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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. Philosophy Department, Philosophy, Interpretation, and Culture Program
(2002)
Binghamton University, (SUNY), Binghamton, NY
Certificate in Feminist Theory
- M.A. Islamic Studies, McGill University, Montreal, Canada (1998)
Thesis: Ibn Sina and Mysticism: A Reconsideration
- B.A. Comparative Religion, State Institute for Islamic Studies, Ushuludin Faculty,
Bandung, Indonesia (1991)

Resident Fellow (Spring 2019)
The Center for Theological Inquiry
50 Stockton St. Princeton, NJ

TEACHING INTEREST

Teaching/research experience

FSEM-Facets of Islam

100 level-Journeys and Stories (an introduction to religion)

200 level-Introduction to Islam

200 level-Gender and Islam

200 level-Islam and Environment

200 level-Creative Self in Islamic mysticism

200 level- Islam and Material Culture

200 level- Playing God: Ethical Debates in Islam and Medicine (projected in the Fall 21)

300 level-Gender and Identity in the Muslim world

Books

A Genealogy of Islamic Feminism: Pattern and Change in Indonesia (London and New York:
Routledge, 2018)

Gender and Self in Islam (New York: Routledge, 2006)

Translations

Jati Diri Perempuan dalam Islam (Bandung, Indonesia: Mizan, 2017)

In Press

Silsilah Feminisme Islam: Geneologi, Tantangan, dan Prospek (Indonesia, Bandung: Mizan, 2020)

Submitted and accepted for publication

- Human Dignity and Islam: Contexts and Contestations in Indonesia (abstract has been accepted for publication and the paper is due in the fall of 2022)
- “The Quest for the Political: Radical Islamism and the War on Terror in Indonesia” (This paper has been accepted for publication by Palgrave MacMillan in a collection entitled *The (De)Legitimization of Violence in Sacred and Human Contexts*, 2020).

Edited book

Etin Anwar, “Ali Mazrui’s Triple Heritage and the Advancement of Gender,” in *The Politics of Gender and the Cultures of Sexuality: Western, Islamic, and African Perspectives*, Author Ali A. Mazrui and editor Etin Anwar (Lanham, Maryland: University Press of America Inc., 2014), i-xxii.

Chapters

Etin Anwar, “Ali Mazrui’s Triple Heritage and the Advancement of Gender,” in *Black Orwell: Essays on the Scholarship of Ali A. Mazrui*, edited by Seifudin Adem and Kimani Njogu (Trenton: Africa World Press, 2018), 97-108. (A reprinted)

“Muslim Women Negotiating Peace in Aceh, Indonesia,” in *Women, Religion, Conflict and Peace: Exploring the Invisible*, eds. Katherine Marshall and Susan Hayward (Berkley Center for Religion, Peace, and World Affairs and World Faiths Development Dialogue, May 2015), 191-207.

“Sexing the Prayer and Feminist Activism in Indonesia,” eds. Elif Medeni, Marcia Hermansen, and Ednan Aslan in *Muslima Theology: The Voices of Muslim Women Theologians* (Frankfurt: Frankfurt Peter Lang GmbH, Internationaler Verlag der Wissenschaften), 2014), 197-216.

Journals

“The Ethics of Wasatiyyah and the Pursuit of Gender Equality,” *American Journal of Islamic Social Sciences*, Vol. 32, No. 4. (2015).

“Women, Leadership, and Mosque's Cultures: Indonesian Heritage in New York City,” *Journal Heritage*, The Ministry of Religious Affairs (2013).

“Gendered Space and Shared Security: Women’s roles in Peace and Conflict Resolution in Indonesia,” in *Women and Islam*, ed. Kassam, Zayn, Women and Religion in the World Series. Santa Barbara, CA: Praeger, ABC-CLIO, 2010.

