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EDUCATION

- 2009 PhD – Islamic Thought, University of Toronto
2004 Hon. BA – Islamic Studies and Philosophy, University of Toronto
2001–Present Private study with traditional Islamic scholars: Quranic sciences, Sufi texts, Arabic logic, Islamic theology, and Islamic philosophy

LANGUAGES

Arabic; Persian; Gujarati; Urdu; French; German; Turkish (beginner)

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Islamic Philosophy and Theology; Arabic and Persian Sufi Literature; Quranic Exegesis; Contemporary Islamic Thought; Cross-Cultural Philosophy; Translation Theory

PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

- 2021–Present Professor, Carleton University, College of the Humanities
2021–Present Director, Centre for the Study of Islam, Carleton University
2018–Present Visiting Professor, Üsküdar University, Institute for Sufi Studies
2013–2021 Associate Professor, Carleton University, College of the Humanities
2018–2020 Senior Library of Arabic Literature Fellow, NYU Abu Dhabi Institute
2017–2020 Senior Humanities Research Fellow, NYU Abu Dhabi Institute
2010 Research Associate, Iranian Institute of Philosophy
2009–2013 Assistant Professor, Carleton University, College of the Humanities

- 2008 Visiting Scholar, Stony Brook University, Department of Asian and Asian American Studies
- 2007–2009 Lecturer, University of Toronto, Department of Near and Middle Eastern Civilizations and Department for the Study of Religion

MAJOR EDITORIAL ROLES

- Series Editor: *Global Philosophy* (Equinox)
- Editor: *Library of Arabic Literature* (NYU Press)

AWARDS AND HONOURS

- 2025 Research Fellowship, Oxford Centre for Islamic Studies (declined)
- 2025 Grant, Islamic Center for Greater Cincinnati (PI, Muhammad U. Faruque)
- 2024 Publication Grant, Tokat Foundation
- 2022–2023 Research Excellence Award, FASS, Carleton University
- 2022 Publication Grant, Persian Heritage Foundation
- 2021–2022 Grant, Templeton Foundation (PI, Muhammad U. Faruque)
- 2021 Publication Grant, NYU Abu Dhabi Institute
- 2018–2020 Library of Arabic Literature Senior Fellowship, NYU Abu Dhabi Institute
- 2019 Annemarie Schimmel Fellowship, Institute of Ismaili Studies
- 2017–2020 Senior Humanities Research Fellowship, NYU Abu Dhabi Institute
- 2016 Tarjuman Prize, Muhyiddin Ibn Arabi Society Latina
- 2014 *The Triumph of Mercy*, Winner of Iran's 21st Book of the Year World Prize
- 2013 Research Award, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, Carleton University
- 2011 Grant, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, Carleton University
- 2010 Honorable Mention, Foundation for Iranian Studies Dissertation Award
- 2009 Start-up Grant, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, Carleton University
- 2006–2008 Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Fellowship
- 2006–2008 Mary H. Beatty Fellowship
- 2005–2006 Ontario Graduate Scholarship
- 2004–2009 Doctoral Fellowship, University of Toronto
- 2004 Hon. BA Conferred with High Distinction, University of Toronto
- 2004 George Thaniel Memorial Fellowship
- 2004 Dean's List Scholar, Faculty of Arts and Science, University of Toronto
- 2000 C. L. Burton Open Scholarship
- 1999 Ontario Scholar Award

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Inrushes of the Heart: The Sufi Philosophy of ‘Ayn al-Quḍāt. SUNY Series in Islam. Albany: SUNY Press, 2023, xxvi + 373 pp. + 11 colour images.

- Reviewed in *Iranian Studies*, *Islamic Studies*, *JMIAS*, and several other journals.
- Russian translation by Vladimir Rozov, with a Foreword in Russian by Alexander Knysh: *Contemporary Religious and Theological Studies*. Boston, MA: Academic Studies Press, forthcoming.

Sufi Metafiziği. Eight articles translated into Turkish by Kadir Filiz. Istanbul: Nefes, 2014, 160 pp.

- Reviewed in *Nazariyat* and *İslâm Araştırmaları Dergisi*.

