I. Faculty Publications

Sahar Amer

Glaire Anderson

Carl Ernst
Banu Gokariksel

Charles Kurzman

Omid Safi

Sarah Shields
*National Geographic Countries of the World: Turkey* (National Geographic Children's Books, 2009).

Nadia Yaqub
Canguzel Zulfikar

II. Faculty Conference Presentations and Invited Lectures

Sahar Amer
“Arab Lesbians and Lesbian-Like Women.” Invited talk at Duke University, Program in Women’s and Sexuality Studies (Fall 2008).
“Medieval Arab Lesbians.” Invited talk by the UNC-CH, Comparative Literature program, Furst Lecture series (Fall 2008).
"Le Caire de Nerval Hier et Aujourd'hui. » at the Colloque Nerval, Catania, Sicily, 2008.
“Literature and Expressive Culture.” Chair panel at the Gender, Islam and Health in Africa Conference, UNC-CH, 2009.

Glaire Anderson
"The Object of Encounter: medieval Islamic art and cultural interchange." Five O’clock Scholars Series, Meredith College Department of Art, November 2008.
"Slaves, women, and other aristocrats: Patronage and the Hybrid elite in Umayyad al-Andalus." Transculturations & Cultural Hybridity in America lecture series, College of Fine Arts at the University of Arizona, February 18, 2009.

Carl Ernst
"Islamic Ethics, from the Premodern to the Postcolonial." Lecture at Royal University for Women, Manama, Bahrain, May 15, 2008.
"Islam in South Asia, from Adam's Peak to Bamian.” Discover Islam Center, Manama, Bahrain. May 16, 2008.
Response to UNC Chancellor Holden Thorpe's Inauguration Address: Institute for the Arts and Humanities, UNC-Chapel Hill, January 23, 2009.
“Reading Strategies for Introducing the Qur'an as Literature in an American Public University.” Lecture at Istanbul University Faculty of Divinity, Istanbul, Turkey, March 17, 2009.

Banu Gokariksel
“Urban topographies of Islam and the secular in Turkey.” Invited talk at the Department of Geography, University of Texas, Austin, February 27, 2009.
The veiling-fashion industry in Turkey.” Invited talk, Year of Turkey Lecture Series, Kennesaw State University, April 16, 2009.

Charles Kurzman


Yaron Shemer

"Where is the Ethnic in Israeli Ethnic Cinema?" Guest Speaker, The University of Virginia-Charlottesville. March, 2009:

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III. Outreach

Sahar Amer
"Cultural Diversity in Contemporary Europe.” World View Outreach program for NC high school and community college teachers, October 2008.
“The Veil in the Middle East.” World View Page 2 of 3 Outreach program for NC high school and community college teachers, “Islamic and Middle Eastern cultures: How to include diversity in the curriculum?” March 2009.
“American University and the Budget Crisis.” Organized a one-day program for a French journalist from Radio France International (RFI) to conduct interviews at UNC with myself, students and administrators about the impact of the current budget crisis on university education: http://www.rfi.fr/radiofr/editions/072/edition_19_20090411.asp#2

Glaire Anderson
“In the Material World: Medieval Islamic Luxury Objects and Mediterranean Encounters.”
“Encounters and Exchanges: Reframing the Clash of Civilizations,” Adventures in Ideas Seminar, the Program in the Humanities and Human Values, UNC-Chapel Hill, November 2008.

Carl Ernst
"Changing Approaches to Islamic Studies in American Universities.” Islamic Studies delegation from the University of Jordan State Department International Visitor Leadership Program, August 19, 2008.
"Facing the Fear: Traveling to Iran.” Talk for AIESEC (Association Internationale des Etudiants en Sciences Economiques et Commerciales), UNC-Chapel Hill, October 30, 2008.
"Introduction: New Institutions of Theological Education.” Zaytuna Institute Minara Program, McKimmon Center, NC State University, Raleigh, NC, November 15, 2008.


