

[Webinar Series: Critical Muslim Studies](#)

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On **Friday, January 29, 2021** at **4:00pm Eastern Time**, the Association for Asian Studies will hold the first in a series of AAS Digital Dialogues exploring topics in **Critical Muslim Studies**. Please see below for the session abstract and [visit the AAS website to register for the event](#). The webinar will be recorded, and a video & transcript will be posted at the AAS website for anyone not able to attend the live session.

Critical Muslim Studies (Part I)

This is the first of several conversations on “Critical Muslim Studies” that center engaging with “Muslim” as an object and subject of knowledge in these times of increased ethno-nationalist populism, neo-colonial governmentality, and rising Islamophobia. Presenters will offer some takeaway points from their research to illuminate the dialogic, interconnected, and informed discourses and practices to understand the “Muslim” across regional, spatial, theoretical, and disciplinary boundaries. As a dialogue with active engagement with the virtual audience, by bringing in scholars whose work speaks through Asian Studies, Asian American Studies, and Arab American Studies, we can discuss a wider conceptualization of “Muslim” as embodiment, practice, critique, and transnationalism that can be important interventions in our academic associations.

Session speakers are: **Adam Ehsan Ali** (University of Toronto), **Hareem Khan** (California State University, San Bernardino), and **Sanober Umar** (York University). This series is organized by **Stan Thangaraj** (City College of New York).

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