The Triumph of Mercy: Philosophy and Scripture in Mullā Ṣadrā. Albany: SUNY Press, 2012, xii + 243 pp.

- Reviewed in *Iranian Studies*, *Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society*, *Modern Theology*, and twelve other journals.
- Albanian translation and introduction by Edin Lohja: *Ngadhënjimi i Mëshirës: Filozofia dhe Shkrimi i Shpallur te Mullā Ṣadrā*. Tirana: Fondacioni Rumi, 2014.
- Turkish translation by Zeyneb Hafsa Orhan: *Merhametin Zaferi: Mollâ Sadrâ'da Felsefe ve Kutsal Kitap*. Istanbul: Nefes, 2017.
- Persian translation by Mitra Sarhadi: *Ghalaba-yi Raḥmat: Falsafa wa-Kitāb-i Āsmānī dar Tafakkur-i Mullā Ṣadrā*. Tehran: Intishārāt-i Sūfiyā, 2025.

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- Reviewed in *Islam and Christian-Muslim Relations*, *Journal of Religious History*, *Marginalia Review of Books*, and several other journals.
- Arabic edition: Library of Arabic Literature. New York: NYU Press, 2022, 99 pp.
- English-only edition: Foreword by Livia Kohn. Library of Arabic Literature. New York: NYU Press, 2023, xxxviii + 219 pp.

Abū Ḥāmid al-Ghazālī, *The Condemnation of Pride and Self-Admiration*. Al-Ghazali Series. Cambridge: Islamic Texts Society, 2018, xxxvi + 190 pp.; 2nd edition, 2024.

- Reviewed in *Journal of the American Oriental Society*, *Journal of Sufi Studies*, *Muslim World*, and six other journals.

Edited Commentaries and Anthologies

Seyyed Hossein Nasr, *A Commentary on Mullā Ṣadrā's Book of Metaphysical Penetrations (Kitāb al-Mashā'ir)*. Co-edited with Justin Cancelliere and Munjed Murad. In progress.

A Sourcebook in Global Philosophy. Foreword by Roger T. Ames. Global Philosophy Series. Sheffield: Equinox, 2025, 600 pp.

- Reviews forthcoming in *Philosophy East and West*, *Teaching Philosophy*, *Sophia*, and several other journals.

The Study Quran: A New Translation and Commentary. Co-edited with Seyyed Hossein Nasr, Caner Dagli, Maria Dakake, and Joseph Lombard. New York: HarperOne, 2015, lix + 1988 pp. + 10 colour maps.

- Reviewed in *Horizons*, *Speculum*, *Zeitschrift der Deutschen Morgenländischen Gesellschaft*, and over twenty other journals.
- Persian translation in eleven volumes by Inshā' Allāh Raḥmatī (edited by Muṣṭafā Malakiyān): *Tafsīr-i mu'āṣirānah-yi Qur'ān-i karīm*. Tehran: Intishārāt-i Sūfiyā, 2021–.
- Arabic-English edition forthcoming.
- Turkish translation by Nurullah Koltaş: Istanbul: Açılım Kitap, in progress.

William C. Chittick, *In Search of the Lost Heart: Explorations in Islamic Thought*. Co-edited with Atif Khalil and Kazuyo Murata. Albany: SUNY Press, 2012, xiv + 397 pp.

- Reviewed in *Iranian Studies*, *JMIAS*, *Le Muséon*, and nine other journals.
- Albanian translation by Sokrat Amataj: *Kërkime për Zembrën e Humbur: Eksplorime në Mendimin Islamik*. Tirana: Fondacioni Rumi, 2013.
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- Turkish translation by Ömer Saruhanlıoğlu: *Âşîğın Aynası: Kayıp Kalbin Peşinde*. Istanbul: Okuyan Us Yayınevi, 2019.

Edited Volumes

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- Reviews forthcoming in *Oxford Journal of Islamic Studies*, *Reading Religion*, *Studia Islamica*, and several other journals.

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- Reviewed in *JMIAS*, with others forthcoming in *Ilahiyat Studies*, *Islamic Sciences*, and *Philosophy East and West*.