Banu Gokariksel

Charles Kurzman
"Liberal and Modernist Movements in Islam," Muslim Organization of Students Actively Integrating Carolina (MOSAIC)/Muslim Students Association, UNC-CH, Chapel Hill, NC, October 8, 2008.

Yaron Shemer
Voices from Al-Sayed: April 2009: Screening of Voices from Al-Sayed with filmmaker Adomi Leshem in attendance.

Sarah Shields
I kept a weblog during the summer of 2008 while I was conducting a Burch Field Seminar in Turkey. This has been accessed by others interested in Turkey, Turkish History, and teaching active learning. http://teachingturkey.wordpress.com. I published an op ed on the Gaza operations, http://www.juancole.com/2009/01/shields-i-accuse-open-letter-to.html and

“Turkish History.” North Carolina State University Encore Center for Lifelong Learning, Raleigh, NC, October 2008.


“Britain and France in the Middle East.” Seminar on Colonialisms Compared: Empires across Space and Time, Program in the Humanities and Human Values, UNC-Chapel Hill, April 2009.


“Western Anchors of the Silk Road.” Seminar on the Silk Road: Cultural Pathway between East and West, Program in the Humanities and Human Values, UNC-Chapel Hill, September 2008.


“the Modern Middle East.” Historical Challenges and Future Opportunities: UNC Project for Historical Education, January 2009.


“History Matters: Thoughts on Today’s Middle East.” Watauga Club, Raleigh, NC, April 2009.

Omid Safi

"Iran beyond the Headlines,” talk at Colgate University, Hamilton, NY, October 16th, 2008.


Interview at NPR local station, State of Things, on contemporary Iran, December 4th, 2008.


Interview with Turkish TV station, March 18th, 2009.


Lecture on “Music and Dance in Islamic Mysticism,” in Nasrollah Pourjavady's Islamic Mysticism Class, GEC, UNC, April 16, 2009:

**Nadia Yaqub**

Organizer and moderator: Screening and post-screening discussion with filmmaker Buthina Khoury of the documentary *Maria's Grotto*, October, 2008.


**Canguzel Zulfikar**

Interpreter of Prof. Carl Ernst at his lecture on “Reading Strategies for Introducing the Qur'an as Literature in an American Public University.” Lecture at Istanbul University, Faculty of Divinity, Istanbul, Turkey, March 17, 2009.


**IV. Grants and Awards**

**Glaire Anderson**

American Council of Learned Societies Fellowship: Supports year of leave to finish writing book (The Munyas of Cordoba: suburban villas and the court elite in Umayyad al-Andalus).

**Carl Ernst**

Farabi International Award in the Humanities and Social Sciences: Ministry of Science, Research, and Technology, Tehran, Iran, December 27, 2008

American Academy of Arts and Sciences: elected Fellow, 2009


Banu Gokariksel and Sarah Shields
Andrew Mellon Foundation Sawyer Seminar: $148,000 Sawyer Seminar on “Diversity and Conformity in Muslim Societies” for the 2009-2010 academic year. This award includes funding for one postdoctoral and two dissertation fellowships and for three conferences.

Charles Kurzman

Omid Safi
2009 recipient of the Office of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs award for faculty members across the UNC campus.
MEMS grant to carry out research in Turkey during summer of 2009.

UNC Gillings Global School of Public Health, 2-year contract (2008-2010) to design environmental and water policy for United Arab Emirates.

V. Visiting Scholars

Dr. Tanvir Anjum, Department of History, Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad, Pakistan.

Dr. Amal Wagih Hamdy Mostafa, Department of Library and Information Science, Faculty of Arts, Cairo University, Egypt.

Dr. Recep Alpyagil, School of Divinity, Istanbul University, Turkey.

Dr. Nasrollah Pourjavady, Emeritus Professor of Philosophy at the School of Humanities and Literature in the University of Tehran, Iran.