Two upcoming events at UCL on

MUSLIM RESPONSES TO WESTERNIZATION

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You are welcome to attend one or both events.

**THE PHILOSOPHER OF ISLAM**

**Lecture by Faisal Devji**

Day & Time: 7th December 2017, 6 to 8pm,
Location: Institute of Advanced Studies Common Ground, Ground Floor, South Wing, Wilkins Building UCL

Possibly the most important Muslim thinker of the 20th century, the Indian poet and philosopher Mohammad Iqbal continues to exercise a significant influence globally. Like many anti-colonial thinkers, he was a critic of the West, but in a productive way that learnt from both its successes and failures. An important part of Iqbal's criticism had to do with the idea of secularism and in particular the separation of church and state. Rather than simply rejecting such distinctions, Iqbal subjected them to examination and proposed ways of ensuring that politics remained a site of freedom distinct from religion.

Speaker: *Faisal Devji*, Reader in Indian History & Fellow of St Antony’s College, University of Oxford. Respondent: *Hugh N. Kennedy*, Professor of Arabic at the School of Oriental and African Studies.

Please find further details and access to registration [here](#).

**PANEL DISCUSSION ON NON-ISLAMIC SOCIETIES**

Day & Time: Friday 8th December 2017, 5pm-7pm,
Location: Institute of Advanced Studies Common Ground, Ground Floor, South Wing, Wilkins Building UCL
- **Claire Dwyer** (Migration Research Unit, Geography, UCL) on how issues of ‘integration’ are contested and constructed by British Muslims drawing on research on state-funded Muslim schools and university Islamic Societies.

- **Myriam Hunter-Henin** (Faculty of Laws, UCL) on recent debates over how the Fundamentally British Values discourse shapes Muslim identities.

- **Alison Scott-Baumann** (Dept. of Religions & Philosophies, School of Oriental and African Studies) on impacts of the ‘free speech’ debate for Muslims on campus and related positionality issues for the non-Muslim researcher (Professor of Society and Belief, Dept. of Religions and Philosophies, SOAS).

- Respondent **Faisal Devji** (Reader in Indian History & Fellow of St Antony’s College, University of Oxford).

Tea or coffee will be available from 4.45pm. All are welcome.
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