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**RESEARCH INTERESTS** The anthropology of Islam and the Middle East  
The role of mass media and school education in shaping the public knowledge of Islam (textuality, orality, embodiment of knowledge)  
Scholarly culture and literate tradition (Sufism, *hadith*, Orientalism)  
Performance art and sport (authenticity, originality, formal aestheticism; marketing of oriental martial arts and spirituality in Egypt and Italy)

**Doctoral Research Project:** The Production and Consumption of Islamic Knowledge in Contemporary Egypt: the Revival of the Intellectual Legacy of ‘Abd al-Halim Mahmud. (Expected date of completion, Sept 2009)

### EDUCATION

Oct 2005 - Present DPhil (Oriental Studies), St. Antony’s College, University of Oxford, UK  
Sept 2005 MSc (Social Anthropology), Green College, University of Oxford, UK  
Mar 2002 MA (Area Studies), Kyoto University, Japan  
Mar 2000 BA (Comparative Culture), Sophia University, Japan

**Visiting Studentships:** Department of Philosophy, Cairo University, Egypt (Apr 2006 - Oct 2008)  
IMEIS, Durham University, UK (Oct 1998 - Jun1999)  
International Language Institute, Egypt (Aug 1998)

**Scholarships:** Albert Hourani Graduate Studentship (2008-2009)  
The Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarship (2006-2008)  
Faculty of Oriental Studies Graduate Studentship (2005-2008)  
Clarendon Fund Bursaries (2005-2007)  
The Japan Scholarship Foundation (2000-2002)

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Master's Theses:**

- 2005                    Managing Local Knowledge in Contemporary Egypt. Green College, University of Oxford.
- 2002                    The Revival of Islamic Knowledge in Contemporary Egypt: The Intellectual Contribution of Shaykh ‘Abd al-Halim Mahmud. Kyoto University. (In Japanese)

### **Articles:**

- 2009                    “Doubt, Faith and Knowledge: The Reconfiguration of the Intellectual Field in Post-Nasserist Cairo.” Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute. 15.s1, 41-56. (Co-authored with A. Salvatore)
- 2006                    “In Search of the Ultimate Reality: Sufism and Zen Buddhism in the Twentieth Century.” (ed) Z. Kenchelaoui. Des Voies et des Voix. Algiers: CNRPAH, 170-179.
- 2005                    “A Sufi-‘Alim Intellectual in Contemporary Egypt: ‘Al-Ghazali of 14<sup>th</sup> Century A.H.,’ Shaykh ‘Abd al-Halim Mahmud.” (ed) E. Geoffroy. Une école soufie dans le monde: La Shadhiliyya. Paris : Maisonneuve et Larose, 319-332.
- 2001                    “Intellectuals and Knowledge in Modern Egypt: The Case of ‘Abd al-Halim Mahmud.” Istanbular Almanach 5. Istanbul: Orient-Institut der DMG.

### **Encyclopaedia**

#### **Entries:**

- Forthcoming                    “Mahmud, ‘Abd al-Halim.” The Encyclopaedia of Islam. 3<sup>rd</sup> ed. Leiden: Brill.
- 2009  
(Forthcoming)                    “Mahmud, ‘Abd al-Halim.” The Oxford Encyclopedia of the Islamic World. (ed) J. Esposito. NY and Oxford: OUP.

## CONFERENCES

- 2009 “Narrating *Hadiths* for the Egyptian Nation: Radio Lectures by ‘Abd al-Halim Mahmud.” The New Islamic Public Sphere Programme. Copenhagen, Denmark. (Feb 13)
- 2008 “Being a Sufi Without a *Shaykh*?: The Sufism Marketing Strategies of ‘Abd al-Halim Mahmud (1910-78).” The Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association in North America. Washington DC, USA. (Nov 22-26)
- 2007 “The Sufism Marketing Strategy of Shaykh ‘Abd al-Halim Mahmud (1910-78).” The 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Japan Association for Middle East Studies. Sendai, Japan. (May 12-13)
- 2006 “Sufism of Today, Sufism of Tomorrow: Envisioning a Sufi Model for Contemporary Egyptians.” Soufisme, Culture, et Musique. Bedjaia, Algeria. (Dec 10-12)
- 2006 “Discovering Intellectuals in Contemporary Egypt?” Master’s Seminar “The Islamic Paradigm: On the Relationship between Social Sciences and Islamic Studies”. Bad Kreuznach, Germany. (Sept 7-9)
- 2005 “In Search of the Ultimate Reality: Sufism and Zen Buddhism in the Twentieth Century.” Soufisme, Culture, et Musique. Tlemcen, Algeria. (Nov 12-15)
- 2003 “A Sufi-‘Alim Intellectual in Contemporary Egypt: ‘Al-Ghazali of 14<sup>th</sup> Century A.H.,’ Shaykh ‘Abd al-Halim Mahmud.” Une école spirituelle dans le monde: la voie soufie des Shâdhilis. Alexandria, Egypt. (Apr 18-21)
- 2001 “Intellectuals and Knowledge in Modern Egypt: The Case of ‘Abd al-Halim Mahmud.” International Summer Academy for Doctoral and Postdoctoral Researchers: Local Production of Islamic Knowledge. Istanbul, Turkey. (Sept 3-14)