

NORTHWESTERN CONNECTICUT COMMUNITY COLLEGE

COURSE SYLLABUS

Course Title: Islam in the Contemporary World

Course #: PHL 156

Course Description: This full semester course will examine the Islamic faith and the contemporary milieu of Islamic belief and practice. A general historical survey of the Islamic tradition will be undertaken to be able to clearly focus on Islam in our modern context and clarify the ways the Muslim world reckons with global culture, politics and social progress in the 21st century.

Pre-requisite/Co-requisite: Eligibility based on completion of English 101, or equivalent

Course Goals and Outcomes for PHIL 156 Islam in the Contemporary World:

- Students will be able to identify authentic religious beliefs, as such are evident particularly in Muslim faith, and to also analyze the ways such religious beliefs can impact conventional public and private life.
- Students will be able to appraise the depth and value of the historical tradition of Islam, and to differentiate the ways in which such traditional values shape contemporary belief in Islamic communities and characterize Islamic worldview.
- Students will be able to examine and measure the political and social relationships that have developed historically between the Islamic world and other nation-state powers, placing a special emphasis of how the Muslim faith interacts with Judeo-Christian worldview and operates as one of the three recognized major religious traditions in the West.
- Students will establish competence in understanding the internal relationships and conflicts that exist in contemporary Islamic communal life to the point that students can evaluate significant areas of contrast and similarity within Islamic thought and scholarship that underlie the contemporary situation of Muslim life, as such relates to various cultural and geographical contexts.

College Policies

Plagiarism: Plagiarism and Academic Dishonesty are not tolerated at Northwestern Connecticut Community College. Violators of this policy will be subject to sanctions ranging from failure of the assignment (receiving a zero), failing the course, being removed/expelled from the program and/or the College. Please refer to your "Student Handbook" under "Policy on Student Rights," the Section entitled "Student Discipline," or the College catalog for additional information.

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA): The College will make reasonable accommodations for persons with documented learning, physical, or psychiatric disabilities. Students should notify Dr. Christine Woodcock, the Counselor for Students with Disabilities. She is located at

Green Woods Hall, in the Center for Student Development. Her phone number is 860-738-6318 and her email is cwoodcock@nwcc.edu.

School Cancellations: If snowy or icy driving conditions cause the postponement or cancellation of classes, announcements will be made on local radio and television stations and posted on the College's website at www.nwcc.edu. Students may also call the College directly at **(860) 738-6464** to hear a recorded message concerning any inclement weather closings. Students are urged to exercise their own judgment if road conditions in their localities are hazardous.

Use of Electronic Devices: Some course content as presented in Blackboard Learn is not fully supported on mobile devices at this time. While mobile devices provide convenient access to check in and read information about your courses, they should not be used to perform work such as taking tests, quizzes, completing assignments, or submitting substantive discussion posts.

Sexual Assault and Intimate Partner Violence Resource Team: NCCC is committed to creating a community that is safe and supportive of people of all gender and sexual identities. This pertains to the entire campus community, whether on ground or virtual, students, faculty, or staff.

Sexual assault and intimate partner violence is an affront to our national conscience, and one we cannot ignore. It is our hope that no one within our campus community will become a victim of these crimes. However, if it occurs, NCCC has created the SART Team - Sexual Assault and Intimate Partner Violence Resource Team - to meet the victim's needs.

SART is a campus and community based team that is fully trained to provide trauma-informed compassionate service and referrals for comprehensive care. The team works in partnership with The Susan B. Anthony Project to extend services 24 hours a day, 7 days a week throughout the year.

The NCCC team members are:

Ruth Gonzalez, Ph.D.	860-738-6315	Green Woods Hall Room 207
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Robin Orlomski	860-738-6416	Business Office Room 201
Patricia Bouffard, Ex-Officio	860-738-6319	Founders Hall Room 103
Savannah Schmitt		Student Representative

At NCCC we care about our students, staff and faculty and their well-being. It is our intention to facilitate the resources needed to help achieve both physical and emotional health.