The UC Berkeley Center for Race and Gender Islamophobia Research and Documentation Project (IRDP)
Present

The 7th Annual Conference

Islamophobia: Has a tipping point been reached?

April 22-23, 2015
Boalt School of Law
University of California, Berkeley
Booth Auditorium

Conference co-sponsors: Asian American and Asian Diaspora Studies, Ethnic Studies, Near Eastern Studies, Asian Americans Advancing Justice-Asian Law Caucus, Al-Falah Program of the Center for Middle Eastern Studies, University of California, Berkeley. Arab and Muslim Ethnicities and Diaspora Studies, SFSU School of Ethnic Studies, Council on American Islamic Relations, Center for Islamic Studies of the Graduate Theological Union, Haas Institute for a Fair and Inclusive Society, Islamic Scholarship Fund, Muslim Student Association, Northern California Islamic Council, and Zaytuna College

Friday, April 22nd, 2016
Booth Auditorium

8:30am – 8:40am  Welcome & Conference Opening  
Hatem Bazian, Director, IRDP  
UC Berkeley and Zaytuna College

Panel 1:  8:45am – 10:30am

Title: Muslims and Islam: A Political Discourse and Subjectivity

Chair: Elsadig Elsheikh, Global Justice Program, Haas Institute for Fair and Inclusive Society

Mohamed Nawab Mohamed Osman, S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, A Graduate School of Nanyang Technological University, Singapore  
Un-Tipping the Balance: Understanding Islamophobia in Asia

Yassir Morsi, School of Global Urban Social Science at RMIT, Melbourne, Australia.  
The Reluctant "Muslim"

Selma Muhic Dzidarevic, Department of Civil Society Studies Charles University, Czech Republic.  
Islamophobia without Muslims – the case of the Czech Republic
Panel 2: 10:45am – 12:30PM

Title: Diverse Manifestation of Islamophobia: A Global View

Chair: Munir Jiwa, Director, Center for Islamic Studies, Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA.

John L Esposito, Director of Prince Alwaleed Bin Talal Center for Muslim-Christian Understanding, Georgetown University, Washington, DC.

Islamophobia and Radicalization

Damir Skenderovic, Department of Historical Sciences, University of Fribourg, Switzerland.

Islamophobia in Switzerland: historical roots and continuities

Omar Salha, Centre for Islamic Studies and Centre for International Studies and Diplomacy at SOAS University of London

Power and empire: re-orientalism of the Muslim object in popular culture

12:30 PM – 2PM Lunch Break

Juma’ Prayers are held on campus at 1:15PM at Hearst Gymnasium, a short walking distance from Boalt Hall School of Law and volunteers can provide direction.

Panel 3: 2PM – 3:45PM

Title: Islamophobia, Settler Colonial Discourses, Violence and Demography

Chair: Paola Bacchetta, Department of Gender and Women's Studies, University of California, Berkeley

Varsha Basheer, University of Kerala, India

The Lynch Republic: Brahminic Nationalism and its expendable “Others”

Heather Porter Abu Deiab, San Francisco State University

Islamophobia’s Transnational and Settler Colonial Realities: Gaps within Ethnic Studies Narratives

Houria Bouteldja, Parti des Indigenes de la Republique (Party of the Indigenous of the Republic, France

Towards a Politics of Revolutionary Love
Paula Thompson, Graduate Theological Union, Center for Islamic Studies

What CVE looks like in the Muslim community?

Panel 4: 4:00PM – 5:45PM

Title: Gender Exceptionalism, Feminisms and Justice: North American Islamophobia

Chair: Dr. Rabab Abdulhadi, AMED Studies and RRS/Ethnic Studies, SFSU

Azza Basarudin, UCLA & Khanum Shaikh, CSUN,
Between Feminism and Securitization: Gendering Countering Violent Extremism Initiative in Southern California

Juliette Galonnier, Sociology, Sciences Po (Paris) and Northwestern University (Chicago).
The Genealogies of Racialized Islamophobia: Muslim Converts’ Past and Present Encounters with Race in France and the United States

Zoya Islam, Queens University
Canada, Muslim in Canada: An Examination of Muslim Exceptionalism through the Discourses Surrounding Honor Violence and Female Genital Mutilation

Jasmin Zine, Wilfrid Laurier University
Muslim Women, Gendered Islamophobia and the Fashioning of Sartorial Nationalism in Canada.