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Edited Translations and Arabic Editions

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Articles

“The Thirty-Six *Tawhīds* in *Futūḥāt*, Chapter 198.” Co-authored with William C. Chittick. In progress.

“Recognizing Recognition: *Maʿrifa* in Sufi Thought.” *Oxford Journal of Islamic Studies*. Accepted, forthcoming.

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- Bosnian translation by Haris Dubravac: “Student i mudrac.” *Živa baština* 9, no. 30 (2023): 86–93.
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- Portuguese translation by Carlos Frederico: “O fogo do amor.” *Horizonte: Revista de Estudos de Teologia e Ciências da Religião*, 2024.

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“Devil’s Advocate: ‘Ayn al-Quḍāt’s Defence of Iblis in Context.” *Studia Islamica* 115, no. 1 (2020): 65–100.

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“Some Pointers and Reminders in Islamic Studies.” *American Journal of Islam and Society* 37, nos. 1–2 (2020): 177–184.

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- Bosnian translation by Haris Dubravac: “Neki savjeti i opomene u pogledu islamskih nauka.” *Novi Muallim* 27, no. 97 (2024): 79–82.
- Persian translation by Taha Abdollahi: “Ishārāt wa-tanbīhātī dar bāb-i muṭāla‘āt-i Islāmī.” *Āyina-yi pizhūhish* 34, no. 4 (2023): 352–357.

“Storytelling as Philosophical Pedagogy: The Case of Suhrawardī.” In *Knowledge and Education in Classical Islam: Religious Learning between Continuity and Change*, edited by Sebastian Günther. Leiden: Brill, 2020, vol. 1, pp. 404–416.

- Bosnian translation by Haris Dubravac: “Pripovijedanje kao filozofska pedagogija: primjer Suhrawardija.” *Glasnik Rijaseta Islamske zajednice u BiH* 86, nos. 5–6 (2024): 511–524.
- Persian translation by Saeed Anvari: “Qiṣṣa-gū‘ī ba-mathābat-i ta‘līm wa-tarbiyat-i falsafī.” *Ilāhiyyāt* 4, no. 7 (2023): 65–83.
- Spanish translation by Karen Martínez García: “La narración como pedagogía filosófica.” *Sadra* 7 (2024): in press.
- Abridged Turkish translation by Bülent Sönmez: “Sühreverdi, Kutsal Sembolizm ve Kendini Bilme Üzerine.” *Post-Truth*. August 1st, 2022.

“Islam and the Density of Man.” *Sacred Web* 46 (2020): 56–76.

“On Listening: Hearing God’s Voice in the Face of Suffering.” *Sacred Web* 45 (2020): 36–43.

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“The Islamic Intellectual Heritage and Contemporary Worldviews.” *The Intellect in the Qur’an and Islamic Civilization*. Al-Mustafa International University (Tehran). Tehran, February 16th–17th, 2013.

“The Water and Fire of Love.” *The Hacı Bayrâm-ı Velî International Symposium*. Hosted by TÜRKKAD. Ankara, December 16th, 2012.

“Mercy Triumphant: On the Relationship between the Qur’an and Philosophy.” Public lecture and book launch for *The Triumph of Mercy*. Centre for the Study of Islam, Carleton University. Ottawa, November 2nd, 2012.

“Ontology and Cosmogony in Mullā Şadrā’s Scriptural Hermeneutics.” *The Biennial Meeting of the International Society for Iranian Studies*. Istanbul, August 3rd, 2012.

“On Aspiration and Poverty.” *Spiritual Realization: Knowledge and Practice (The Annual Conference of the Muhyiddin Ibn ‘Arabi Society, UK)*. University of Oxford. Oxford, May 6th, 2012.

“Mullā Şadrā on the Link between Scripture and Idolatry.” The Institute of Ismaili Studies. London, May 4th, 2012.

“Death and Awakening in Islamic Philosophy.” *Department of Philosophy Colloquium Series*. Carleton University. Ottawa, November 25th, 2011.

“Mullā Şadrā on Idol-Smashing.” *The Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion*. San Francisco, November 20th, 2011.

