

Fact Sheet:

Producing Islam(s) in Canada

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Event Description:

Jennifer Selby, Melanie Adrian and Amélie Barras designed the workshop to focus on a shared conversation of case studies (and not traditional presented papers) to de-emphasize current methodological, theoretical, and disciplinary divisions in the study of Islam and Muslims in Canada, divisions such as the insider/outsider question (and ways in which these positions impact work and responses to it), racialization, potential contributions to securitization discourses, the over-solicitation of some communities. The format also allowed for more exploratory and shared conversation.

Results Dissemination:

- Networking and research relationships established, particularly for junior scholars.
- All attending participants recorded short bios with our three hired Carleton School of Journalism and Communication students. These were then edited and shared on our website: <http://www.mun.ca/relstudies/more/producingislams/participants.php>
- Drawing on contributions from many of our workshop participants, we compiled a bibliography of academic work on Islam and Muslims in Canada, which continues to be updated: <http://www.mun.ca/relstudies/more/producingislams/biblio.php>
- We mentored and supervised three hired Carleton School of Journalism and Communication students as they wrote and produced podcasts based on three of our case studies for the workshop. They have all been “launched” on this website: <http://www.mun.ca/relstudies/more/producingislams/podcasts.php>
- We have received 20 abstracts for chapters to make up an edited volume tentatively titled, *Producing Islam(s) in Canada: On Knowledge Production, Positionality and Politics*, to be edited by the three of us. We also intend to include 3 interviews with other scholars on knowledge production on Islam in Canada. The University of Toronto Press has expressed preliminary interest in reviewing the volume. We intend to submit a book proposal in February 2018.