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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

University of Massachusetts-Amherst, Department of Sociology

Associate Professor, 2018 -
Assistant Professor, 2011 - 18

Faculty affiliate: UMass Ethnography Collective
Resistance Studies Initiative

Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, NJ

Member, School of Social Science, 2019 - 20

L'Institut d'Études Politiques, Lyon, France

Visiting Researcher, Laboratoire Triangle (University of Lyon II, l'Institut d'Études
Politiques Lyon, l'École Normale Supérieure de Lyon), 2014

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Sociology, University of California, Berkeley (2011)
M.P.P. School of Public Policy, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
B.A. Political Science with honors, University of California, Berkeley

BOOK

2017 *Politicizing Islam: the Islamic Revival in France and India*. New York: Oxford
University Press. (2022 Paperback release)

- 2018 Global Division Outstanding Book Award, Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP)
- 2018 Distinguished Book Award, Section on Religion, American Sociological Association (ASA)
- 2018 Honorable Mention, Outstanding Contribution to Political Sociology, Section on Political Sociology, American Sociological Association (ASA)
- Reviewed in *Social Forces*, *Sociology of Religion*, *Mobilization*, *Ethnic and Racial Studies*, *The Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*, *European Journal of Sociology (special symposium)*, *Islamic Horizons*, *Critical Research on Religion*, *Reading Religion (online)*, *Journal of Religion*

JOURNAL ARTICLES (PEER REVIEWED)

2022. "Varieties of Misrecognition: Connecting Bourdieu and Fanon toward an analysis of racialized Islamic fields." *Sociological Theory* 40(3):272-296.
2018. "The Sorrow of Parting: Ethnographic depth and the role of emotions." *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography* 47(4): 454-483.
2017. "Toward a Global Sociology of Religion." *Teaching Sociology* 45(4): 313-323.
2016. "Prayer and Pedagogy: Redefining education among Salafist women in France." *Journal of Religious and Political Practice* 2(1): 23-39.
* Reprinted in *Prayer and Politics*, edited by Peter Van der Veer. 2017. New York: Routledge.
2014. "Celebrating the Prophet: Religious nationalism and the politics of Milad-un-Nabi festivals in India." *Nations and Nationalism* 20(2): 218-238.
2011. "Debating the Burqa in France: the Antipolitics of Islamic Revival." *Qualitative Sociology* 34(2): 287-312.
 - Translated into French and reprinted in *Quand la burqa passe à l'Ouest: Enjeux éthiques, politiques et juridiques*, edited by Olivier Roy and David Koussens. 2014. Rennes: Presses Universitaires de Rennes.
 - 2011 Best Graduate Student Paper Award, Section on Religion, American Sociological Association
2006. "The Labor of Pleasure: How Emotional Labor Impacts Women's Perceptions of Pornography." *Gender and Society* 20(5): 605-631.

BOOK CHAPTERS

2022. "Reflections on Mutual Aid." In *Pandemic Exposures: Economy and Society in the Time of Coronavirus*, edited by Didier Fassin and Marion Fourcade. Chicago: HAU Books. Pp. 209-225.
2020. Garner, Ashley and Parvez, Z. Fareen. "Gender and the Racialization of Muslims." In *Religion Is Raced: Understanding American Religion in the 21st Century*, edited by Grace Yukich and Penny Edgell. New York: New York University Press. Pp. 134-156.
2013. "Recognition and Antipolitics among Muslims in France: Representing 'Islam of the Banlieues'." In *Muslim political participation in Europe*, edited by Jørgen S. Nielsen. Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press. Pp. 190-211.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

- “The Financialization of Dowry” (draft available)
- “Bondage without Bonds: Household debt in urban India”

BOOK REVIEWS

2021. “Mobility and Stagnation in Neoliberal India.” Review of *Narrow Fairways: Getting by and Falling Behind in the New India*, by Patrick Inglis. 2019. *European Journal of Sociology*.
2020. *Radicalized Loyalties: Becoming Muslim in the West*, by Fabien Truong. 2018. *Contemporary Sociology* 49(1):94-96.
2018. *Alternative Sociologies of Religion: Through Non-Western Eyes*, by James V. Spickard. 2017. *Contemporary Sociology* 47(4): 497-498.
2018. *Islamophobia and Racism in America*, by Eric Love. 2017. *Mobilization* 23(1): 127-134.
2018. *Citizen Outsider: Children of North African Immigrants*, by Jean Beaman. 2017. *Migration Studies*.
2014. *The Headscarf Controversy: Secularism and Freedom of Religion*, by Hilal Elver. 2012. *Sociology of Islam* 1(3-4): 284-286.
2011. *Female Homosexuality in the Middle East: Histories and Representations*, by Samar Habib. 2007. *International Sociology* 26(5): 634.

