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#### **~Education**

- 2005- 2010     **University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill** - Chapel Hill, NC  
Ph.D. in Religious Studies
- 1996-1998     **University of Colorado** - Boulder, CO  
M.A. in Religious Studies
- 1993-1995     **Bard College** - Annandale-on-Hudson, NY  
B.A. in History
- 1990-1993     **Herzen University**, St. Petersburg, Russia

**Areas of Specialization:** American Islam, Qur'anic Studies, Muslim homiletics, Modern Muslim Intellectual History, American Religious History, Interfaith Dialogue.

**Areas of Competence:** African-American Studies, Memory Studies, Rhetoric, Religion in American Public Life, Islam in Iran, Sufism, Islam in Europe and Former Soviet Union.

#### **~Professional Experience**

2015 to present Associate Professor of Contemporary Islam, Hartford Seminary

*Courses: Muslims in American Religious History; Islamic History II; Muslim Political Theology in the 20th and 21st Centuries; Race, Religion and Politics; Novel Muslims: Muslim Modernities Through Fiction; Contemporary Religion and Public Life; Muslims in North America and Europe: Discourses and Practices; Muslim Public Speaking: History and Practice; Understanding and Engaging Religious Diversity; Understanding Muslim Congregations (co-taught); Introduction to Islam for Non-Muslims (co-taught); Understanding Muslim Congregations (co-taught); PhD Research and Methodology (co-taught)*

2019 to present Senior Advisor on Multifaith Training, *Religion and Resettlement Project*, Princeton University

2016 to present “Field Shaper” (advisor/consultant), *Campus Chaplaincy for a Multifaith World* project, Reconstructionist Rabbinical College

2010 to 2015     Assistant Professor of Contemporary Islam, Hartford Seminary

2013 to 2014     Lead Faculty, Princeton University. Course: *Interfaith and Civic Engagement: An Intensive Field-Based Seminar for Princeton’s Interfaith Summer Internship Program*

2012	Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Religion, Trinity College. Course: <i>Islam in America</i>
2009	Instructor, Department of Religious Studies, UNC-Chapel Hill. Course: <i>The Qur'an as Literature</i>
2009	Instructor, Carolina Courses Online, UNC-Chapel Hill. Course: <i>African-American Religions</i> (online course)
2008- 2009	Researcher, "Anti-Terror Lessons of American Muslim Communities," Joint UNC-Duke Research Project, Funded by National Institute of Justice
2008	Research Assistant to Bruce Lawrence, Duke University (editing and preparation to publication of Marilyn Robinson Waldman's <i>Prophecy and Power: Muhammad and the Qur'an in the Light of Comparison</i> , Equinox Publishing, 2012)
2006-2007	Teaching Assistant, Department of Religious Studies, UNC-Chapel Hill. Course: <i>Modern Islamic Civilization</i>
2005-2006	Instructional Assistant, Department of Religious Studies, UNC-Chapel Hill. Course: <i>Introduction to Islamic Civilization</i>
2003-2005	Program Director, <i>Muslims in New York Civic Life</i> Program (funded by the Carnegie Corporation of New York), The Interfaith Center of New York, NY
1999- 2005	Program Coordinator, Educational Programs, The Interfaith Center of New York, NY
2000- 2001	Adjunct Faculty, St. Francis College, Brooklyn, NY. Course: <i>Survey of the World Religions</i>

## ~Publications

### Books:

*American Muslim Sermons: A Twenty First-Century Sourcebook* (forthcoming)

*Speaking Qur'an: An American Scripture* (University of South Carolina Press, Studies in Comparative Religion Series, 2017)

### Articles and Chapters:

"'God's Mercy is Broader Than This: Theological Sensibilities and Interreligious Theological Education,'" *Critical Issues in Interreligious Learning* (Brill, forthcoming, volume based on a multi-year project supported by the Henry Luce Foundation)

Timur Yuskaev and Harvey Stark, "Imam and Chaplain," *The Handbook of American Islam*, edited by Yvonne Haddad and Jane Smith (Oxford University Press, 2015)

"Local Context as Classroom for Multifaith Education." In *Teaching Theology & Religion* 4, vol. 16 (October 2013): 362-370.

“Muslim Public Intellectuals and Global Muslim Thought.” In *Cambridge Companion to American Islam*, edited by Omid Safi and Juliane Hammer. Cambridge University Press, 2013.

