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EDUCATION

PhD, Arab and Islamic
Studies
University of Exeter
Exeter, UK
2016

MA, Islamic Studies
The Islamic College with
Middlesex University
London, UK
2009

MA, Teaching
University of California,
Irvine
2008

BA, Near Eastern
Languages and
Cultures
University of California,
Los Angeles
2000

LANGUAGES

Arabic
Farsi
Latin

PROFILE

Amina Inloes is a lecturer and researcher in Islamic Studies.

RECENT EXPERIENCE

LECTURER

The Islamic College, London, UK | 2009 – Present
Teaching Islamic Studies at the graduate and undergraduate levels

TRANSLATOR AND EDITOR

Tawheed Institute, Sydney, Australia | 2012 – 2024
Translating, copy-editing, proofreading, and collating the translation
of *al-Mizan fi Tafsir al-Qur'an* by Sayyid Muhammad Husayn
Tabataba'i (27 volumes)

BOOK REVIEWS EDITOR AND COPY-EDITOR

Journal of the Contemporary Study of Islam | 2020 – 2021

MANAGING EDITOR

Journal of Shi'a Islamic Studies | 2012 – 2016

PUBLICATIONS

ARTICLES

"The Golem, the Jinni, and GPT: Artificial Intelligence and Islamic Occultism", in *Theology and Science*, in *Theology and Science* (2024)
<<https://doi.org/10.1080/14746700.2024.2436785>>.

"Artificial Intelligence and Islamic Theology: An Interview with ChatGPT", in *Proceedings of the Ninth Annual International Conference on Shi'i Studies* (London: ICAS Press, 2024), pp. 166-210.

"Ancient Feminine Archetypes in Shi'i Islam", in *Religions*, vol. 15, no. 149 (2024)
<<https://doi.org/10.3390/rel15020149>>.

"Other 'Adams': Twelver Shi'ism and Human Evolution", in *Theology and Science* (2023)
<<https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/14746700.2023.2255953>>.

"Joseph Campbell, Shi'ism, and the Karbala Narrative", in *British Journal of Middle Eastern Studies* (2022) <<https://doi.org/10.1080/13530194.2022.2153799>>.

Zain Al Hussain Moloobhoy and Amina Inloes, "Marja 'iyyah in the Digital Era: Renegotiating the relationship between *marja* ' and *muqallid* in the era of the democratization of knowledge", in *Journal of the Contemporary Study of Islam*, vol. 2, no. 1 (2021), pp. 24–50.

"Muhammad Abd al-Rahman (Phillip) Barker: Bridging Cultural Divides through Fantasy/Science-Fiction Role-Playing Games and Fictional Religion", in *The Muslim World*, vol. 108 (2018).

"A Muslim Reflection on *Dangerous Games: What the Moral Panic over Role-Playing Games Says about Play, Religion, and Imagined Worlds*", in *The American Journal of Islamic Social Sciences*, vol. 33, no. 3 (2016), pp. 104-115.

"Was Imam 'Ali a Misogynist?: The Portrayal of Women in *Nahj al-Balaghah* and *Kitab Sulaym ibn Qays*", in *Journal of Shi'a Islamic Studies*, vol. 8, no. 2 (2015), pp. 325-365.

"Racial 'Othering' in Shi'i Sacred History: Jawn ibn Huwayy 'the African Slave', and the Ethnicities of the Twelve Imams", in *Journal of Shi'a Islamic Studies*, vol. 7, no. 2 (2014), pp. 411-439.

A. Inloes and L. Takim, "Conversion to Twelver Shi'ism among American and Canadian women", in *Studies in Religion*, vol. 43, no. 1 (2014).

"The Queen of Sheba in Shi'a Hadith", in *Journal of Shi'a Islamic Studies*, vol. 5, no. 4 (2012).

"Mukhtar al-Thaqafi: Character versus Controversy" in *Journal of Shi'a Islamic Studies*, vol. 2, no. 2 (2009), pp. 181-193.

