# Journal of Islamic Faith and Practice Call for Papers: Islamic Ethics in the American 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 from different areas and fields. One of the key aims of the Journal is to foster dialogue between academics, researchers, community leaders, and students regarding Islamic faith and how it is practiced 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.

This second edition of the *Journal of Islamic Faith and Practice* will discuss and analyze **Islamic Ethics** in the American Context. The aim of this volume is to synthesize and advance both theoretical and empirical research about Islamic ethics within various disciplines including education, sociology, political science, healthcare, psychology, bioethics, ecology, social service, the arts and other relevant areas. Colleagues interested in publishing the proceedings of a conference and book reviews are also welcomed.

The *Journal* is a refereed periodical that is published once a year in March. The timeline for peer review and publication is in the range of 5-6 months.

This second edition, in focusing on Islamic Ethics in the American Context include the following:

- Theoretical papers: How do we examine and analyze the American Muslim ethical contributions in terms of the development of methodologies in approaching the Qur'ān, Sunna and Islamic traditions?
- Historical studies: How do we read and examine historical events, persons, and organizations that have an effect on Muslim communities' ethical worldview in America and beyond?
- American Islamic praxis papers: How do we examine the new practices, traditions and cultures that are developing within the American Muslim community as they relate to Islamic ethics?
- Case studies, qualitative interviews, and oral histories of key people or organizations: How do we examine and evaluate the conduct of American Muslims' religious leadership including the role of scholars, imams, chaplains' contributions with respect to responding to internal and external challenges?

## **Possible Topics**

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

- Islamic Ethics and Familial Relations
- Islamic Ethics in the Workplace
- Islamic Ethics and Issues Related to Economics, Business, Banking, and Financial Investment
- Islamic Ethics and Social Responsibility
- Islamic Ethics: Gender and Sexuality
- Islamic Ethics and the Environment
- Islamic Ethics and the Law
- Islamic Ethics and Human Rights
- Islamic Ethics and Politics
- Medical and Bio Ethics from an Islamic Perspective

#### **Guidelines for Authors**

## The Journal of Islamic Faith and Practice Invites:

- Social sciences and humanities-based research papers reflecting on all aspects related to Islamic faith and its practice in America.
- Abstracts of dissertations, thesis, and research findings related to the American Muslim community of 700-1000 words.
- Shorter reflection pieces of 2,000-3,000 words by activists, imams, chaplains.

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 conform to the Chicago Style. A manuscript contains many parts: Title of the paper with an abstract and 3-5 keywords, text of the paper, references, footnotes, tables, figures, and appendices. Not all papers have all elements. However, if they do, this is the order in which they should be arranged.

#### Submission of Manuscript:

- Send a brief note of intent to contribute noting the type, scope, and focus of what you wish to be included in the *Journal* by April 30, 2018. You will receive a note of acceptance / non-acceptance by the end of May.
- Send the completed paper by September 15, 2018 as an attachment, along with a 250-word abstract and a short bio
- Decision Date: May 30, 2018
- Submission Deadline: September 15, 2018
- Publication Date: March 2019

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

The successful proposals 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 March 2019.

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