“The Role of Philosophy in the School of Ibn ‘Arabī.” *The Second International Şadr al- Dīn Qūnawī Symposium*. Hosted by MEBKAM. Konya, October 8th, 2011.

“Story-Telling as Philosophical Pedagogy: The Case of Suhrawardī.” *Knowledge and Education in Classical Islam*. University of Göttingen. Göttingen, October 4th, 2011.

“Rūmī on the Ocean of Nonexistence.” Centre for the Study of Islam, Carleton University. Ottawa, July 29th, 2011.

“The Role of Love in the Sufi Poetry of Rūmī.” University of Lethbridge. Lethbridge, March 21st, 2011.

“The Heart in Sufism.” Guest lecture in Atif Khalil’s undergraduate course, “Sufism.” Department of Religious Studies, University of Lethbridge. Lethbridge, March 21st, 2011.

“Mullā Ṣadrā’s Cosmology of Praise.” *The Annual Meeting of the American Oriental Society*. Chicago, March 11th, 2011.

“The Word Made Book: Mullā Ṣadrā’s Qur’ānic Hermeneutics in Context.” *New Approaches to the Qur’ān and Exegesis*. George Mason University. Fairfax, October 24th, 2010.

“Beyond Idol Worship: Mullā Ṣadrā’s Critique of Mental Constructs of God.” *Göttinger Orient-Symposium*. University of Göttingen. Göttingen, April 26th, 2010.

“The Expanse of God’s Mercy in Later Islamic Thought.” College of the Humanities, Carleton University. Ottawa, December 8th, 2008.

“Dimensions of Islam.” Canadian Forces Chaplain School and Centre. Borden, October 29th, 2008.

INVITED PANELS

Closing remarks (with Shafique Virani). *Ibn ‘Arabi and the Shi’i Tradition: Texts, Ideas, Receptions*. Department of Philosophy, University of Toronto. Co-sponsored by the Shi’a Research Institute. Toronto, June 5th, 2024.

Discussant on a panel entitled “Why LAL?” *10 Years of the Library of Arabic Literature: A Celebration*. NYU Abu Dhabi Institute. Abu Dhabi, September 28th, 2023.

Panelist in an event entitled “Wolves, Gorillas, a Jerboa and More! Animals and the Library of Arabic Literature.” NYU Abu Dhabi Institute in New York. New York, June 6th, 2023.

Discussant on a panel on pedagogical methods in Sufi studies. *The International Summer School of Sufi Studies*. Institute for Sufi Studies, Üsküdar University. Istanbul, July 23rd, 2022.

Panelist in a book launch dedicated to *Mysticism and Ethics in Islam*. The Center for Arab and Middle Eastern Studies and the Sheikh Zayed Chair of Arabic and Islamic Studies, American University of Beirut. December 1st, 2021 (online).

Panel Chair, “Philosophical Sufism Beyond the Classical Muslim World.” *Sufism and Philosophy: Historical Interactions and Crosspollinations*. School of Philosophy, Theology and Religion, University of Birmingham. Birmingham, April 27th, 2019.

Panelist in an event entitled “Talking Translation.” *The Love of Words Majlis*. Emirates Literature Foundation. Dubai, December 11th, 2018.

Panelist in a discussion on Sufi studies in the academy. *The International Summer School of Sufi Studies*. Institute for Sufi Studies, Üsküdar University. Istanbul, July 29th, 2018.

Panelist in a discussion on the Abrahamic faiths and ecology. *Religion, Ecology, and Our Planetary Future*. Center for the Study of World Religions, Harvard Divinity School. Cambridge, MA, October 14th, 2016.

Moderator for a lecture on contemporary Islamic thought. Speaker: Seyyed Hossein Nasr. *The Annual Reviving the Islamic Spirit Conference*. Toronto, December 27th, 2015.

Chair for a lecture on Avicenna. Speaker: Olga Lizzini; Commentator: Robert Wisnovsky. *The University of Toronto Colloquium in Medieval Philosophy*. University of Toronto. Toronto, September 20th, 2014.

