007.

“Jihad and the Wahhabi Tradition: Continuity and Change,” conference on Understanding Jihad, Deconstructing Jihadism, The Prince Alwaleed bin Talal Center for Muslim-Christian Understanding, Georgetown University, November 2006.

“Jihad and the Wahhabi Tradition: Continuity or Change?” Annual Muslim Educational Center of Oxford (MECO) Conference, Oxford University, England, May 2006.

“Muhammad Ibn Abd al-Wahhab and the Wahhabi Ideology: Do Ibn Abd al-Wahhab’s Teachings Matter to Contemporary Wahhabis?,” Understanding Wahhabism Conference, Michigan State University, April 2006.

“Bridging the Gender Divide,” Women as Global Leaders Conference, Zayed University, Abu Dhabi, The United Arab Emirates, March 2006.

“Developing and Cultivating Role Models for Leadership,” Women as Global Leaders Conference, Zayed University, Abu Dhabi, The United Arab Emirates, March 2006.

“The United States, Islam and the Middle East,” The Pell Center for Public Policy and International Relations, Salve Regina University, November 2005.

“Wahhabism, Salafism, and Jihadism: The Ties That Bind?,” American Academy of Religion Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, November 2005.

“Recent Trends in Religious and Social Thought Pertaining to Women in Saudi Arabia,” Boston University, November 2005.

“Islam in the United States,” Islamic Awareness Week, Brandeis University, October 2005.

“Contemporary Saudi Arabia and US-Saudi Relations,” Rotary Club of El Paso, El Paso, TX, October 2005.

“US-Saudi Relations and Contemporary Saudi Arabia,” University of Texas, El Paso, TX, October 2005.

“Wahhabism Past and Present: From Revival and Reform to Global Jihad,” Franklin and Marshall College, March 21, 2005.

“Jihad in the Classical and Wahhabi Traditions,” Franklin and Marshall College, March 21, 2005.

“Empowering Women to Become Global Leaders: Turning Theory Into Practice,” conference on Women As Global Leaders, Zayed University, Dubai, United Arab Emirates, March 14-16, 2005.

“Wahhabism: Past and Present,” Boston College, December 2004.

“Wahhabism,” presentation to Congressional Staff, Rayburn Building, February 27, 2004.

“Islam and Its Contemporary Relationship with the West,” symposium for *The New Republic*, November 13, 2003.

“Wahhabism Past and Present,” symposium for *Congressional Quarterly*, September 17, 2003.

“Dawah and Jihad in the Works of Muhammad Ibn Abd al-Wahhab: An Ideology for Expansionism?,” Middle East Studies Association Annual Conference, forthcoming November, 2002. Panel co-organizer (with David Commins) for “Revisiting the Role of ‘Wahhabi’ Doctrine in Saudi Expansion.”

“Muhammad Ibn Abd al-Wahhab as Scholar-Activist: A Study in 18th Century *Tajdid* and *Islah*,” Middle East Studies Association Annual Conference, November, 1999. Panel organizer for “Reconsiderations of the 18th Century Muwahhidun (‘Wahhabi’) Movement in Arabia.”

PUBLIC LECTURES

“Islam 101: An Introduction,” Theology on Tap, Ayer, MA, February 17, 2014.

“Leadership and Diversity: The Case of Islam,” Shaw Leadership Program, Boston College, January 27, 2014.

“Islam 101: An Introduction,” Vinemont Community Lutheran Church, Reinholds, PA, August 4, 2013.

“Take Back the Night,” Keynote Address, Annual Take Back the Night, Boston College, April 10, 2013.

“Islam in the United Arab Emirates,” presentation to St. Matthew Evangelical Lutheran Church, Lebanon, PA, March 20, 2005.

“Islam 101,” Seminar conducted for the Women of the New England Evangelical Lutheran Church of America (ELCA), September 24 and 25, 2004.

