

Islamophobia in Perspectives

A speaker series exploring the historical context of Islamophobia as well as how Islamophobia shapes contemporary discourse of religion, culture, race, and gender.

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Islamophobia: A Perspective from an American Jewish Activist in the Movement for Justice

This presentation comes from the perspective of a Jewish American partner in the movement to challenge Islamophobia. Dr. Nevel discusses the different forms and manifestations of Islamophobia, and how to be an accountable, principled partner in the broader movement to challenge Islamophobia and racism.

Sept 13, 2017, 2-3:15p, Sykes 115

Understanding and Combating Islamophobia: What History Can Teach Us

Dr. Lawrence Davidson's talk places Islamophobia within an historical context. He underscores that ethnic and religious phobias have always been driven back by concerted resistance involving purposeful alliances and the reassertion of constitutional values. It is by learning this lesson and adopting a stance of permanent vigilance that American Muslims, and all other at-risk minorities, can best guarantee their futures.

Oct 12, 2017, 3:15-4:30p, Ballroom C

Islamophobia: What is New and What is Old

Dr. Muqtedar Khan will explore the historical basis of Islamophobia, arguing that there is a new dimension to the prejudice which is modern and post-cold war. Dr. Khan discusses the impact of Islamophobia on American Muslims and on US relations with the Muslim world. He also surveys ways to combat the prejudice and the positive steps already taken to combat it in the US.

Nov 6, 2017, 3:15-4:30p in Ballroom C

Race, Gender, and Islamophobia

Dr. Maryam Kashani draws on ethnographic research and theories of race and gender to chart how Islamophobia facilitates discourses regarding culture, race, gender, and sexuality in ways that are more accurately articulated as anti-Muslim racism. Dr. Kashani discusses how Muslim women, in terms of their relationships, rights and practices are impacted by such discourses and how they respond.

Feb 19, 2018, 2-3:15p, Ballroom C

