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FIRST MUSLIM ACADEMIC CONFERENCE

EXPERIENCES AND CHALLENGES OF MUSLIMS IN
AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND

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PAPERS

EDUCATION

The value of the chaplain in enhancing the spiritual wellbeing of Muslims in the NZ education system - *Shahela Qureshi*

Cultural and religious perceptions of Muslim teachers working with students on the Autism Spectrum - *Kathleen McIntyre*

"I don't want them to know that I am Muslim." Enacted identities of Muslim youth in New Zealand - *Naashia Mohamed*

Breaking Free from Digital Distraction: Integrating Islamic Teachings and Psychological Insights to Address Entertainment Addiction - *Khalid Alef*

Navigating Challenges: Empowering Māori, Pasifika, and Muslim Learners through Prophetic Pedagogy in Aotearoa's Educational Landscape - *Abdelhamid Safa*

YOUTH

Halal Food Policies and their Impact on Ethnic Minority Communities: A Case Study of New Zealand's School Lunch Programme - *Rahmat Adepte Mustapha-Koiki*

Project Salaam: A community-based initiative for former refugee Muslim youth - *Jennifer Khan-Janif, Shemana Cassim, Naima Ali and Shireen Drew*

Parenting challenges of Muslims in New Zealand - *Sayed Shafee Mohamed Yoosuf*

Digital parenting and challenges of Muslims - *Hana Bouafif*

Navigating Belonging: Coping Strategies of Muslim Youth Against Discrimination in New Zealand - *Hussain Raissi*

ISLAMOPHOBIA & SOLIDARITY

Māori Muslim solidarity - *Hemopereki Simon*

A vision to end Islamophobia in the Media - *Khairiah Rahman*

Palestinian Solidarity: South Africa's Unique Position on the International Stage - *Hanlie Booysen*

The protective role of religious community-making in supporting psychological wellbeing amidst Islamophobia - *Usman Afzali*

Demographic and Personality Factors Associated with Islamophobia in New Zealand - *Jamila S Badis*

BELONGINGNESS

Muslim Experiences of Belonging in Aotearoa, New Zealand - *Anjum Rahman*

Reversion to Islam: Citizenship, Identity and Belonging in Post-Christchurch Aotearoa - *Ayca Arkilic and Noeleen Van de Lisdonk*

Dual Relationships: Boundary Issues for Interpreters in a Faith-Based Community - *S. M. Akramul Kabir*

Beyond Food: Exploring the Fluidity of Halal and Haram in the Narratives of Muslim Women in Aotearoa, New Zealand - *Hina Cheema*

Understanding community long-term recovery efforts and responses in the aftermath of March 15 terrorist attack - *Sara Salman*

Decades of Difference: Exploring the Experiences, Identity, and Integration of Muslim Immigrants in New Zealand - *Somia Tasneem and Meng-Jie Wang*

HEALTH & WELLBEING

South Asian Muslim Individual's Lived Experiences of Type 2 Diabetes Healthcare - "I just want someone to actually break it down for me" - Sohail Kashkari and Andrea LaMarre

Unlocking insights: How Muslims seek IVF guidance through WhatsApp and YouTube— and what this means for Southeast Asian migrants in Aotearoa New Zealand - Nelly Martin-Anatias

Examining Post-Traumatic Growth in the Muslim Individuals Following the March 15 Mosque Attacks - Fareeha Ali

Muslim Women from Refugee Background and their Experiences with Mental Health Services in New Zealand: Barriers and Enablers - Mareena Ilyas

Bridging the Gap: Culturally Responsive Disability Support for African Muslim Communities in Aotearoa New Zealand - Osman Hassan-Osman and Mustafa Farouk

MEDIA, NARRATIVES & RESEARCH

Understanding data collection dynamics: A qualitative exploration of research assistants' experiences in the Muslim diversity study in Aotearoa New Zealand - Farah Shawkat

Who reports on the reporters? A new body monitoring media misrepresentation of Muslims in New Zealand and elsewhere - Adam Brown

A Muslim from Malacca, Enrique aka "Pang Lima Awang" and later nicknamed as "Dato Laut Dalam" (lord of the deep sea) was the first man to circumnavigate the globe? - Wan Hashim

Measuring accurate prayer times for the Wellington region: A reflection of astronomical science in the service of Islam - Salman Ashraf

The resurgence of anti-Muslim public discourse in Aotearoa New Zealand - Zahra Emamzadeh and Donald Matheson



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PROGRAMME

08.30 - 09.30	Registration
09.30 - 09.50	Opening Address
09.50 - 10.20	Keynote Speaker: Dr. Ruqayya Sulaiman-Hill
10.20 - 10.30	Morning Tea

- Presenters and participants move to their respective streams (and rooms).
- Each presentation will be 15 minutes and at the end of all the presentations we will give 10 minutes for Q & A.

STREAMS ROOM 1 - Icon Room

10.35 - 12.00	STREAM 1: EDUCATION
12.15 - 13.05	Lunch Break & Dhuhur Prayer
13.05 - 14.45	STREAM 2: YOUTH
15.00 - 15.15	Afternoon Tea
15.15 - 16.45	STREAM 3: HEALTH AND WELLBEING

STREAMS ROOM 2 - Angus Room

10.35 - 12.00	STREAM 1: ISLAMOPHOBIA AND SOLIDARITY
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13.05 - 14.45	STREAM 2: BELONGINGNESS
15.00 - 15.15	Afternoon Tea
15.15 - 16.45	STREAM 3: MEDIA, NARRATIVES & RESEARCH

17:00 - 17:30 Networking and closing