

Spring 2023

Lecture Series

Islam in Africa Initiative

Critical Perspectives on the Development and Dynamics of Islam in Africa

Swartz Hall 118 Garvin Room

March 3

(11.00 AM-1.00 PM)

Umar Tahir, Columbia University,
'Rediscovering 18th Century Knowledge Tradition:
al-Kashnāwī's (d.1742) Intellectual Networks in Bilād
al-Sudān and Hijāz.'

March 10

(11.00 AM-1.00 PM)

Steve Howard, Ohio State University:
'Sudan's Republican Brotherhood: On the Path of
the Prophet in Troubled Times.'

March 24

(11.00 AM-1.00 PM)

Abdulatif Finch, Harvard University,
'Flooding Over and Beyond: Normative Sufism and
the Supra-Onto-Epistemic Paradigm Shift of Sheikh
Ibrahim Niasse's Cataclysm (Fayda).'

March 31

(11.00 AM-1.00 PM)

Cheikh Anta Mbacke Babou, University
of Pennsylvania, 'The Muridiyya on the Move.
Migration and Place Making.'

April 7

(11.00 AM-1.00 PM)

Caitlyn Bolton, Boston College, 'The Lives
and Afterlives of Donor Funds: "Sustainability" as
Neoliberal Development or Islamic Interdependence
in Zanzibar, Tanzania.'

April 14

(11.00 AM-1.00 PM)

Ayodeji Ogunnaike, Bowdoin College
'Bilad Brazil The Importance of West African
Scholars in Brazilian Islamic Education and Practice
in Historic and Contemporary Perspective.'

April 21

(11.00 AM-1.00 PM)

Zekeria Salem, Northwestern University:
'Global Shinqī Mauritania's Islamic Knowledge
Tradition and the Making of Transnational Religious
Authority (Nineteenth to Twenty-First Century).'



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