PUBLIC SOCIOLOGY (ESSAYS)

2021. “The ZAD: Between Utopian Radicalism and Negotiated Pragmatism” (with Stellan Vinthagen). *ROAR Magazine*, 11 September.
2021. “Lyon. The Imaginary Separatism of Salafi Women.” *Orientxxi (translated into French)*, 6 January.
2020. “Long before COVID-19, Muslim communities in India built solidarity through mutual aid.” *Waging Non-Violence*, 10 July.
2019. “Targeting Mothers in Headscarves will not help France.” *The Brussels Times*, 17 December.
2017. “Will outlawing ‘instant divorce’ advance justice for Muslim women in India?” *The Conversation*, 25 September. Reprinted in *The Huffington Post*, *LA Times*, *Chicago Tribune*.

2017. “Religious conservatism doesn’t make a terrorist.” *The Guardian*, 6 June.
2017. “La fermeture des mosquées n’est pas la réponse.” *Médiapart*, 21 April. (Translation: “Shutting down mosques is not the solution”)
2017. “EU Court allows companies to ban headscarves. What will be the impact on Muslim women?” *The Conversation*, 16 March. Reprinted in *Salon*.
2017. “Who exactly are ‘radical’ Muslims?” *The Conversation*, 22 February. Reprinted in *Salon*, *Newsweek*, *The Huffington Post*, *InformedComment*.
2014. “Remembering the Panjwai Massacre.” *Counterpunch*, 28 February.

INVITED ESSAYS

2022. “Political Orientations among Muslims in France” (translated into Turkish). *Perspektif*. (Turkish news magazine)
2021. “French Muslims and the Subversive Call of Intersectionality.” *Berkley Forum*. **Georgetown University Berkley Center for Religion, Peace & World Affairs**. <https://berkeleycenter.georgetown.edu/responses/french-muslims-and-the-subversive-call-of-intersectionality>
2021. “Socialize, Don’t Financialize” (with Martino Comelli). **Progressive International**. <https://progressive.international/blueprint/3baa7db4-7d3b-4038-b9a2-50ff64eae60e-socialize-dont-financialize/en>.
2021. Interview with **Parti des Indigènes de la République**. <http://indigenes-republique.fr/toutes-les-formes-de-secularisme-comme-le-capitalisme-ont-des-contradictions-internes-entretien-avec-z-fareen-parvez/>.
2020. “A New International Movement for Debt Justice.” **Progressive International**. <https://progressive.international/blueprint/9f9e5b59-8acd-4d0d-9073-2960d2f09aa9-parvez-a-new-international-movement-for-debt-justice/en>
2017. “Politicizing Islam: An introduction.” *The Immanent Frame*, **Social Science Research Council**. <http://blogs.ssrc.org/tif/2017/02/09/politicizing-islam/>.
2017. “The problem with liberalizing Islam.” **Oxford University Press** blog. <https://blog.oup.com/2017/02/liberalizing-islam-salafi-muslim/>.
2017. “Politicizing Islam.” **The Page 99 Test**. <http://page99test.blogspot.com/2017/03/z-fareen-parvezs-politicizing-islam.html>.

