

RELI 185H

Women/Gender/Islam



"Converging Territories #10" by Lalla Essaydi

This course explores norms, discourses and practices related to gender and sexuality in Muslim societies and communities in their historical dimensions and contemporary expressions. We focus on the link between religion and gender through exploration and analysis of foundational religious texts, legal interpretations, and religious practices in diverse Muslim contexts and consider the definitions of and challenges to gender and sexual norms. The course emphasizes the interplay of historical developments and contemporary expressions and foregrounds the agency of Muslim women in assessing, challenging, changing and/or preserving their roles in Muslim societies. It relates the study of women and gender in Islam to the larger fields of women in religion(s) and women and gender studies.

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Tuesdays & Thursdays

2:00PM - 3:15PM

General Education Requirements: BN, GL

