

ISLA 310. WOMEN IN ISLAM.

Credits: 0-3

Offered by: Islamic Studies (Faculty of Arts)

This course is not offered this catalogue year.

Description

The socio-legal status, conditions, and experiences of various groups of women in Middle Eastern societies. These features are explored within the framework of Islamic feminism and Western feminist discourses, and the tensions and conflicts between them. The dynamics of seclusion, veiling, and polygamy are explored in connection to Medieval Arab ruling elites as a background to some of the discussions and debates over the status of women in modern postcolonial Arab society. Socio-economic divisions, state policies, patriarchy, and colonialism are investigated as key factors in understanding the modern historical transformation of gendered relations and women's roles.

- Prerequisites::Either ISLA 200 or ISLA 210.

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