BOOKS AND CHAPTERS

"A Luminous Intellect: The Scholarly Legacy of Hamid Algar (1940–)", in *The Luminous Intellect: Essays on Sufism, Literature, History, and Politics in the Shi'i and Sunni World in Honor of Hamid Algar* (Brill, forthcoming).

"Occult Curios in Twelver Shi'i Hadith", in *The Luminous Intellect: Essays on Sufism, Literature, History, and Politics in the Shi'i and Sunni World in Honor of Hamid Algar* (Brill, forthcoming).

"The Symbolism of the Hand", "On Fāṭima al-Zahrā", and "The Hand Symbol in Shiism", in Eva-Maria von Kemnitz, *The Hand of Fatima: The Khamsa in the Arab-Islamic World*, edited, reviewed, and finalized by Amina Inloes (Leiden: Brill, 2022).

"Shiism and Islamic Reform", in *The Oxford Handbook of Islam and Reform* (Oxford University Press, forthcoming).

"How Did Eve Get Married? Two Twelver Shi'i Ḥadīth Reports", in *Islamic Interpretive Tradition and Gender Justice*, ed. Y. Amin and N. Reda (McGill-Queen's University Press, 2020).

Women in Shi'ism: Ancient Stories, Modern Ideologies (Gorgias Press, 2019).

"Khadijah bint Khuwaylid", in *The Islamic World: An Encyclopedia of History, Culture and Society*, ed. Gordon Newby and James Ciment (Armonk, NY: Sharpe, 2017).

BOOK REVIEWS

Islam, Science Fiction and Extraterrestrial Life: The Culture of Astrobiology in the Muslim World by Jörg Matthias Determann, in *Journal of the Contemporary Study of Islam*, vol. 5, no. 1 (2025), pp. 195-199.

Islam and Evolution: Al-Ghazālī and the Modern Evolutionary Paradigm by Shoaib Ahmed Malik, in *Journal of Interdisciplinary Qur'anic Studies* (2023).

Introduction to the Sciences of the Qur'an, Volume I, by Muhammad Hadi Ma'rifat, trans. Salim Rossier and Mansoor Limba, abridged and introduced by Mohammad Saeed Bahmanpour, in *Journal of Interdisciplinary Qur'anic Studies*, vol. 1, no. 2 (2023), pp. 207-210.

The Words of the Imams: Al-Shaykh al-Ṣadūq and the Development of Twelver Shī'ī Hadith Literature by George Warner, in *Journal of Shi'a Islamic Studies*, vol. 14, no. 3-4 (Summer-Autumn 2021), pp. 215-218.

Stereotyping Religion: Comparing Clichés, ed. Brad Stoddard and Craig Martin, in *Journal of the Contemporary Study of Islam*, vol. 1, no. 1 (2020).

Magic in Islam by Michael Muhammad Knight, in *American Journal of Islamic Social Sciences*, vol. 32, no. 4 (2016).

Female Personalities in the Qur'an and Sunna by Rawand Osman, in *American Journal of Islamic Social Sciences*, vol. 32, no. 4 (2015), pp. 100-104.

Teaching Arabs, Writing Self: Memoirs of an Arab-American Woman by Evelyn Shakir, in *American Journal of Islamic Social Sciences*, vol. 32, no. 2 (2015), pp. 126-129.

The 'Alids: The First Family of Islam, 750-1200 by Teresa Bernheimer, in *American Journal of Islamic Social Sciences*, vol. 31, no. 3 (2014), pp. 119-122.

Shi'ism: A Religion of Protest by Hamid Dabashi, in *Journal of Shi'a Islamic Studies*, vol. 6, no. 3 (2013), pp. 347-354.

The Shi'a Revival by Vali Nasr in *Journal of Shi'a Islamic Studies*, vol. 1, no. 4 (2008), pp. 114-117.

TRANSLATIONS, ANNOTATIONS, ADAPTATIONS, AND EDITED WORKS

Amina Inloes and Alan Godlas (eds.), *The Luminous Intellect: Essays on Sufism, Literature, History, and Politics in the Shi'i and Sunni World in Honor of Hamid Algar* (Brill, forthcoming).