2017. "New Book: Muslims in France and India." Interview by C.N. Le. *Asian-Nation: The Landscape of Asian America*. <http://www.asian-nation.org/headlines/?p=1976>.
2015. "A view from the margins of the banlieue: the Exclusion of Salafi Muslim women." *Reviews and Critical Commentary*, published by the **Council for European Studies**. Special issue on Charlie Hebdo attacks in France. <http://councilforeuropeanstudies.org/critcom/a-view-from-the-margins-of-the-banlieue-the-social-exclusion-of-salafi-muslim-women/>.
2015. "The movement for women-led prayers in Islam: An interview with Juliane Hammer." *Reverberations: New Directions in the Study of Prayer*, **Social Science Research Council**. April 29, 2015. <http://forums.ssrc.org/ndsp/2015/04/29/woman-led-prayer-a-conversation-with-juliane-hammer/>. (Authored with Mariam Awaisi).
2014. "Reciting the Quran in the urban periphery." *Reverberations: New Directions in the Study of Prayer*, **Social Science Research Council**. December 10, 2014. <http://forums.ssrc.org/ndsp/2014/12/10/reciting-the-quran-in-the-urban-periphery/>.
2014. "The piety of celebrating the Prophet." *Reverberations: New Directions in the Study of Prayer*, **Social Science Research Council**. December 3, 2014. <http://forums.ssrc.org/ndsp/2014/12/03/the-piety-of-celebrating-the-prophet/>.
2014. "Theoretical trajectories: Emotions, agency, and power." *Reverberations: New Directions in the Study of Prayer*, **Social Science Research Council**. November 25, 2014. <http://forums.ssrc.org/ndsp/2014/11/25/theoretical-trajectories-emotion-agency-and-power/>. (Authored with Mariam Awaisi).
2014. "Gender Matters." *Reverberations: New Directions in the Study of Prayer*, **Social Science Research Council**. November 14, 2014. <http://forums.ssrc.org/ndsp/2014/11/19/gender-matters/>.
2013. "Transcending universalism and particularism." *Reverberations: New Directions in the Study of Prayer*, **Social Science Research Council**. September 10, 2013. <http://forums.ssrc.org/ndsp/2013/09/10/transcending-universalism-and-particularism/>.
2013. "Supplications and Islamic Reformism." *Reverberations: New Directions in the Study of Prayer*, **Social Science Research Council**. April 15, 2013. <http://forums.ssrc.org/ndsp/2013/04/15/supplications-and-islamic-reformism/>.
2010. "Muslim Class Relations and the Freedom to Veil: Secularism and the 'Burqa' in France and India." Available through **Irmgard Coninx Stiftung, Social Science Research Center (WZB), and Humboldt-University Berlin**.
- 2009[2002]. "Women, Poverty, and Welfare Reform." **Sociologists for Women in Society**, Fact Sheet.

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS AND HONORS

2022	Outstanding Researcher Award, UMass College of Social & Behavioral Sciences (\$1,000)
2020-23	“Science, Religion, and the Spirits: on health, healing and Islam in Morocco,” Rice University (funded by Templeton Religion Trust) (\$67,200)
2019-20	Member, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton
2018-19	“Urban and Family Violence in Contemporary India,” UMass-Amherst Faculty Research Grant (\$14,000)
2018-19	“Debt, dowry, and labor migration: reconfiguring family life among the Indian Muslim urban poor,” American Institute of Indian Studies (approx. \$10,000)
2017-19	“Health, Healing, and Islam in Morocco,” Jack Shand Research Award, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (\$4,000)
2012-14	PI for “Prayers of Healing and Supplication: Islam and the Struggle for Pure Faith,” awarded by Social Science Research Council (\$87,494)
2013-14	Mellon Mutual Mentoring Micro-Grant, UMass-Amherst
2012-13	“Debt, dowry, and labor migration: reconfiguring family life among the Indian Muslim urban poor,” proposal preparation. Resident fellowship, Center for Research on Families, UMass-Amherst
2009-10	Simpson Fellowship, Institute of International Studies, UC Berkeley
2008-09	Center for Race and Gender Graduate Student Grant, UC Berkeley
2007-08	National Science Foundation (NSF) Dissertation Improvement Grant
2007-08	Al-Falah Award, Center for Middle Eastern Studies, UC Berkeley
2007-08	Leo Lowenthal Fellowship, Sociology Department, UC Berkeley
2006-07	Dissertation Fellowship, UC Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation
2006	Graduate Division Summer Grant, UC Berkeley
2005-06	Dean’s Fellowship, UC Berkeley

