Islam and Women
RG ST 119D
Spring 2011
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M/W 9:30-10:45
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Reading List

1) **Hambly**, Women in the Medieval Islamic World (bookstore)
2) **Mahmoud**, The Politics of the Veil (selections will be provided)
3) **Mernessi**, The Forgotten Queens of Islam (selections will be provided)
4) **Walsh**, The Politics of the Veil (bookstore)
5) **Weisberg and Appleton**, Modern Family Law: Cases and Materials (selections will be provided)

Grading

- 40% regular class participation—both the **quantity and quality** of the participation will be taken into account, especially the oral presentation.
- 60% two essays of 1,000 words each, due at the end of the 7th, and 10th week—**punctuality of submission, organization, accuracy, and originality** are taken into account.

I: Theory vs. Practice or Theory vs. Theory: Why are there Muslim Queens?

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II: Anytime, Anywhere in the Abode of Islam

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Wednesday 4/20    Sudan: *Hambly* 537-549
Monday 4/25      *Mernessi*: Selections I
Wednesday 4/27   *Mernessi*: Selections II

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Monday 5/2       Mini-Practicum: Students Present I
Wednesday 5/4    Mini-Practicum: Students Present II

**III: Modern Muslim Women**

Monday 5/9       Modern Muslim Women: *Mahmoud* Ch. 5
Wednesday 5/11   Veil III: *Walsh* Ch. 1-2
Monday 5/16      Veil III: *Walsh* Ch. 3-4
Wednesday 5/18   Veil III: *Walsh* Ch. 5-Conclusion

**IV: Families Modern and Premodern**

Monday 5/23      Modern Family: *Weisberg* 241-279
Wednesday 5/25   Medieval Family: *Hambly* 227-240

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Monday 5/30      Mini-Practicum: Students Present III
Wednesday 6/1    Mini-Practicum: Students Present IV