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The Center for African Studies



Islam in Africa Working Group

Fall 2014 Program

Tuesdays @ 11:45 – 12:45 in 471 Grinter Hall

September 2

Ibrahim Yahaya Ibrahim, University of Florida

Islam and Islamic Insurgency in the Sahel: The Current Debates

October 10

Anne Bang, University of Bergen, Norway

Sufi Networks and Islamic Reform in East Africa, c. 1880-1940

November 18

Dereje Feyissa, International Law & Policy Institute, Addis Ababa

The Terms of the Sufi-Salafi Debate in the Ethiopian Context

December 9

Rosa De Jorio, University of North Florida

Reconstructing/Preserving Islamic Cultural Heritage Sites in Mali after the Crisis

Research on and teaching of Islam in Africa is an important part of the Center for African Studies' activities. The purpose of the Islam in Africa Working Group (IAWG) is to generate interest and to facilitate enhanced understanding of Islam in African contexts. IAWG pays attention to the inherent complexity of Islam in Africa; its multifaceted historical trajectories, its geographical differences, its ideological variations, and contemporary dynamics. Through regular meetings, conferences, and other arrangements – IAWG is an important meeting-place for faculty and students interested in Islam in Africa, and aims to be a venue for sharing ideas and findings, for discussions and generating ideas, as well as for encouraging further research.

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