Saturday 23rd, 2016
Booth Auditorium

Panel 5: 9:30am – 11:15am

Title: Islamophobia Impacts on Public Health: Theorizing the Field.

Chair: Iman Nazeeri-Simmons, MPH, Chief Operating Officer Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center

Rania Awaad, Stanford University School of Medicine and Zaytuna College
A Mixed-Methods Analysis of Muslims’ Responses to the Chapel Hill Shootings: Reactions, Coping, and Impact

Khadija Khaja, School of Social Work, Indiana University
The Human Costs of Islamophobia: Countering it Effectively

Hina Tai and Amelia Noor-Oshiro, Columbia University's Mailman School of Public Health.
Apologetic Faith Syndrome: Conceptualizing Islamophobia in Public Health

Hammad Khan, UC Davis School of Medicine
"Islamophobia: A Case Study on Media, Mental Health, and Chronic Stress."

Panel 6: 11:30am – 1:15PM

Title: The Muslim Subject in Media Discourses and How to Respond to it?

Chair: Colleen Keyes, Student Affairs, Zaytuna College

Anisa Mehdi writer/educator, Producer/Director, “Inside Mecca,” National Geographic
The Arts and Islamophobia: Countering Otherization

Yousri Marzouki, Aix-Marseille University and Qatar University
Characterizing online negative stereotypes in response to the Charlie Hebdo terrorist attack: The case of Islamophobia in tweeting behavior

Rhonda Itaoui, Western Sydney University’s Religion and Society Research Centre, Australia
Islamophobia and the spatial mobility of young Australian Muslim’s in Sydney

Rizwan Mohammad, Advocacy Coordinator, NCCM – National Council of Canadian Muslims
Uniting Against Hate: Challenging Islamophobia in the Media, the Courts, and the Public Sphere

1:15PM – 2:15PM Lunch Break

Panel 7: 2:30PM – 4:00PM

Title: Race, Racialization, and Bigoted Rhetoric: A Tipping Point!

Chair: Ahmad Diab, Near Eastern Studies Department, UC Berkeley

Iman Sedique, Sociology Department, Northwestern University
Coloring the Crescent: A Process of Hyphenization, the Intersection of Race and a Racialized Muslim Identity

Saeed A. Khan, Department of Classical & Modern Languages, Literatures and Cultures, Wayne State University, Michigan.
Intersectionality of the Tipping Point in Islamophobia Discourse and the Tipping Point in Western Ontology: Orientalism Meets Occidentalism

Adnan Husain, History Department, Queen's University, Canada
The Formation of a Crusading Society (Medieval Paradigms & Modern Prejudice, Part 2)

Elsadig Elsheikh, Global Justice Program, Haas Institute for Fair and Inclusive Society
Condemning the Rhetoric is Not Enough: The Genealogy of Demagoguery and Islamophobia

Panel 8: 4:15PM – 6:10PM
Title: Muslim Identity Formation in the Age of Securitization.

Chair: Khalid Kadir, International & Area Studies, UC Berkeley
Shannon Erwin, Executive Muslim Justice League, Graduate from Harvard Law School and Nancy A. Khalil; MJL Co-Founder, Anthropology Department, Harvard University.
Unmasking and Resisting Structural Islamophobia: Community Responses to CVE in Boston

Mehmet F. Bastug, Division of Global Affairs, Rutgers University
The Effect of the Perceived Islamophobia on the Identity Formation and Acculturation Attitudes of Muslim Minorities in the West

Robert Beshara, Consciousness and Society Program, University of West Georgia
An Archeology of Terrorism: Islamophobia as both a Fundamental Fantasy and a Counter-discourse.

Munir Jiwa, Center for Islamic Studies, Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA.
Changing Hearts and Minds: Aesthetic Capital, Liberal Proselytizing, and Lessons in Civil Conversion

Khemilat Fatima, Institute of Political Studies at Aix-en-Provence, France
To be or not to be Charlie? That is the political and legal question. The various public policies adopted after 2015 Paris attacks

Closing 6:10PM
Hatem Bazian, IRDP
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