“The Paradox of Gender in Mazrui’s Triple Heritage,” ed. Saifudien Adem in *Public Intellectuals and the Politics of Global Africa. Comparative and Biographical Essays in Honor of Ali A. Mazrui*, ed. Saifudin Adem (Britain: Adonis and Abbey Publishers Ltd. 2011, 45-58.

“Prophetic Models in Islamic and Christian Spirituality: A Study of Ibn Arabi’s and Meister Eckhart’s Thought,” *Islam and Other Religions: Pathways to Dialogue*, Essay in Honor of Mahmoud Mustafa Ayoub, London: Routledge (2006), 135-150.

“Ibn Sina and Meister Eckhart on Being,” in *Reason and Inspiration in Islam*, Todd Lawson, ed., London: The Ismaili Institute Press, 340-352.

“Mazrui and Gender: On the Question of Methodology,” *The Mazruiana Collection Revisited. Ali A. Mazrui Debating the African Condition. An Annotated and Select Thematic Bibliography, 1962-2003. Revised and Enlarged Edition. Compiled by Abdul Samed Bemath. Foreword by Chief Emeka Anyaoku with an Introduction by Indiana University based Professors A.B. and Y.M. Alex-Assensoh. New Delhi, India: New Dawn Press (An imprint of Sterling Publishers), and Pretoria, South Africa: Africa Institute of South Africa, 2005, 363-377.*

“The Paradox of Gender in Mazrui’s Triple Heritage,” *The Journal of Oromo Studies*, Volume 16, Number 1, March 2009, 105-128.

“The Dialectics of Islamophobia and Radicalism in Indonesia,” *ASIANetwork Exchange: A Journal for Asian Studies in the Liberal Arts*, Spring 2009, 53-67.

“Approaches to Mystical Experience, *Khazanah: Journal of Islamic Studies*, Vol. 2, No. 8, July-December, 2005: 209-429.

“Prophetic Models in Islamic and Christian Spirituality: A Study of Ibn Arabi’s and Meister Eckhart’s Thought” *Islam & Christian-Muslim Relations [ICMR]* 15:1 (January, 2004). Translated into Russian.

“‘Directed’ Women’s Movements in Indonesia: Social and Political Agency from Within,” *Hawwa* 2, 1, 2004.

“Ibn Sina’s Philosophical Theology of Love: A Study of the *Risalah Fi al-‘Ishq*” appears in the Summer Edition of *Islamic Studies* (42:2), 2003, pp. 331-345.

Encyclopedia Entries

“Surrogate Motherhood,” “Female Genital Mutilation,” and “Abd al-Qadir al-Jilani,” *Oxford Encyclopedia of the Islamic World*, Edited by John L. Esposito (2009).

“Women and Gender: Modern Construction of Social Hierarchy in East Asia, Southeast Asia, the Pacific, and Australia,” *Encyclopedia of Women and Islamic Cultures*, ed. Suad Joseph (Brill: Leiden, 2006), pp. 745-748.

“Women and Bodily Wastes,” *Encyclopedia of Women and Islamic Cultures*, ed. Suad Joseph (Brill: Leiden, 2006), 27-33.

“The Public Role of Women.” *Encyclopedia of Islam and the Muslim World*, edited Richard Martin, ed. (New York: Macmillan Reference USA, 2004).

“Harem”. *Encyclopedia of Islam and the Muslim World*, edited Richard Martin, ed. (New York: Macmillan Reference USA, 2004).

CONFERENCE PRESENTATION, PRESIDING AND PARTICIPATION

“Caring for Planet Earth: Ecological Education in Indonesia’s Islamic Boarding Schools (Pesantren), the American Academy of Religion, Denver, November 2018.

“Radical Islamism and the Quest for the political in Indonesia,” Religions and (De)Legitimization of Violence, Rochester, NY., July 29-31, 2018.

“The Political Theology of Resistance: Muslim Women’s Activism in America,” the American Academy of Religion, Boston, November 18-21, 2017.

“Ethics of Wasaiyyah and Climate Change,” Sacred Texts and Human Contexts: Nature and Environment in World Religions, Rochester, NY., May 23-25, 2016.

