

# Ali Noori

Curriculum Vitae

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## Education

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Ph.D.	Religious Studies, <i>University of Pennsylvania</i> Dissertation: "Pious Praise Poetry: Emotional Piety and the Making of the Medieval Islamic Subject"	Spring 2023
A.M.	Religious Studies, <i>University of Pennsylvania</i>	2022
A.M.	Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations, <i>University of Pennsylvania</i> Arabic and Islamic Studies. Concentration: Arabic Literary History	2020
B.A.	Philosophy and Near Eastern Intellectual History ( <i>magna cum laude</i> ) <i>City University of New York Baccalaureate for Unique and Interdisciplinary Studies</i> Thesis: "Ibn Sīnā's Adaptation of Aristotle's Active Intellect: Paving the Way for Philosophical Sufism"	2017
	Intensive Advanced Arabic, <i>Qalam wa Lawh Center (Rabat, Morocco)</i>	2017
	Cours de Civilisation Française de la Sorbonne, <i>Université Paris-Sorbonne</i>	2016
	Étudiant d'Échange, <i>Université Paris-Sorbonne</i>	2015

## Teaching Experience

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<b>Adjunct Lecturer</b>	<i>Brooklyn College, City University of New York (CUNY)</i>	
HIST3 317/RELG 3006: The Shaping of the Islamic World: from Origins to Modernity		2022
HIST3 317/RELG 3006: The Shaping of the Islamic World: from Origins to Modernity		2021
<b>Instructor of Record</b>	<i>University of Pennsylvania</i>	
RELS 143: Introduction to Islam		2021
<b>Teaching Assistant</b>	<i>University of Pennsylvania</i>	
RELS 225: Satan; Prof. Reyhan Durmaz		2020
RELS 002: Religions of the West; Prof. Reyhan Durmaz		2019
NELC 437: Islamic Intellectual History; Prof. Joseph E. Lowry		2019
RELS 146: Islam in the Modern World; Prof. Jamal J. Elias		2018

## Languages

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Classical Arabic	<i>Advanced Reading</i>
French	<i>Advanced Reading, Intermediate Speaking</i>
German	<i>Reading Only</i>
Persian	<i>Educated Native Fluency</i>
Ottoman Turkish	<i>Intermediate Reading</i>

## Fellowships, Honors, and Awards

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Grad. Fellowship for Inclusive and Equitable Teaching, <i>Center for Teaching and Learning, Penn</i>	2021-22
Boardman Fellowship <i>Department of Religious Studies, Penn</i>	2020-21
Janet Lee Stevens Award for Arabic and Islamic Studies <i>Middle East Center, Penn</i>	2020, 21
Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (FLAS) in Turkish <i>Middle East Center, Penn</i>	2019-20
Pre-doctoral Dissertation Research Travel Fellowship <i>American Institute of Iranian Studies (AIrS)</i>	2019
Geo L. Harrison Graduate Fellowship <i>School of Arts and Sciences, Penn</i>	2018-19
Benjamin Franklin Fellowship <i>School of Arts and Sciences, Penn</i>	2017-22
Pipeline Pre-Doctoral Fellowship <i>CUNY Graduate Center</i>	2015-16
Fellowship for students seeking careers in advanced research and teaching <i>CUNY City College</i>	2014-16
Thomas W. Smith Academic Fellowship <i>CUNY Baccalaureate Program</i>	2015-16
Barbra Sproul Award for Excellence in Religious Studies <i>CUNY Baccalaureate Program</i>	2016
Summer Research Travel Award <i>CUNY City College Fellowship</i>	2016

## Select Conference Presentations, Invited Talks, and Workshops

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"Poetry as Material Culture: Affect and Discourse in Medieval Persian Thought" <i>Religion, Emotion, and Affect Unit; Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion (AAR)</i>	2022
"Poetry, Piety and the Islamic Self in the Medieval Persian World" <i>Invited Lecture. Late Antique-Medieval-Early Modern Faculty Working Group (LAMEM), CUNY Brooklyn College</i>	2022
"Inclusive Course Design through the Syllabus" (five-week mini-course) <i>Instructor. Center for Teaching and Learning, Penn</i>	2022
"Inclusive and Equitable Teaching" (five-week mini-course) <i>Co-Instructor. Center for Teaching and Learning, Penn</i>	2021
"Appraising Praise: Making Sense of <i>Manāqib</i> Literature" <i>The Hagiology Seminar; Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Religion (AAR)</i>	2021
"Nostalgia and Vernacular Cosmopolitanism in Iqbal's 'Mosque of Cordoba'" <i>Vernacular and Cosmopolitan in South Asian Islam Graduate Conference, Penn</i>	2019

- “*Sabk-i Hindī* or *Taza-gu’ī*: Reading Sahābī Astarābādī today” 2018  
*Great Lakes Adiban Society (GLAS) Workshop; University of Chicago*
- “Active Intellect in Avicenna and Averroes: Aristotle’s Evolving Authority in Early Islamic Philosophy” 2016  
*CCNYFellowship, Fourteenth Annual Research Conference, CUNY City College*

## Service

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- Steering Committee Member 2022-27  
*Religion, Affect, and Emotion Unit; American Academy of Religion (AAR)*
- Invited Panelist, “Transitioning from Teaching Assistant to Instructor” workshop 2020  
*Center for Teaching and Learning and Department of Religious Studies, Penn*
- Organizing Committee Member 2020  
*Troubling Translation(s) Graduate Conference, Penn*
- Lead Co-Organizer 2019  
*Vernacular and Cosmopolitan in South Asian Islam Graduate Conference, Penn*
- Selection Committee Member 2016  
*Thomas W. Smith Academic Fellowship, the Baccalaureate Program, CUNY Graduate Center*

## Literary Publications

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- “Crossing,” Translation of “عبور” by Mohammad Ali Bahmani  
*DoubleSpeak*, Spring 2020. [https://www.doublespeakmagazine.org/poems\\_2020/crossing](https://www.doublespeakmagazine.org/poems_2020/crossing)
- “Ghazal,” Translation of “غزل” by Hossein Monzavi  
*DoubleSpeak*, Spring 2019. [https://www.doublespeakmagazine.org/poems\\_2019/ghazal](https://www.doublespeakmagazine.org/poems_2019/ghazal)

## Professional Experience

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- Participant in faculty training program on online pedagogy 2021  
 CUNY Brooklyn College
- Research Assistant and Consultant on Persian sources 2022  
 Book Project, Prof. Jamal Elias (Religious Studies, University of Pennsylvania)
- Research Consultant on 19<sup>th</sup> century Arabic newspapers 2022  
 Prof. Reyhan Durmaz (Religious Studies, University of Pennsylvania)
- Research Consultant on Persian historical sources for South Asia 2020-  
 Prof. Ramya Sreenivasan (History, University of Pennsylvania)
- Lead Persian Translator and Digital Humanities Specialist 2020  
[Unstable Archives: Gender and Empire in South Asia](#)  
 University of Oxford and University of Pennsylvania

Founding Board Member, Assistant to the Director Roya Institute for Global Justice, New York, NY	2020-
Exhibition Consultant Asia Collection, Seattle Museum of Art	2018
Writing Consultant The CCNY Writing Center at The Samuel Rudin Academic Resource Center, New York, NY	2014, 17
Volunteer English Language Instructor Fondation Orient-Occident, Rabat, Morocco	2015