DEPARTMENT OF AMERICAN CULTURE
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Islamophobia Working Group
September 15, 2017, 4-5:30pm
3512 Haven Hall

MISSION
Given the recent increase in anti-Arab and anti-Muslim sentiment internationally, the purpose of this group of faculty, staff, and students is to strategize on how to create a safe and inclusive campus environment for Arab, Muslim, and MENA students and those who are impacted by anti-Arab and anti-Muslim sentiments.

AGENDA

I. Introductions

II. Updates

A. NCID Grant (Ryan Gillcrist and Ibtihal Makki are going to MESA to present on Al-Kitaab) (Evelyn Alsultany)
B. MOVE conference (our proposal was not accepted, seeking facilitators)
C. Lots of pertinent events this year: AMAS, CMENAS, Islamic Studies, Conflict and Peace Initiative, etc.
D. Other updates? (Anti-Fascist Network, DACA, Statement drafted by faculty concerned about hate speech)

III. Topics for discussion

A. Update on Social Media Site and Suggestions from the Group for Expanded Social Media Presence (Ashley Bates and Haleemah Aqel)
B. MENA Box Issue (Jad Elharake, Abby Chien, Evelyn Alsultany)
C. Prayer Spaces (Ali Aboubih)
D. Al-Kitaab (Ryan Gillcrist)
E. Other topics?