

## UMBC UGC New Course Request: HIST 379

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### COURSE INFORMATION:

Course Number(s)	HIST 379
Formal Title	“Do Muslim Women Need Saving?” – Women and Gender in Islam
Transcript Title (≤30c)	Women and Gender in Islam
Recommended Course Preparation	Any 100-level social science course, any 100-level humanities course.
Prerequisite <b>NOTE:</b> Unless otherwise indicated, a prerequisite is assumed to be passed with a “D” or better.	NONE
# of Credits Must adhere to the <a href="#">UMBC Credit Hour Policy</a>	3
Repeatable for additional credit?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Max. Total Credits	3 This should be equal to the number of credits for courses that cannot be repeated for credit. For courses that may be repeated for credit, enter the maximum total number of credits a student can receive from this course. E.g., enter 6 credits for a 3 credit course that may be taken a second time for credit, but not for a third time. Please note that this does NOT refer to how many times a class may be retaken for a higher grade.
Grading Method(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reg (A-F) <input type="checkbox"/> Audit <input type="checkbox"/> Pass-Fail

### PROPOSED CATALOG DESCRIPTION (Approximately 75 words in length. Please use full sentences.):

This course will introduce students to the study of Islam and gender, explore the evolution of scholarship that uses gender as a category of analysis, and uses case studies to bring theories into everyday lived experiences in Muslim societies. Topics will cover: new interpretations from feminist scholars over the Quran and early Islam, questions of veiling, seclusion, and sexuality in Muslim empires, the status of women in debates over colonialism and nationalism, gender and revolution, masculinities, and Islamism.

### RATIONALE FOR NEW COURSE:

The History Department recently hired Prof. Zaidi as a new tenure-track professor with expertise in Modern Islamic and gender history. Her hire was part of the department’s globalization of the History curriculum. The department currently has an expertise in gender history but we only offer courses in U.S., European, and Asian Women’s history. This course will allow us to extend our teaching of gender to cover the Middle East, Southwest Asia, and Muslim women in particular. This will allow for more comparative and global coverage of the history of women.

### ATTACH COURSE SYLLABUS (mandatory):