“Islam: An Introduction for Christians,” Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Westborough, MA, Sept. 29, 2002.

“Palestinian Christians and the Arab-Israeli Conflict,” Adult Forum, Trinity Lutheran Church, Chelmsford, MA, April 28 and May 12 and 19, 2002.

“Islam and the Sept. 11 Attacks,” Lutheran Clergy Meeting, Woburn, MA, Mar. 12, 2002.

“Understanding the World Trade Center Attacks: What Does Religion Have To Do With It?,” 8th Annual Lay School of Theology, Worcester, MA, Feb. 24, March 3, 10, and 17, 2002.

“Islam and the Sept. 11 Attacks,” St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Lebanon, PA, Feb. 27, 2002.

“Women in Islam Today,” Trinity Lutheran Church, Chelmsford, MA, Feb. 18, 2002.

“Mary and Jesus in the Quran,” Trinity Lutheran Church, Chelmsford, MA, Feb. 4, 2002.

“Old Testament Women in the Quran,” Trinity Lutheran Church, Chelmsford, MA, Jan. 21, 2002.

“Women’s Rights and Human Rights in Islam,” Lutheran Church of the Two Newtons, Newton Center, MA, Dec. 9, 2001.

“Understanding the World Trade Center Attacks: What Does Religion Have To Do With It?,” Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Manchester, NH, Oct. 28 and Nov. 4, 2001.

“Understanding the World Trade Center Attacks: What Does Religion Have To Do With It?,” Trinity Lutheran Church, Chelmsford, MA, Sept. 30, Oct. 7, 14 and 21, 2001.

“Women in Islam,” St. Matthew Lutheran Church, Lebanon, PA, March 14, 1999.

“The Role of Islam in the Development of Nationalism in Tunisia, Morocco and Algeria,” Georgetown University, March 17, 1997.

“Interpretations of ‘Abd al-Qadir: An Odyssey Through Time and Historiography,” Georgetown University, February 24, 1997.

MEDIA INTERVIEWS

“What is Wahhabism?,” Analysis, BBC-4 Radio, aired February 10, 2014.

“The Oxford Encyclopedia of Islam and Women,” Faculty Publications interview with Jonas Barciauskas, Boston College Library, aired February 22, 2014.

“Muhammad Ibn ‘Abd al-Wahhab: A Documentary,” for Al-Jazeera, December 2013.

“Homosexuality in Islam,” interview with Bart Jones, Newsday, May 9, 2013.

“Youth in Saudi Arabia,” interview with Monitor 360, April 5, 2013.

“Wahhabi Islam,” interview with Saudi Al-Jazirah, Vienna, Austria, November 27, 2012.

“Wahhabi Islam,” interview with Al-Riyadh, Vienna, Austria, November 27, 2012.

“Expert on Wahhabi Islam,” Womenetics, Jan Jaben-Eilon, July 26, 2011.

“9/11: Debunking Myths of Islam Ten Years Later,” interview given to The Pulitzer Center for Crisis Reporting, posted on YouTube, September 10, 2011.

“Muslim-Christian Relations,” for “Mysteries of the Church” television series, Netny.net, November 19, 2010.

“In Saudi Arabia, women join fight against terror,” interview with Caryle Murphy, September 2010.

“World News in Context: Saudi Arabia,” BBC History Magazine. Interview with David Keys, November 2008.

“Wahhabism,” Interview with Asma Hanif, Religioscope, June 2008.

Consultant for PBS/RainMedia/MindSpring special on the history of Wahhabism and Saudi Arabia, December 2004 - present.

Interviewed for article on Muslim family law and sexuality in Saudi Arabia for article for The New Yorker, Nadia Labi, November 2006.

“Wahhabi Islam and Its Influence in US Mosques,” interview with Holly Leibowitz Rossi, Religious News Services, February 10, 2005.

Consultant for PBS FrontLine/BBC documentary on contemporary Saudi Arabia, December 2004 - February 2005.