Participant in the annual summer meeting of the Scriptural Reasoning Group. University of Cambridge. Cambridge, July 18th–20th, 2011.

CONFERENCES ORGANIZED

From the Divine to the Human: New Perspectives on Evil, Suffering, and the Global Pandemic. Co-organized with Muhammad U. Faruque. University of Cincinnati. Co-sponsored by the Carleton Centre for the Study of Islam. June 28–30th, 2022 (online).

- Conference report by Noah Taj in *Journal of Islamic and Muslim Studies* 7, no. 2 (2022): 120–127.

Mysticism and Ethics in Islam. Co-organized with Bilal Orfali and Radwan Sayyid. Sheikh Zayed Chair of Arabic and Islamic Studies Conference. American University of Beirut. Beirut, May 2nd–3rd, 2019.

- Conference report by Louise Gallorini in *Al-‘Uṣūr al-Wuṣṭā* 27 (2019): 267–272.

Rationality and Language in Islamic Thought. NYU Abu Dhabi Institute. Abu Dhabi, November 7th–8th, 2017.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Blurbs for Books (Book Jackets and Publisher Websites)

- 2025 James Morris, *Openings: From the Qur’an to the Islamic Humanities* (Fons Vitae)
- 2025 Rahim Acar and M. Cüneyt Kaya (eds.), *Philosophy of Religion in Islam: A Reader of Classical Sources* (Bloomsbury)
- 2025 Dunja Rašić, *The Nightfolk: Ibn ‘Arabī on the People of the Night* (University of California Press)
- 2025 Faris Abdel Hadi, *Ibn ‘Arabī’s Religious Pluralism: Levels of Inclusivity* (Routledge)
- 2025 William Rory Dickson, *Dissolving into Being: The Wisdom of Sufi Philosophy* (Anqa)
- 2024 Muzaffar Iqbal et al (eds.), *Integrated Encyclopedia of the Qur’ān* (Center for Islamic Sciences)
- 2024 Caner Dagli, *Metaphysical Institutions: Islam and the Modern Project* (SUNY Press)
- 2024 Cyrus Ali Zargar, *Religion of Love: Sufism and Self-Transformation in the Poetic Imagination of ‘Aṭṭār* (SUNY Press)
- 2024 Oludamini Ogunnaike, *The Book of Clouds* (Fons Vitae)
- 2023 Omneya Ayad, *Love in Sufi Literature: Ibn ‘Ajība’s Understanding of the Divine Word* (Routledge)
- 2023 Hany Ibrahim, *Love in the Teachings of Ibn ‘Arabī* (Equinox)
- 2022 Baraka Blue, *The Art of Remembrance* (Rumi Center Press)

- 2022 Abdullah Bosnevi, *Patterns of Contemplation*, ed. and trans. Pablo Beneito and Stephen Hirtenstein (Anqa)
- 2022 Mukhtar H. Ali, *Philosophical Sufism: An Introduction to the School of Ibn al-‘Arabī* (Routledge)
- 2021 Muhammad U. Faruque, *Sculpting the Self: Islam, Selfhood and Human Flourishing* (University of Michigan Press)
- 2020 Oludamini Ogunnaike, *Deep Knowledge: Ways of Knowing in Sufism and Ifa, Two West African Intellectual Traditions* (Penn State University Press)
- 2020 Shankar Nair, *Translating Wisdom: Hindu-Muslim Intellectual Interactions in Early Modern South Asia* (University of California Press)
- 2020 Maḥmūd Shabistārī, *The Rose Garden of Mystery*, trans. Robert Darr (Archetype)
- 2020 Dāwūd al-Qayṣarī, *The Horizons of Being*, trans. Mukhtar H. Ali (Brill)
- 2019 Aydogan Kars, *Unsayng God: Negative Theology in Islam* (Oxford University Press)
- 2018 Sayeh Meisami, *Knowledge and Power in the Philosophies of Ḥamīd al-Dīn Kirmānī and Mullā Ṣadrā Shīrāzī* (Palgrave Macmillan)
- 2018 Atif Khalil, *Repentance and the Return to God: Tawba in Early Sufism* (SUNY Press)
- 2017 Yousef Casewit, *The Mystics of al-Andalus: Ibn al-Barraḡān and Islamic Thought in the Twelfth Century* (Cambridge University Press)
- 2017 Al-Ṭabarī, *Tafsīr*, trans. Scott Lucas (Islamic Texts Society)
- 2017 Cyrus Ali Zargar, *The Polished Mirror: Storytelling and the Pursuit of Virtue in Islamic Philosophy and Sufism* (Oneworld)
- 2012 Sharaf al-Din Maneri, *A Mine of Meaning*, trans. Paul Jackson (Fons Vitae)