“Women and Sharia.” the Diplomat in Residence Program at La Salle University, April 14, 2016.

“The Role of Women in Peace Building,” 2016 International Women’s Day Conference, March 19, 2016, Peace Island Institute, Rochester, New York.

“Peace education in Indonesia: Resisting youth religious radicalism,” XXI World Congress of the International Association for the History of Religions, Erfurt, Germany, August 23-29, 2015.

“Engendering Equality: From Masculine to Public Good,” The American Academy of Religion, Chicago (November 2013)

“Tasawwuf Psychotherapy: AN Epistemological Inquiry,” The American Academy of Religion, Chicago (November 2013)

“Continuity and Change on the Question of Gender: From Masculine,” International Indonesia Forum, Jogjakarta, August 2013.

“Genealogy of Islamic Feminism,” American Academy of Religion, Chicago (November 2012)

“The Politics of Resistance: Women’s Peacemaking in Aceh,” Berkley Center for Religion, Peace, and World Affairs and World Faiths Development Dialogue, September 2011 (January 4-6).

“How feminist is Islamic Feminist: A Genealogical Inquiry,” *2010 American Academy of Religion*, October 30-November 1, 2010

“Sexing the Prayer and Feminist Activism in Indonesia,” *American Academy of Religion*, Montreal, Quebec, November 7-10, 2009.

“Dating Muslims: A Gap of Parents-Teenagers among Southeast and South Asia immigrants,” *Asian Society for International Relations and Public Affairs*, Rosemont, Chicago, IL., July 3, 2010.

“Secrets of Water: Intersections of Traditional and Sufi healing in Indonesia,” *South and South-east Asian Association for the Study of Culture and Religion*, Bali, Indonesia, June 4-7, 2009

“Gendered Space and Shared Security: Women’s Roles in Peace and Conflict Resolution in Indonesia,” *American Muslim Social Scientists*, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, October 24-25, 2008.

“Islamist Anti-Americanism: The Dialectics of Islamophobia and Radicalism in Indonesia,” *American Muslim Social Scientists*, Maryland, October 25-28, 2007.

“Inabah Method: Sufic Healing in the Qadiriyyah and Naqshabandiyyah Order,” *International Conference on Ancient and Medieval Philosophy*, New York City, October 20-22, 2006.

Presiding, “Varieties of Classical Islam,” *American Academy of Religion*, 20007 Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA. November 17-20, 2007.

Participant, *The First Seneca Fall Dialogues*, October 11-12, 2008.

Participant, *Feminism and Sexuality: The Return of Religion*, Syracuse University, April 26-28, 2007.

INVITED TALKS

“Religious Identity, Diversity, and Culture” (Identitas agama, Keragaman, dan Budaya),” *Diaspora Scholars’ Symposium*, the Ministry of Research and Higher Education, Jakarta, Indonesia, August 23, 2019

“Islam Facing the Challenges of Contemporary Issues,” Muhammadiyah University in collaboration with the Ministry of Research and Higher Education, Jakarta, Indonesia, August 22, 2019.

“Islam Facing Contemporary Challenges: From Climate Change to Gender gap,” Diponegoro University, in collaboration with the Ministry of Research and Higher Education, Jakarta, Indonesia, August 21, 2019.

“Epistemology of Islamic Feminism” September 13, 2018 at the Kahin Center, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY.

“Climate Justice.” General Stadium, Department of Geography, University of Sebelas Maret, Surakarta, Indonesia, August 5, 2018.

“The Politics of Location and Religious Violence: Paths toward Unity and Reconciliation.” General Stadium, Department of Geography, University of Sebelas Maret, Surakarta, Indonesia, July 12-13, 2018.

“Islamic and Feminist Encounters in Indonesia,” Symposium in Indonesian Studies, Indonesia: Past, Present, and Future, University of Washington, October 10, 2017, Seattle, Washington.