“Muhammad Ibn Abd al-Wahhab and Osama Bin Laden: Contrasting Visions of Jihad,” Interview for Saudi National Television with Dr. Othman Abd al-Rawaf of the Saudi Majlis al-Shura, September 22, 2004.

Commentary on the 9/11 Commission Report for Bob Tammeus, the Kansas City Star, July 29, 2004.

“Wahhabism,” interview with John Kearney for the Ideas section of The Boston Globe, July 12, 2004.

The News Hour with Jim Lehrer, consultation with David Butterworth on the amnesty for militants, June 23, 2004.

Interview with Al-Riyadh Newspaper, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, April 2004.

The News Hour with Jim Lehrer, consulting with David Butterworth about two programs on Saudi Arabia, November, 2003.

“Wahhabism in Saudi Arabia: Past and Present,” Interview with David Kaplan, US News & World Report, November 7, 2003.

“Wahhabism,” interview with David Van Dima, Time Magazine, August 29, 2003.

“Muhammad Ibn Abdul Wahhab: An Intellectual Biography,” interview with Musaid Al-Tayyar, Al-Daawah Magazine, Saudi Arabia, July 2003.

Interview on “Muhammad Ibn Abd al-Wahhab: An Intellectual Biography,” Al-Majallah Magazine, Saudi Arabia, May 23, 2003.

Muhammad Ibn Abd al-Wahhab and the Historical Development of Wahhabism, interview with Laura Secor, The Boston Globe, December 6, 2002.

Wahhabism in the 20th Century, Newsweek, November 25, 2002.

“The Wahhabis of Chechnya - Real or Imagined Connections to the Wahhabis of Saudi Arabia?,” Radio Netherlands, November 20, 1999.

GRANTS AND AWARDS

Undergraduate Research Fellowship, Boston College, for assistance with work on women and gender issues related to education, Summer 2014.

Mentoring Award, AHANA (Asian, Hispanic, African and Native American) Appreciation Banquet, Boston College, April 2, 2013.

Mary Kaye Waldron Faculty/Staff Leadership Award, Honorable Mention, Boston College, March, 2011.

Dissertation Grant, King AbdulAziz Foundation for Research and Archives, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, July, 2001

“Crisis in the Haramayn: Religious Legitimacy or Practical Statesmanship? The Muwahhidun Conquest and the Ottoman Recovery of Mecca and Medina.” Third Prize, First Annual Hisham Sharabi Essay Contest, Georgetown University, May, 1997.

Fellow in History, Georgetown University, August, 1996-2002.

Arab Studies Scholarship, Georgetown University, August, 1991-May, 1993.

CAMPUS EVENTS/ACTIVITIES

Opening speaker at “Rumi Night on the Heights,” Boston College, October 10, 2014.

Participant in Afghanistan After the US Withdrawal, 2014, focus group at Boston College, AY 2013-2015.

“Frontier Gandhi: Badshah Khan, A Torch for Peace,” film screening and discussion with Director Teri McLuhan, Boston College, forthcoming Spring 2014.

Invitee to and participant in King Faisal Foundation 30th anniversary celebration, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, December 2013.

“Out of Cordoba,” film screening and discussion with Director Jacob Bender, Boston College, September 2013.

Invitee to and participant in Inauguration Ceremony for the King Abdullah International Center for Intercultural and Interfaith Dialogue (KAICIID), Vienna, Austria, November 2012.

Judge for ‘Color or Ash?’ Student photography annual competition sponsored by Global Zero, Boston College, 2012- present

“Inside Islam: What A Billion Muslims Really Think,” Chair for organization and panel discussion, Boston College, April 15, 2011.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Council for the Study of Islamic Societies
Association of Muslim Social Scientists of North America
Middle East Studies Association
American Academy of Religion

LANGUAGES

French (fluent) and Modern Standard Arabic (proficient)