The Lak & Li Lecture Series in Religious Studies presents Dr. Omid Safi, Duke University
"American Muslims: American Dream and Empire’s Nightmare"

Free and open to the public  Tuesday May 2, 2017 at 7:00pm, MIKC 124 UNR

Omid Safi is a leading Muslim public intellectual. He is the Director of the Duke Islamic Studies Center, and specializes in contemporary Islamic thought and Islamic spirituality. He is an award-winning teacher and speaker, and is committed to the intersection of love and justice. He was recently invited by the family of Dr. Martin Luther King to speak from Ebenezer Church in Atlanta during the 49th annual commemoration for Dr. King.

He is the editor of the volume Progressive Muslims: On Justice, Gender, and Pluralism, which inaugurated a new understanding of Islam which is rooted in social justice, gender equality, and religious/ethnic pluralism. Other works include Politics of Knowledge in Premodern Islam, the award winning biography of the Prophet Muhammad Memories of Muhammad, and the Cambridge Companion to American Islam.

Omid has been among the most frequently sought speakers on Islam in popular media, appearing frequently in the New York Times, Newsweek, Washington Post, PBS, NPR, NBC, BBC, CNN, and international media. He regularly blogs at On Being (https://onbeing.org/author/omid-safi/).

Also: “Being a Public Scholar,” 3 pm, May 3, Leonard Reading Room, MIKC

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