Seminar and Workshop on the inclusion of indigenous values into the Indonesian national curriculum, Muara Bungo city, Sumatera, Indonesia, August 3-4, 2017.

“Gender and Self: the politics of becoming.” Book discussion, Yogyakarta, Indonesia. August 14, 2017.

“The Genealogy of Islamic Feminism: In Search of Women’s Religious Authority,” Stadium General at Ma’had Aly Kebon Jambu, Babakan Ciwaringin Cirebon, July 16, 2018.

“Gender and Self: the politics of becoming.” Book discussion, Bandung, Indonesia. August 8, 2017.

“Islamophobia and Cross-Cultural Dialogue,” *Convention Days*, Women's Rights National Historical Park, Seneca Falls, NY., July 16, 2017

“Show and Tell: Cross-cultural dialogue through Islamic fashion,” *Convention Days*, Women's Rights National Historical Park, Seneca Falls, NY., July 15, 2017.

“Dying and Death in Islam,” A Seminar on Understanding Rituals of Dying and Death in World Religions, Nazareth College, October 26, 2016

"Sacred Texts and Healing," The Brian and Jean Hickey Center for Interfaith Studies and Dialogue, Nazareth College, Rochester, October 22, 2014.

Various talk-engagement associated with One-on-One Friendship 2013-2014 promoting youth leadership through social justice program in Indonesia.

“Expanding Networking and Academic career choices,” July 6-9, 2012. I-4 (Ikatan Ilmuwan International Indonesia) Gathering at the Congress of Indonesian Diaspora (CID) in Los Angeles.

“Bridging International Cooperation in Research and Education between Indonesia and America,” March 16-17, 2012 at the The University of Maryland, College Park MD, USA.

“Women in Islam, RIT, Skalny Room – Centre of Religious Life, March 22, 2012.

“Membangun Budaya Bangsa yang bersih, jujur, adil dan bermartabat,” Universitas Indonesia, August 15, 2011

“Academic program in American Higher Education,” Universitas Islam Negeri Bandung, July 29, 2011

“Internationalizing Academic Culture in Indonesian Higher Education,” Universitas Trisakti, July 28, 2011

“Women and the Qur’an in Islam.” *Women in Islam and Christianity: Historical and Theological Perspectives-The Commission on Christian Muslim Relations*, June 1, 2011.

“Feminism in Islam,” *Rochester Interfaith Forum*, March 17, 2011

“Mapping the Humanities in the Indonesian Contexts,” *International Association for Indonesian Scholars*, International Summits, December 16-20, 2010.

“Islamic Feminism: Histories and Principles,” *Bilbao Public Lecture*, Bilbao, Spain, October 26, 2010.

“Islamic feminism and the Rediscovery of the Spiritual,” *IV International Congress on Islamic Feminism*, Madrid, October 22, 23, and 24 2010.

“How Feminist is Islamic Feminism?” and “Where Women are in Philosophy?” *SUNY Old Westbury*, New York, April 12, 2010.

“Religious Privilege and the Politics of Naming: A Feminist Pedagogy,” *The Social Justice Collective & Women’s Collective*, March 27, 2010.

“Teaching Islam in North American Colleges,” *Umi University*, Makasar, Indonesia, October 26, 2009. This presentation was part of the inauguration of International Association of Indonesian Scholars held in Jakarta, October 24-28, 2009.

“Body Politics and the Politics of the body in Indonesia,” *The Social Justice Collective & Women’s Collective*, February 20th, 2009.

“Globalization and the Changing Roles of Women,” *Social Studies Conference*, Ontario County, Geneva, New York, October 14, 2008.

“The Paradox of Gender in Mazrui’s Triple Heritage,” Annual Conference on “Africa in the 21st Century: Reconstruction or Re-Colonization” *Cornell University’s Africana Studies and Research Center*, New York State African Studies Association on March 28-29, 2008.

“Islam and gender,” *A Workshop on “Religions and Cultures in South & South East Asia*,” Nazareth College, Rochester, New York, February 2, 2008.