“Introduction: 9/11 – Retrospections on a Decade.” In *The Muslim World* 101, vol. 3 (July 2011): 369-373.

“Wadud, Amina.” In *Encyclopedia of Muslim-American History*, edited by Edward E. Curtis. Facts on File, Inc., 2010.

“Said, Omar ibn.” In *Encyclopedia of Muslim-American History*, edited by Edward E. Curtis. Facts on File, Inc., 2010.

“Abdur-Rahim, Shareef.” In *Encyclopedia of Muslim-American History*, edited by Edward E. Curtis. Facts on File, Inc., 2010.

“Wahhaj, Siraj.” In *Encyclopedia of Muslim-American History*, edited by Edward E. Curtis. Facts on File, Inc., 2010.

Mathew Weiner and Timur Yuskaev. “Training Teachers in American Religious Diversity.” In *Building the Interfaith Youth Movement*, edited by Eboo Patel and Patrice C. Brodeur, 155-168. Rowman & Littlefield, 2006.

“Redeeming the Nation: Redemption Theology in African-American Islam,” *Studies in Contemporary Islam* 1, no. 1 (Spring 1999): 29-61.

“African-American Islam in Transformation: From Black Nationalism to Orthodox Islam,” *Bard Journal of Social Sciences* 2, no. 7-8 (April-May 1994).

### **Book Reviews:**

Review of *Muslim Educators in American Communities* edited by Charles Glenn, *Islam and Christian-Muslim Relations* (forthcoming)

Review of *Who is Allah?* by Bruce B. Lawrence, *The Muslim World* 105, vol. 4 (October 2015)

Review of *Understanding Islamic Chaplaincy* by Sophie Gilliat Ray, Mansur Ali and Stephen Pattison, *The Journal of Pastoral Theology* (Fall 2014)

Review of *Defining Islam: A Reader* by Andrew Rippin, *Reviews in Religion & Theology* 15, no. 3 (Summer 2008): 376-379.

Review of *The Other in the Light of the One: The Universality of the Qur'an and the Interfaith Dialogue* by Reza Shah-Kazemi, *Reviews in Religion & Theology* 15, no. 2 (Spring 2008); 245-247.

Review of *Traditions in New Freedom: Christianity and Higher Education in Russia and Ukraine Today* by Jonathan Sutton, *Review of Religious Research, Official Journal of Religious Research Association, Inc.* 39, no. 3 (March 1998).

### **Popular Press and Online Publications:**

Timur Yuskaev and Mathew Weiner, “Ban The Croissant? Secular and Religious Rights,” *The International Herald Tribune* (December 19, 2003).

Timur Yuskaev and Mathew Weiner, “Religious Communities of New York: An Educational Program for Religious Leaders in New York City,” *The Nexus of Queens* (October 22, 2000).

“African-American Islam: Interview Series,” [www.interfaithcenter.org](http://www.interfaithcenter.org), the website of the The Interfaith Center of New York (Summer 1999).

“Russia Vs. Deep Green: The Coverage of Islam in the Russian Press,” *TheStrip*, on-line journal of the Department of Religion, University of Colorado, Boulder, [www.colorado.edu/ReligiousStudies/TheStrip.html](http://www.colorado.edu/ReligiousStudies/TheStrip.html) (Spring 1998).

### **Editorship:**

2013 to present	Co-Editor, <i>The Muslim World</i>
2010 to 2013	Associate Editor, <i>The Muslim World</i>
2011	Special Editor, Special Issue of <i>The Muslim World</i> , “9/11: Retrospections on a Decade”

### **~Conference Papers**

“Speaking Qur’an: an American Scripture,” Racism, Racialization, and African-American Islam in the Americas Conference, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA, April 12, 2018

“Theological Sensibilities and Politics of Deep Pluralism.” Paper presented at Critical Approaches to Interreligious Education workshop (a project supported by the Henry Luce Foundation), Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA, USA, March 22, 2017

“Training American Muslim Chaplains.” Paper presented as part of the “Institutionalizing Interfaith” panel. American Academy of Religion Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA USA 2011

“Preaching Scripture in America: The Qur’an” Paper presented at Judaism and Islam in America Today symposium, Hartford Seminary, Hartford, CT, USA 2011

“Spoken Qur’an: Authentic Assimilation in Muslim American Homiletics.” Paper presented at Judaism and Islam in America Today symposium, Jewish Theological Seminary, New York, NY, USA 2010

“America’s Qur’an: Redemption and Nature in Warith Deen Mohammed’s Oral Tafsir.” Paper presented at the American Academy of Religion Annual Conference, Montreal, Canada 2009.