Advisory Boards

Fons Vitae (Louisville, KY)

The Philosophical Forum (Wiley)

Majallat al-dirāsāt al-falsafiyya (Brill)

Adyān wa-‘irfān (University of Tehran)

Ibn Arabi Initiative (Monash University)

Islamic Studies (Islamic Research Institute, Islamabad)

Journal of the Muhyiddin Ibn ‘Arabi Society (United Kingdom)

Tasavvuf Arařtırmaları Enstitüsü Dergisi (Üsküdar University)

Comparative Philosophy of Religion Book Series (Springer)

Peer-Reviewer

Tenure and Promotion Files

Binghamton University; Hamad Bin Khalifa University; Khalifa University; Monash University; Providence College; University of British Columbia; University of Central Florida; University of Chicago Divinity School; University of Kentucky; Université du Québec à Montréal; University of Virginia

Research Grant Applications

Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft; Fonds National de la Recherche Scientifique (FNRS); Templeton Foundation; NYU Abu Dhabi Institute Humanities Research Fellowship

Prize Competitions

BRAIS Prize; MIAS Translation Prize; MIAS Young Writer's Award

Book Manuscripts

Bloomsbury; Cambridge University Press; Edinburgh University Press; Equinox; Fons Vitae; I. B. Tauris; Islamic Texts Society; New York University Press; Oneworld; Oxford University Press; Palgrave Macmillan; Princeton University Press; Routledge; State University of New York Press; University of California Press

Article Manuscripts

Al-Abhath; Al-Markaz; Aries; Brill (edited volume); Cambridge University Press (edited volume); Canadian Review of Comparative Literature; Comparative Islamic Studies; Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy; Iran; Iranian Studies; Islam and Christian-Muslim Relations; Islamic Studies; Islamic Studies Journal; Jerusalem Studies in Arabic and Islam; Journal of the American Oriental Society; Journal of Arabic Literature; Journal of Islamic Ethics; Journal of the History of Philosophy; Journal of the Intellectual History of the Islamicate World; Journal of Islamic and Muslim Studies; Journal of Islamic Philosophy; Journal of Medieval Religious Cultures; JMIAS; Journal of Qur'anic Studies; Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society; Journal of Sufi Studies; Majallat al-dirāsāt al-Islāmiyya; Theology; Oriens; Oxford Journal of Islamic Studies; Oxford University Press (edited volume); Philosophy East and West; Religions; Religion Compass; Religious Studies; Renovatio; Shii Studies Review; Sophia; St Andrews Encyclopaedia of Theology; Studies in Religion; Tasavvuf Araştırmaları Enstitüsü Dergisi; Toronto Journal of Theology

GRADUATE ADVISORY ROLES

Postdoctoral Supervision

Muhammad Fariduddin Attar, “A Critical Arabic Edition of Fakhr al-Dīn al-Rāzī’s *al-Sirr al-maktūm fī mukhāṭabāt al-nujūm*.” Funded by the Fonds de recherche du Québec—Société et culture (FRQSC). Carleton Centre for the Study of Islam, 2024–2026.

Doctoral Dissertations

Supervisor

Noah Taj, “Epistolary Theory in Post-Classical Islamic History: The Qūnawī-Ṭūsī Correspondence.” Carleton University, Cultural Mediations Doctoral Program, in progress. Co-supervised with Asad Ahmed.

Committee Member

Abraham Al-Zubeidi, “TBD.” University of South Australia, Centre for Islamic Thought and Education, in progress. Supervisor: Nadeem Memon.