Guest Lecture on “Anti-Islam” at Making Connections class taught by Professor Donna Albro, February 11th, 2008.

“Gender and Islamic Identity: Ethics and Politics of Civic Responsibility,” *A Seminar on “Gender Politics, Social Justice, and the Role of Religion in 2008,”* Fordham University’s Center for Ethics Education and the Center for Electoral Politics and Democracy, April 22, 2008.

“Gender and Islam: The Faith of Hagar Offspring,” *A symposium on Daughters of Abraham: Women in Judaism, Christianity and Islam,* Colgate Rochester Crozer Divinity School, Rochester, December 6, 2007.

“Islam and Building the Culture of Peace,” *Catholic Charities of the Finger Lakes’ Interfaith Peace Forum on “Promoting a Culture of Peace: Bridges of Shared Values,”* Thursday, October 11, 2007.

Discussant, *Kite Runner* Movie, October 2, 2007, Geneva Movieplex, President’s Forum Series, Geneva, New York.

“Islam and Optimism,” *Unitarian Church,* Canandaigua, April 29, 2007.

“Islam and Politics,” *The Commission on Christian Muslim Relations,* April 19, 2007.

“Islam, Gender and the Challenges of Globalization in Asia,” *A symposium on “Islam and Modernity,”* Nazareth College, March 24, 2007.

“Challenges and Opportunities for Women in Contemporary American Islam,” *Trinity of Episcopal Church,* Geneva, NY, March 18, 2007

“Orthopraxy and Authority: A Decade of Islam in Indonesia,” The theme of the conference was on “Islam, Regionalism, and New Institutions: A Decade of Radical Transformation in Indonesia,” March 3, 2007. With funding from the Yale Council on Southeast Asian Studies, the Department of Political Science, and in cooperation with Tokyo University and the Indonesia Research Unit of Giessen University, Germany.

Guest Lecture on “Islamophobia” at Making Connections’ course taught by Donna Albro, November, 30th, 2006.

Guest Lecture on “Islam,” at Human Geography’s course taught by Professor Eugenio Arima, October 31, 2006.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Hobart and William Smith Colleges (Assistant and Associate Professor)

- Islam and Environment (Spring 2016, Spring 2017)
- Playing God: Ethical Debate in Medicine (Fall 2008 and Fall 2010);
- Introduction to Women Studies (Spring 2012, Spring 2009 [co-taught with Professor Laura Free] and Fall 2009);

- Journeys and Stories (Fall 2012, Fall 2014, Spring 2016, Spring 2008 [co-taught with Professor Lowell Bloss])
- Gender and Globalization in the Muslim World (Spring 2008 and Spring 2011, 2013, 2014);
- Islamic Ethics and Politics (Spring 2008 and 2011);
- Introduction to Islamic Religious Tradition (Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Fall 2015, Spring 2014, Fall 2013, Fall 2012, Fall 2011, Fall 2010, Fall 2009, Fall 2008, Fall 2007, Spring 2007, and Fall 2006);
- Gender and Islam (Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Fall 2015, Fall 2014, Fall 2013, Fall 2012, Fall 2011, Fall 2010, Fall 2009, Fall 2008, Fall 2007 and Spring 2007);
- Islamic Mysticism (Spring 2007, Spring 2009, Spring 2010, Spring 2012, and Spring 2013, Spring 2018);
- Imagining American Religions (Fall 2006, co-taught with Professor Susan Henking)

Other materials

- Google Scholar Citations
- Interview with *Fresh Thinking: Magazine of the Center of Theological Inquiry*, Issue 3 Fall 2019
- Book Review on *Becoming Better Muslims: Religious Authority and Ethical Improvement in Aceh, Indonesia*. Princeton Muslim Politics. By David Kloss. Princeton; Oxford: Princeton University, 2017.

