Journal of Islamic Faith and Practice
Call for Papers: The Family in the American Muslim Context

The *Journal of Islamic Faith and Practice* is an annual double-blind peer-reviewed online academic and interdisciplinary journal published by Indiana University and sponsored by the Islamic Seminary Foundation. The *Journal* invites colleagues to submit articles for publication that combine intellectual rigor with community engagement. The *Journal* aims to provide a platform for scholars, students, and researchers to exchange their latest findings and to foster dialogue among them and community leaders regarding the Islamic faith and its practice in America. To this end, successful proposals will reflect theoretical and methodological sophistication and engagement with existing scholarship, while also being accessible to non-specialists.

The fifth edition of the *Journal* will discuss and analyze **The Family in the American Muslim Context**. Its aim is to synthesize and advance both theoretical and empirical research on this topic within education, sociology, political science, healthcare, psychology, ecology, social service, the arts, and other relevant disciplines. Colleagues interested in publishing a conference summary and book reviews are also welcomed.

The timeline for peer review and publication is approximately 5 to 6 months.

This issue will include the following**:**

- Theoretical papers: How do we examine and analyze American Muslim contributions in terms of developing methodologies and frameworks to approach the Qur'an, Sunna, and Islamic traditions as they relate to the family?

- Historical studies: How do we read and examine historical events, individuals, and organizations that influence the American Muslim community's understanding of the family?

- American Islamic praxis papers: How do we examine the new practices, traditions, and cultures developing within the American Muslim community as they relate to the family?

- Case studies, qualitative interviews, and oral histories of key individuals or organizations: How do we examine and evaluate the conduct of American Muslims' religious leadership, including the role of scholars,

imams, and chaplains, with respect to responding to the internal and external challenges facing families?

Possible Topics

Papers should focus on how the family relates to key contemporary issues facing American Muslims, such as those listed below. We are also open to other topics that fit within the primary theme of this volume.

- Changing Family Structures and Dynamics in the American Muslim Community
- Parenting from an Islamic Perspective
- Instilling Family Values and Responsibility in Children
- Developing Children's Values through Sports
- Nurturing Care and Compassion in the Family
- Adapting to the Changing Nature of Youth Challenges
- Family, Youth, Social Media, and the Internet
- The Impact of the Family on Education
- Islamic Schools, Public Schools, and the Role of Family
- Family and Gender Issues
- Family and Mental Health
- Addressing the Root Causes of Family Challenges
- Building Family Stability in the American Muslim Community
- The Role of the Masjid, Organizations, and Community in Supporting Families
- The Impact of Public Policy on the Family

Guidelines for Authors

Journal of Islamic Faith and Practice Invites:
- Social science- and humanities-based research papers reflecting on all aspects related to the Islamic faith and its practice in America.
- Abstracts of dissertations, theses, and research findings related to the American Muslim community: 700-1,000 words.
- Shorter reflection pieces by activists, imams, and chaplains: 2,000-3,000 words.

Assembly of the Manuscript: Standard research papers should be 7,000-10,000 words in length or longer, if approved by the editor. The article should be in Microsoft Word format. All submissions must conform to the *Journal* guidelines: original, unpublished research; double-spaced and single-sided; and

in the Chicago Style. The manuscript must contain the following parts: Title, an abstract, 3-5 keywords, text, references, footnotes, tables, figures, and appendices. Not all papers will have all elements. However, if they do, this is the order in which they should be arranged.

Submission of the Manuscript:
- Send a brief note of intent to contribute noting the type, scope, and focus of your submission by December 15, 2022. You will receive a note of acceptance/non-acceptance by mid-January 2023.
- Send the completed paper by June 1, 2023, as an attachment, along with a 250-word abstract, 3-5 keywords, and a 150-word author bio.
- Decision Date after First Review: July 15, 2023
- Submission Deadline of Revised Manuscript: August 1, 2023
- Publication Date: September 2023

Submissions are accepted via e-mail: journal@islamicseminary.org

The authors of accepted contributions will be invited to present their papers to the *Journal of Islamic Faith and Practice* track at the Islamic Seminary Foundation's annual Shura at Yale University in 2024.

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