

Islam –Gender – Role Models – Contemporary Issues – U.S. Experience: Bibliography

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General

Ahmed, Leila. Women and Gender in Islam. Yale UP, 1992.

Afsaruddin, Asma. Contemporary Issues in Islam. Edinburgh UP, 2015.

Indiana University Professor approaches gender and women's status, Sharia, jihad, politics, and interfaith relations in Islam.

Ali-Karamali, Sumbul. The Muslim Next Door: The Qur'an, the Media, and That Veil Thing. White Cloud Press, 2008.

Al-Qur'an: English translation, bilingual (Arabic) editions, reading, themes, style

Abdel Haleem, M.A.S. Understanding the Qur'an: Themes and Style. I.B. Tauris, 1999.

Contains chapters on Adam and Eve in the Qur'an and the Bible, and one on dynamic style in the Qur'an including the use of multiple pronouns in designating Allah.

Helminski, Camille Adams. The Light of Dawn: A Daybook of Verses from the Holy Qur'an. Threshold Books, 1998.

A selection of Qur'anic verses composed of what the author views as the most essential. Offered in lyrical and gender inclusive translation, of interest to students of comparative religion, practicing Muslims, Sufis included.

Woman/Women in the Qur'an – The Life of Muhammad, Including Women

Ali, Kecia. The Lives of Muhammad. Harvard UP, 2014.

The history of Muslims and non-Muslims telling the Prophet Muhammad's story, from the early days through modern times. Incorporates lives of Muhammad's wives, particularly Khadija, Aisha, and Hafsa.

Lamrabet, Asma. Women in the Quran: An Emancipatory Reading. Translated by Myriam Francois-Cerrah, Square View, 2016.

The author, a Moroccan pathologist, presents a re-read of an English translation from French of the Qur'an from a female outlook. Her theme, when the Qur'an speaks of and to women, is a reinterpretation of tradition based on the revelation and introduces contemporary thought.

Stowasser, Barbara F. Women in the Qur'an, Tradition, and Interpretation. Oxford UP, 1994.

Wadud, Amina. Qur'an and Woman: Rereading . . . Text from a Woman's Perspective. Oxford UP, 1999.

American Muslim Women, Islamic Reform, Converts, and Global Perspective

D'Alessandro, Jill and Reina Lewis, editors. Contemporary Muslim Fashions. Delmonico, Prestel, Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco, De Young, 2018.

An extraordinary collection of Muslim women's fashion of global inclusion. Discusses how Muslim women and other designers are pivotal in the industry from corporate leaders, to designers, bloggers, retailers, and textile creators.

Eltahawy, Mona. Headscarves and Hymens: Why the Middle East Needs a Sexual Revolution. Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2015.

A journalist writes condemning oppressive forces that reduce Muslim women to second-class citizens.

Power, Carla. If the Oceans Were Ink: An Unlikely Friendship and a Journey to the Heart of the Qur'an. Henry Holt, 2015.

Her personal journey as a convert into understanding the Qur'anic message, including covering, gender, tolerance, from a deeply compassionate exploration.

Wadud, Amina. Inside the Gender Jihad: Women's Reform in Islam. Oneworld, 2006.

American Muslim scholar, ret. and former Professor of Islamic Studies at Virginia Commonwealth University, whose work expresses the struggle for justice of women within global Islam.

Online Resources on Islam and A Common Word dialogue – paste hotlinks in browser

<http://www.oxfordislamicstudies.com/>

Oxford Islamic Studies Online is an authoritative resource containing terms, primary sources, biographies. For example, by searching under "jihad, islamophobia" or other terms w/the url, articles are retrieved.

www.pewforum.org/

Pew Research Forum issues continuing statistical, opinion analysis and reports on the world's religions, including Islam and Muslims.

www.iqsa.org/

The International Qur'anic Studies Association (IQSA) is committed to the advancement and dissemination of high quality scholarship on the Qur'an, and to the facilitation of deeper understandings within it through scholarly collaboration.

<http://cmje.usc.edu/> Site closed late 2018.

USC's Center for Muslim-Jewish Engagement. Contains projects, programs, resources, and issues of mutual interest to Muslims and Jews. Retrieves religious texts.

www.acommonword.com A global dialogue process between Muslim and Christian scholars and leaders begun in 2007

which can be accessed through links on the website.