Hamilton College (Postdoctoral Fellow)

Seminar on Gender and Sexuality in Asia (Spring 2004); Medical Ethics: A Multicultural Perspective (Fall 2003); Body, Sexuality, and Gender in Asia (Spring 2003); Introduction to Islam (Fall 2003 and 2002) and Women in Islam (Fall 2002).

Binghamton University (Instructor of Record)

Introduction to Women's Studies (Summer 2002 and 2001); International Women's Movements (Spring 2001) and Medical Ethics (Spring-Fall 2000).

MEDIA WRITING AND INTERVIEWS

"Fasting during Ramadan teaches Muslims many American Virtues," *Democrat and Chronicle*, Rochester, New York, October 3, 2006.

WXXI Documentary: "Muslim Women in our Midst: the Path of Understanding," The program, hosted by Julie Philipp, explored Rochester's historic connection to the international women's rights movement and the modern impact of that movement on Muslim women.

"Benazir Bhutto and Democracy," *Finger Lakes Times*, December 30th, 2007 (interview).

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- American Muslim Social Scientists (2008)
- American Association for Asian Studies (2020)
- The American Academy of Religion (2002-present)
- Advisory Board, International Association for Indonesian Scholars (2010-2012, Indonesia)

- Advisory Board, International Conference on Social Science, Economics, and Art (2010-2011, Malaysia)

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Co-Founder Global Aliya Indonesia Foundation, promoting excellence, compassion and service.
- Co-founder One-on-One Friendship, promoting friendship for social justice.
- Equal Status and Human Rights of Women in South East Asia Bandung, Indonesia, 2005-11-14 to 2005-11-25, Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law, Sweden (Training participant).
- Consultant on Gender and Madrasah, Asian Development Bank, Jakarta, Indonesia, 2005-2006.

SERVICE

Hobart and William Smith Colleges

Women's Studies' search committee (Spring 2012)

An external faculty examiner for Wade Perkins' Honor Project (Spring 2012)

An external faculty examiner for Mirel Oese-Siegel's Honor Project (Spring 2012)

Asian Studies Department External Review on January 28, 2013

A Review 2 Committee member for John Krummel (Fall 2013)

A Review 2 Committee member for Anthony Cerulli (Fall 2015)

Religious Studies Retreat, June 24-25, 2015.

The department chair (Spring 2016-Fall 2018)

A Review 3 committee chair for Richard Salter

A member of Review Committee I for Gul Unal (Spring 2018)

A member for Grievance committee in 2018 and 2020

A member and Women's Studies committee (2018-2020)

A member of Fisher Center steering committee (2019-2020)

A member of Religious Muslim life committee (Summer and Fall 2019)

An advisor for the One-on-One Friendship Club (Fall 2015-Fall 2019)

An advisor for the Project Nur Club (Fall 2012-Spring 2016)

HWS and larger community

Islamic Fashion show, International Fashion and Art in New York City, September 15, 2019.

Islamic Fashion Show, Women's International Network, Rochester, New York, June 23, 2018

Islamic Fashion collection, International Fashion and Art in New York City, February 18, 2018.

Gallery Installation, "Fashion Fusion: Diversity in Islamic Dress," Sollarium Gallery, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Geneva, New York, September 2017,

"Show and Tell: Cross-cultural dialogue through Islamic fashion," Women's Rights Museum, Seneca Falls, New York, July 15, 2017.

A member of Violence Prevention Network among Muslim women in Rochester (Spring 2016)

"Balinese Gamelan Concert and Indonesian Fashion Show," Tang Teaching Museum at Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs, New York, September 22, 2016.

Islamic Fashion Show, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Geneva, NY, November 4, 2015.

Islamic Fashion Show by Etin Anwar and Indriyani Dani, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Geneva, NY, September 2, 2014.

Outside HWS

- US Chair for Indonesian Diaspora Scholars' Association (2011-2014)
- Board of Advisor, The American Institute for Indonesian Studies (AIFIS), Cornell University, Ithaca (2017-present)
- Co-Chair Unit for Religion in Southeast Asia, American Academy of Religion (2018-2023)