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| <p>GNDS 401/3.0 DEBATES ON FEMINISM & ISLAM</p> <p>Seminar: Fridays 11:30am- 2:30pm Humphy 131</p> | <p>Course Instructor:</p> <p>Dr. habibe burcu baba</p> |
| <p>GNDS 401/831 covers debates on sex, gender and sexuality in the Muslim majority countries in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region and Muslim diaspora with a special focus on the racialization of Muslims, neo-orientalism, border policies, and resistance. The class material addresses the diverse and complex discussions on sex, gender and sexuality in specific locations and temporalities for an intersectional analysis of issues such as identity, agency, subjectivity and dissidence against the background of modernization and de/colonization.</p> <p>The class focuses on the theories, political activities, and organizing of Islamic feminists. It situates itself in relation to contemporary debates around the status of women in Islam and problematizes the nature of feminism and its assumed relationship to Islam. The course will focus on questions of religion, race, class, and nationalism in relation to Islam and Muslim women.</p> | <p>Required Course Material:</p> <p>All the course material will be available online via Queen’s University Libraries/course e-reserves</p> |
| <p>General Learning Outcomes:</p> <p>Throughout the course the students explore the significance of non-Western epistemologies and the struggles around sex, gender and sexuality while mapping the contemporary as well as foundational discussions both from within Islamic discourses and discourses on and about women of Muslim background.</p> <p>The course is designed to enable the students to learn, criticize and apply social theories to understand the dynamics of Muslim societies and social movements that have been altering the world specifically in Muslim majority countries.</p> <p>By the end of the course the students will be able to distinguish among and analyze multiple points of views on controversial topics regarding Islam, gender, sexuality, nationalism, race, and class.</p> <p>Weekly Topics:</p> <p>Mapping the Debates: Colonialism, Imperialism, Gender and Sexuality Racialization of Islam and (Neo)Orientalism ‘Hijab’, Agency and the Muslim Women Subject Muslim Youth and Terrors of War/War on Terror Debates on Islamic Feminism Borders of Islam, Western Exceptionalism and Homonationalism Islamic Masculinities and Queer Muslims Cultural Production, Islamic Identities and Representation Popular Uprisings and Uprooted Masses</p> | <p>Grading Components:</p> <p>20% Attendance and Participation</p> <p>30% Critical Reviews</p> <p>20% Seminar Co-facilitation</p> <p>30% Final Paper/Project (10% Proposal and Annotated Bibliography+ 20% Final Research Paper/Project)</p> |