Hamid Algar, *Essays on Shi'ism and Iran*, ed. Amina Inloes (London: ICAS Press, 2021).

'Allamah As-Sayyid Muhammad Husayn At-Tabataba'i, *Al-Mizan: An Exegesis of the Qur'an*, vol. 30, trans. Amina Inloes and Tawus Raja (Tawheed Institute, 2019).

John Davenport, *An Apology for Mohammed and the Qur'an*, ed. and introduced by Amina Inloes (London: Islamic Centre of England, 2013).

Mulla Muhsin Fayd Kashani, *Spiritual Mysteries and Ethical Secrets: A Translation of al-Haqqa'iq fi Makarim al-Akhlaq*, trans. Amina Inloes, Nazmina Virjee, and Muhammad Tajri (London: ICAS Press, 2012).

Adaptation into English of the historical fiction novel *The Idols Will Fall: The Story of the Seven Sleepers of the Cave* by M. S. Bahmanpour (London: ICAS Press, 2009).

SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND TALKS

"Extraterrestrial Life and Human Superiority in Shi'i Hadith "

British Association for Islamic Studies | Cambridge, UK | 2025

"A (Muslim) History of the Internet"

Faith and the Future | Toronto, Canada | 2025

"Rethinking Copyright in the Age of ChatGPT"

Artificial Intelligence in Islamic Studies | London, UK | 2025

"Eclipses in Hadith"

British Association for Islamic Studies | Leeds, UK | 2024

"Are Premodern 'Occult Technologies' and Artificial Intelligence Conceptualized to Work Similarly?"

59th International Congress on Medieval Studies | West Michigan University, USA | 2024

“Artificial Intelligence and Twelver Shi‘i Theology: The End of Anthropocentrism?”

Al-Mahdi Institute | Birmingham, UK | 2023

“Astrology in Twelver Shi‘i Hadith”

British Association for Islamic Studies | London, UK | 2023

“Artificial Intelligence and Islamic Theology: An Interview with ChatGPT”

Eighth Annual Conference on Shi‘i Studies | London, UK | 2023

“Technology as Prayer? A Medieval Islamic Approach to the Question of Whether Artificial Intelligence and Digital Experiences Constitute Prayer”

58th International Congress on Medieval Studies | West Michigan University, USA | 2023

“Can a machine perform *ijtihād*? Machine intellect and ‘*aq*l according to *al-Kāfi*”

Intellect and Revelation | Dar es Salaam, Tanzania | 2023

“Illicit lettrism? A scriptural-historical account of the differences between Sunni and Shi‘i contemporary attitudes towards talismans”

Middle East Studies Association | Denver, Colorado | 2022

“The Hand of Fāṭima (*khamṣa*/*ḥamsa*) in Shi‘i Islam”

Magic (Un)Disciplined | University of South Carolina | 2022

“Female Muslim Religious Authorities”

Authority in the Globalised Muslim World | University of Edinburgh, Scotland | 2020

“How did Eve get married? Two Twelver Shi‘i narrations”

The Research Conference in Theology and Religion | University of Helsinki, Finland | 2020

“The Karbala Narrative and Joseph Campbell’s Monomyth”

British Association for Arab and Islamic Studies | Nottingham, UK | 2019

“Is it possible to write in an insider voice in Islamic Studies and maintain academic credibility?”

Islamic Studies in the UK: Challenges, Opportunities, and Emerging Agendas | SOAS
University of London, UK | 2018

“The Virgin Mary in Shi'i Hadith and the Struggle over the Divine Feminine”

British Association for Arab and Islamic Studies | University of Chester, UK | 2016

“Women, Authority and Leadership in Christianity and Islam”

Challenges Faced by Women in Islamic Studies | University of Roehampton, UK | 2012

“Women in Shi'i Hadith”

University of Johannesburg, South Africa | June 2011