

Fashioning Canadian Muslim identity

Over the past decade, with the new realities of a globalized world and the current War on Terror, the importance of examining issues of identity and belonging of Muslims living in the West has grown exponentially. For this reason, further research on issues regarding the Muslim community and its relationships with multiculturalism, policy and

citizenship are imperative. Although much work has been done in the area of multicultural studies, the relationship between faith and multiculturalism has not been developed in a real and measured capacity. Questions such as, 'What does it mean to be a Canadian Muslim?' have remained largely unanswered. Such questions are vital in

understanding Muslims and the Muslim community, one of the largest religious communities not only in Canada, but the world. Doing such a study would contribute to closing the gap in research in the field of Sociology and social policy as well as providing useful and practical insight that can inform policy makers, media and academics alike.



Face-off

Confront issues of Islam being at odds with the 'West' going beyond conventional space/symbols of analysis i.e. mosque, hijab, terrorism

Uncover

Discuss the emerging realities facing Canadian Muslims post-9/11



Balancing Out

What is Canada doing right?
What makes it different?
Where are the gaps & cracks in Canadian Multiculturalism?

The kids are alright?

Question the notion of radicalization of Muslim youth



Make it work

What does it mean to be a Canadian Muslim?
Where are the spaces & places of encounter?