PRESENTATIONS

Invited Talks and Panels

- 2022 Discussant, “Dealing with difference and discrimination: the health of democracy in France.” Council for European Studies, Lisbon, June.
- 2021 “International Debt Resistance,” Resistance Studies Initiative, UMass-Amherst, April.
- 2021 Panelist, “Unpacking Hate,” Rutgers University, March.
- 2021 Panelist, “Participatory Action, Accountability, and Feminist Research,” Dept. of Women, Gender, Sexuality Studies at UMass-Amherst, March.
- 2020 Panelist/Critic, Bringing Back the Social into the Sociology of Religion, American Academy of Religion, November.
- 2019 Panelist, “How do religion, race, and politics intersect?” Presidential Panel, Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, St. Louis, October.
- 2019 “Worlds Apart: Islamic Revival in France and India.” Fall for the Book, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA, October.
- 2019 “Politicizing Islam.” Department of Sociology, University of Hyderabad, January.
- 2018 “Politicizing Islam.” Department of Sociology, NYU-Abu Dhabi, October.
- 2018 Panelist, Gender and Islam. Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, Syracuse University, March.
- 2017 Author-Meets-Critics session for *Politicizing Islam*. Social Science History Association, Montréal, Canada, November.
- Roundtable discussion of Appendix A of *Politicizing Islam*. American Academy of Religion, Boston, November.
- “Politicizing Islam.” Department of Sociology, Colby College, Maine, October.
- Panelist, “Religious Discrimination.” Religion and Public Life Program and Department of Sociology, Rice University, Houston, September. (Postponed due to Hurricane Harvey)
- Author-Meets-Critics session for *Politicizing Islam*. Association for the Sociology of Religion, Montréal, Canada, August.
- Panelist, The Future of Muslim Societies: Governance, Movements, and Religion. American Sociological Association, Montréal, Canada, August.

Book Salon, “Dissent,” Amherst College, Amherst, MA, April.

“From Recognition to Antipolitics: An ethnography of Muslims in Lyon.” SciencesPo, Paris, France, April.

Roundtable discussion on Global Islam and the U.S. Amherst College, Amherst, MA, March.

Panelist, “Religious Freedom and the Politicization of Islam.” University of Massachusetts, Amherst, March.

2015 “Why I am not Charlie: A view from the margins of the *banlieue*.” Buffalo State College and SUNY Buffalo, October.

Discussant for *The Headscarf Debates* by Anna Korteweg and Gökçe Yurdakul. Author Meets Critics session, Association for the Sociology of Religion, August.

2014 Panel discussant, Religion and Politics section, Social Science History Association, Toronto, Canada, November.

“Recognition politics among Muslims in France: Class, justice, and self-realization.” L’École Normale Supérieure de Lyon, France, July.

2012 Panel discussant, Political Participation among Muslims in Europe. International Political Science Association, Madrid, Spain, July.

Panelist, “The Antipolitics of women’s Salafist Islamic revival in France.” Council for European Studies, Boston, March.

2011 “Islamic revival and Muslim women’s education in Hyderabad, India.” American Federation of Muslims of Indian Origin, Chicago, September.

2010 Workshop participant. “Muslim Class Relations and the Freedom to Veil.” Berlin Roundtables on Transnationality, Social Science Research Center (WZB), Berlin, Germany, April. * *Special Distinction for Participation (awarded to two out of twenty)*

Conference Presentations

2022 “The Financialization of Dowry.” American Sociological Association, Los Angeles, August.

2021 “Defending the commons in western France” (with Stellan Vinthagen). Council for European Studies, Online, June.

2015 “Prayer and Pedagogy: Redefining education among Salafist women in France.” Council for European Studies, Paris, July.

- 2014 “The challenges of studying global Salafism.” American Sociological Association, San Francisco, August.
- 2014 “A social critique of religious judgment.” International Sociological Association, Yokohama, July.
- 2012 “Undoing the Paradox of Islamic Feminism: Political Community in the Slums of Hyderabad.” Eastern Sociological Society, New York, February.
- 2011 “State secularisms and the politics of Islamic revival in France and India.” Social Science History Association, Boston, November.
- 2011 “Defining the Political in Post-9/11 Muslim Societies: the case of Hyderabad, India.” States of Emergency: A Conference in Honor of Peter Evans, UC Berkeley, Berkeley, May.
- 2010 “Antipolitics and the Burqa in France: The Defense of Faith and the Private Sphere.” American Sociological Association, Atlanta, August.
- 2010 “Representing “Islam of the Banlieues”: The Politics and Antipolitics of Muslims in France.” Center for Islamic Thought, University of Copenhagen, Denmark, April.
- 2010 “The Role of Muslim Class Relations in the Politics of Islam in France and India.” Jamia Millia Islamia University, New Delhi, February.
- 2008 “Counting French Muslims: Belief, Practice, and Political Stakes.” Columbia University, Religion Department Graduate Students Association, New York, April.
- 2007 “The Politics of Islam in France and India: Redistribution versus Recognition.” American Sociological Association, New York, August.
- 2007 “The Politics of Islam in France and India: An Analysis of State-Muslim Relations and Working-Class Piety.” SUNY-Stonybrook Graduate Student Ethnography Conference, New York, March.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2019 - Editorial Board member, *Identities: Global Studies in Culture and Power*
- 2019 Appointed Member, Committee on Nominations, Section on Political Sociology, American Sociological Association
- 2019 Chair, Outstanding Book Award Committee, Global Division of the Society for the Study of Social Problems
- 2019 Chair, Feminist Scholar Award Committee, Section on Sex and Gender, American Sociological Association

