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This lecture series will offer a global outlook on the diversity of the religious and cultural traditions of Islam at this time of political and social change.

March 1
The Essentials of Islam, Past and Present
Jamal Elias, Term Professor and Chair, Religious Studies Department, University of Pennsylvania, will open the series and set the stage for our exploration of Islam in the present day world. He will begin with a presentation of the concepts and practices essential to Islam today and their sources.

March 8
Islam in Modern Asia: Cosmopolitan, Not Western: Modern, Not Secular
Haroon Moghul, Fellow at the Institute for Social Policy and Understanding and PhD candidate, Columbia University, will consider how powerful, overlapping global forces have impacted the world’s largest Muslim communities and produced Muslim discourses that exist independently of common binaries: cosmopolitan but not western and often modern but not secular.

March 22
Islam and Women: Ten Things Worth Knowing
Carolyn Baugh, received both a master’s degree and a doctorate from the University of Pennsylvania in Arabic and Islamic Studies. She currently works at Bryn Mawr College where she is research assistant to President McAuliffe, a Qur’anic scholar. Her discussion seeks to add depth to the discourse on Islam and Muslim women by questioning common assumptions while exploring key Qur’anic concepts and Islamic “her-story.”

April 5
Our Andalusia: Islam in the American Mix
Ann Norton, Professor of Political Science, University of Pennsylvania, will discuss the long history and diverse cultures and communities of Islam in the U.S. today.

April 12
The Adventure of Political Islam in Turkey: A Nonviolent Takeover?
Mehmet Darakcioglu, PhD, Associate Director, University of Pennsylvania Middle East Studies Center, will discuss the story of Islam and secularism in Turkey and the Turkish nation today.

The CCLR is proud to partner with Penn Museum’s International Classroom Program and The American Research Institute in Turkey (ARIT) and the Penn Middle East Center in offering this program.

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