

Muslim Women in Politics

Syllabus / Spring 2012

Culture, Politics, Religion, The Question of Female Leadership

Jan. 17, and 19

Swanee Hunt. "Let Women Rule."

Amina Wadud. "Public Ritual Leadership and Gender Inclusiveness." In: *Inside the Gender Jihad*.

Jan.24, and 26

Amina Wadud. "Qur`an, Gender, and Interpretive Possibilities." In: *Inside the Gender Jihad*.

Barbara Freyer Stowasser. "The Qur`an and History." In: *Beyond the Exotic, Women's Histories in Islamic Societies*.

Jan. 31, and Feb.2

Haifaa Khalafallah. "Muslim Women: Public Authority, Scriptures, and "Islamic Law."" In: *Beyond the Exotic, Women's Histories in Islamic Societies*.

Denise A. Spellberg. "History Then, History Now. The Role of Medieval Islamic Religio-Political Sources in Shaping the Modern Debate on Gender." In: *Beyond the Exotic, Women's Histories in Islamic Societies*.

Powerful Women and the Medieval Islamic World.

Feb. 7, and 9

Idris Salim al-Hasan and Neil McHugh. "Sitt Nasra bint `Adlan: A Sudanese Noblewomen in History and Tradition." In: *Women in the Medieval Islamic World: Poser, Patronage, and Piety*.

Peter Jackson. " Sultan Radiyya bint Iltumish." In: *Women in the Medieval Islamic World: Poser, Patronage, and Piety*.

Farhad Daftari. "Sayyida Hurra: The Isma`ili Sulayhid Queen of Yemen." In: *Women in the Medieval Islamic World: Poser, Patronage, and Piety*.

Feb. 14, and 16

Maria Szuppe. "The 'Jewels of Wonder': Learned Ladies and Princess Politicians in the Provinces of Early Safavid Iran." In: *Women in the Medieval Islamic World: Poser, Patronage, and Piety*.

The Arab World/ Middle East and North Africa

Michaëlle Browers. "The Centrality and Marginalization of Women in Political Discourse of Arab Nationalists and Islamists."

Feb. 21, and 23

Amal Sabbagh. "The Arab States: "Enhancing Women's Political Participation."

Lisa Blaydes and Safinaz El Tarouty. "Women's Electoral Participation in Egypt: The Implications of Gender for Voter Recruitment and Mobilization."

Feb. 28, and March 1

Natalie Britton. "Women's Political Participation in Algeria and Morocco: A Comparison."

Abdelkader Cheref. "Engendering or Endangering Politics in Algeria? Salima Ghezali, Louisa Hanoune and Kahalida Messaoudi."

Rachel Hertz-Lazarowitz & Tamar Shapira "Muslim Women's Life Stories: Building Leadership."

March 6

Yesim Arat. "Women's Rights and Islam in Turkish Politics: The Civil Code Amendment."

Simten Cosar. "Women in Turkish political thought: between tradition and modernity."

March 8 Mid Term Exam

March 12-17 No Classes Spring Break

Africa

March 20

Antoinette Tidjani Alou. "Niger and Sarraounia: One Hundred Years of Forgetting Female Leadership."

Jonathan T. Reynolds. "Islam, Politics and Women's Rights." (Nigeria's Muslim Northern region)

South & South East Asia

March 22

General Essay

Gail Omvedt “Women in Governance in South Asia.”

India

March 27, and 29

Srilatha Batliwala and Deepa Dhanraj. “Gender Myths that Instrumentalise Women: A View from the Indian Frontline.”

Shirin Rai. “Class, Caste and Gender – Women in Parliament in India.”

Pakistan

Farhat Haq . “Militarism and Motherhood: The Women of the Lashkar-i-Tayyabia in Pakistan.”

Indonesia

April 3, and 5

Khofifah Indar Parawansa. “Enhancing Women’s Political Participation in Indonesia.”

Khofifah Indar Parawansa. “Obstacles to Women’s Political Participation in Indonesia.”

April 10, and 12

Sharyn Graham Davies. “Women in politics in Indonesia in the decade post-Beijing.”

Malaysia

Wan Azizah. “Women in Politics: Reflections from Malaysia”

Muslim Women In Museums, Media & Technologies

April 17, and 19

Carol Malt. “ Women, Museums, and the Public Sphere.”

Roksana Bahramitash “The War on Terror, Feminist Orientalism and Orientalist Feminism: Case Studies of Two North American Bestsellers.”

April 24, and 26

Myra Macdonald. “Muslim Women and the Veil, Problems of Image and voice in media representations.”

Loubna H. Skalli. “ Communicating Gender in the Public Sphere: Women and

May 1

Information Technologies in the MENA.”

Salam Al-Mahadin. “Arab Feminist Media Studies.”

May 4, Second Exam -Last day of Class