- 2018 Chair, Sally Hacker Award Committee, Section on Sex and Gender, American Sociological Association
- 2017-19 Elected member, Council, Section on Sex and Gender, American Sociological Association
- 2017 Appointed Member, Committee on Nominations, Section on Religion, American Sociological Association
- 2014-16 Appointed Member, Program Committee, Section on Sex and Gender, American Sociological Association
- 2015 Panel Co-Organizer, Section on Sex and Gender, American Sociological Association
- 2013 Panel Organizer, Section on Arabs and Arab Americans, American Sociological Association
- 2012-14 Elected Member, Sally Hacker Award Committee, Section on Sex and Gender, American Sociological Association

Ad hoc Reviewer: American Journal of Sociology; American Political Science Review; Gender & Society; Contemporary Sociology; Law & Social Inquiry; Politics, Religion & Ideology; Qualitative Sociology; European Journal of Sociology; Oxford University Press; Council for Social Sciences and the Humanities of the Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research, Nordic Journal of Migration Research

Memberships:

American Sociological Association
 Sections on Religion; Political Sociology; Global and Transnational Sociology; Sex and Gender; Marxist Sociology; Economic Sociology

International Sociological Association

Council for European Studies

Social Science History Association

Progressive International

DEPARTMENTAL AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE

- 2021- Graduate Program Director, Sociology, UMass-Amherst
- 2020- Massachusetts Society of Professors, Union Executive Board
- 2019 Interim Undergraduate Program Director, Sociology, UMass-Amherst
- 2017-18 Chair, Committee on Intellectual Activities, Sociology, UMass-Amherst
- 2016-17 Member, Committee on Intellectual Activities, Sociology, UMass-Amherst
- 2016 Organizer and Facilitator, Faculty panel on “Race and the Elections,” UMass-Amherst
- 2015-16 Faculty consultant for inaugural conference, “Unbounding Ethnography: Theory and Method Beyond the Disciplines,” UMass-Amherst
- 2015-16 Member, Personnel Committee, Sociology, UMass-Amherst
- 2015 Member, Committee on Undergraduate Studies, Sociology, UMass-Amherst
- 2015 Member, Social and Behavioral Sciences Research Council, UMass-Amherst
- 2012 Member, Faculty Recruitment Committee, Sociology, UMass-Amherst

TEACHING AND ADVISING

UMass-Amherst, Sociology

Graduate:	Introduction to Social Theory Ethnographic Methods Contemporary Marxist Theory Independent Study: A Critical Sociology of Religion
Graduate Advising: (2011 – 22)	Member of 9 dissertation committees Chair of 4 comprehensive exam committees Member of 10 comprehensive exam committees Supervision of 3 Research Assistants
Undergraduate:	Introduction to Social Theory Sociology of Religion Chair of 3 honors theses and 1 independent study Supervision of 3 Research Assistants

University of California, Berkeley, Sociology

Undergraduate:	“Race and gender in the politics of religion”
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LANGUAGES

Urdu (near fluent, native comprehension, proficient in reading and writing)
French (near fluent)
Arabic (proficient reading and writing; beginner conversation)

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT (SELECT)

- Member of Debt Justice Working Group, Progressive International, 2020-
- Co-Coordinator, Western Mass Asylum Support Network, 2020-
- Member of Demilitarize Western Mass, 2022-
- Community Resources Board member and volunteer with ARISE for Social Justice, Springfield, MA, 2015-2020
- Authored political pamphlet on India’s Citizenship Amendment Act, 2020
- Co-Facilitator for ARISE Free School, “Race and Imperialism,” Springfield, MA, Summer 2019
- Panelist, “Rohingya Refugees in Hyderabad,” Lamakaan Cultural Center, Hyderabad, India, August 29, 2019