Mehmet Emin Gulecyuz, “Mollā Fenārī’s Metaphysics [working title].” The University of Chicago Divinity School, in progress. Supervisor: Yousef Casewit.

Niusha Hatefinia, “TBD.” Simon Fraser University, School for Contemporary Arts, in progress. Supervisor: Laura Marks.

Mohammed Mehdi Ali, “TBD.” The University of Chicago Divinity School, in progress. Supervisor: Yousef Casewit.

James Shelton Nalley, “Holy Friendship: A Comparative Theology of St. Thomas Aquinas and Ibn ‘Arabī.” Georgetown University, Department of Theology and Religious Studies, 2024. Supervisor: Stephen Fields.

External Examiner

Louise Gallorini, “The Symbolic Function of Angels in the Qur’ān and Sufi Literature.” American University of Beirut, Department of Arabic and Near-Eastern Languages, 2021. Supervisor: Bilal Orfali.

Omar Edaibat, “The Bā ‘Alawī Sāda of the Hadhramaut Valley: An Intellectual and Social History from Tenth-Century Origins till the Late-Sixteenth Century.” McGill University, Institute of Islamic Studies, 2021. Supervisor: Rula Abisaab.

Naser Dumairieh, “Intellectual Life in the Ḥijāz in the 17th Century: The Works and Thought of Ibrāhīm al-Kūrānī.” McGill University, Institute of Islamic Studies, 2018. Supervisor: Robert Wisnovsky.

Masters Theses

Supervisor

Nooruddin Hafiz, “The Variant Readings of the Quran between Social Influence and Religious Practice.” Carleton University, College of the Humanities, 2022.

Noah Taj, “The Fount of *Ma‘rifa*: Commentarial Theory and Practice in the Writings of Bahā’ al-Dīn al-Qazwīnī.” Carleton University, College of the Humanities, 2022.

Muhammad Siddiqui, “The Sacred Conception of Nature in the Thought of Seyyed Hossein Nasr.” Carleton University, College of the Humanities, 2017.

External Examiner

Hany Talaat Ibrahim, “Ibn ‘Arabī’s Metaphysics of Love.” University of Lethbridge, Department of Religious Studies, 2014. Supervisor: Atif Khalil.

Jonathan Dubé, “Pure Generosity, Divine Providence, and the Perfection of the Soul in the Philosophy of Ibn Sīnā.” McGill University, Institute of Islamic Studies, 2014. Supervisor: Robert Wisnovsky.

TEACHING

Graduate Courses

‘Ayn al-Qudat’s *Essence of Reality*; Readings from ‘Ayn al-Qudat’s *Tamhīdāt*; Divine Love in Islam; Research Methods; Sufi Metaphysics of Nature; The Philosophy of ‘Ayn al-Qudat

Directed Reading Graduate Courses

'Ayn al-Qudat's Mystical Theology; Ibn 'Arabi's Ontology; Iqbal's Aesthetics of the Self; Philosophical Sufism; Quranic Exegetical Literature; Variant Readings in the Quran and Quranic Exegesis

Undergraduate Courses

Al-Ghazali's *Niche of Lights*; Classical Islamic Thought; Contemporary Islamic Thought; Divine Love in Islam; Interpretations of Religion; Introduction to Islam; Islamic Philosophy; Islamic Philosophical Texts; The Islamic Religious Tradition; Introduction to the Quran; Islam in the Modern World; Islamic Cosmology; Judaism, Christianity, Islam; Mystical and Contemplative Traditions; Rumi and the Way of Love; Shi'i Philosophy; Sufism; The Life and Image of Muhammad; The Metaphysics of Ibn 'Arabi; The Philosophy of Avicenna; Theory and Method

Directed Reading Undergraduate Courses

Al-Ghazali's *Qawā'id al-ʿaqā'id*; Al-Ghazali's *Riyādat al-nafs*; Images of the Divine; Islam and Buddhism; Meister Eckhart; Readings in Avicenna; Reason and Revelation in Islam; Sufi Quranic Exegesis; Sufi Texts; *The Study Quran*; Topics in Metaphysics and Cosmology; Western Esotericism