“Reciting an American Qur’an: Transformative Traditionalism in Hamza Yusuf’s Oral Tafseer.” Paper presented at the American Academy of Religion Annual Conference, Chicago, IL USA 2008.

### **~Service to Institution**

Co-Editor of *The Muslim World* journal, 2013 to present

Director of the Islamic Chaplaincy Program, 2010 to 2013, and 2018 to present

Co-director of Islamic Chaplaincy Program, 2013 to 2018

Director of Imam and Muslim Community Leadership Graduate Certificate Program, 2013 to present

Member of the Admissions Committee, 2010 to present (most years)

Member of the Priorities Committee, 2018 to present

Member of the Seminary Prizes Committee, 2016-2017

Member of the Faculty Personnel Committee, 2013 to 2017 (and, as a replacement, Spring of 2018)

Chair, Search Committee for the Director of the Islamic Chaplaincy core faculty, 2018-2019

Chair, Search Committee for the Luce Professor of Islamic Studies and Christian-Muslim Relations, 2016

Chair, Search Committee for the Associate Professor of Islamic Scriptures and Fiqh, Hartford Seminary, 2013

Chair, Search Committee for the Professor of Islamic Law and Ethics, Hartford Seminary, 2012

Faculty Trustee of Hartford Seminary's Board of Trustees, 2011 - 2013

Member of the Recruitment and Communications Committee of Hartford Seminary's Board of Trustees, 2011 – 2013

#### **~Honors and Distinctions**

2013                      Social Science Research Council – Dissertation Proposal Development Fellowship, Muslim Modernities Research Field, alumni workshop

2008-2009              Social Science Research Council - Dissertation Proposal Development Fellowship, Muslim Modernities Research Field, Research and Travel Grant (field work in San Francisco, CA and Bay Area)

#### **~Select Speaking Engagements**

Lecturer, “Time and Politics of Campus Chaplaincy in the Multifaith World,” Webinar for the Campus Chaplaincy for Multifaith World project, Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, February 27, 2018

Response to keynote address by Dr. Jorgen Nielsen, Luce-Hartford Conference in Christian-Muslim Relations, Hartford Seminary, Hartford, CT, May 22, 2017

Lecturer, “‘When Push Comes to Shove:’ Deeper Politics of Religious Pluralism,” The Chautauqua Institution, August 4, 2016.

Lecture, “Spoken Qur’an: American Voices,” Atlanta Masjid al-Islam, Atlanta, GA, December 3, 2015

Lecturer, “Muslims in America,” Asylum Hill Congregational Church, Hartford, CT, October 16, 23 and 30, 2013

Lecturer, “American Tafsir: Spoken Qur’an of Imam Warith Deen Mohammed,” America’s Islamic Heritage Museum, Washington, DC, September 14, 2013

Lecturer, “Islamic Chaplaincy in the U.S.,” Annual Convention of the Islamic Circle of North America, Hartford, CT, May 26, 2013

Lecturer, “The Qur’an in America,” International Institute of Islamic Thought, Herndon, VA, April 22, 2012

Lecturer, “9/11 and American Muslim Political Theology,” Hartford Seminary, September 11, 2011

Lecturer, “Muslims and American Freedom” and “Islam in the U.S.,” Muslim-Christian Institute, Georgetown University, June 14-16, 2011, Georgetown University, Washington, DC.

Lecturer, “What is American about American Muslims?” Hartford Seminary, March 8, 2011

Moderator, *Religious Diversity in America* Intensive Summer Course for Independent School Teachers and Educators, June 19 - 26, 2003.

Moderator, Rabbi Marshall T. Meyer Working Retreats, The Interfaith Center of New York, May 13 - 14, 2003 and November 13-14, 2002.

Guest Lecturer, “Islam in Russia,” *Covering the Religions in Russia* Graduate Seminar, The Graduate School of Journalism at Columbia University, NY, March 4, 2003 and March 5, 2002.

Moderator, “New York City’s Muslims Respond to the Tragedy,” press conference by representatives of New York City’s Muslim communities in September 11 attacks, The Interfaith Center of New York, New York, NY, September 13, 2001.

#### **~Languages**

Arabic and Russian

#### **~Professional Associations**

American Academy of Religion (AAR)  
Middle Eastern Studies Association (MESA)