

## **Farah Adeed**

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### **Professional Appointments**

- Graduate Student Affiliate (2024- Present), Boston University, Center for Innovation in Social Science (CISS)
- Research Fellow (January 2024 to June 2024), Boston University, Institute on Culture, Religion & World Affairs: CURA
- Assistant Editor (2017-2021), Global Village Space, Islamabad, Pakistan

### **Education**

#### **Boston University, Massachusetts**

- Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) – Political Science (2023- Present)

#### **San Diego State University, California**

- MA Political Science, 2023  
Thesis: *Islam and Democracy: Comparing Islamic Organizations in Pakistan and Indonesia*. Chair, Ahmet T. Kuru
- Advanced Certificate in Comparative and Global Politics, 2022

#### **University of the Punjab, Lahore, Pakistan**

- M.Phil. Political Science, 2019
- B.S. (Hons) Sociology and Socio-Cultural Studies, 2018
- B.S. (Hons) Political Science, 2017

### **Research Interest**

Religion, State Formation, and Democracy in South and Southeast Asia.

### **Selected Essays & Op-Eds**

- 2024. "Power Demands Compliance." *The Nation*, October 28th.
- 2024. "In Memoriam: James C. Scott (1936-2024) – A Dissident Voice in Political Science." *Boston University Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies*.
- 2024. "ESSAY: IS POLARISATION REALLY SO BAD?" *Dawn*, September 1st.
- 2023. "Liberty Is Not the Product of Any One Religion," *The Acton Institute*, May 18.
- 2022. "Essay: Individual Freedoms and Islam," *Dawn*, October, 09.
- 2022. "Abolishing blasphemy laws in Pakistan will lead to more violence." *The Acton Institute*, July 28.
- 2022. "Is Indonesia's "Civil Islam" a model for the Muslim world?" *The Acton Institute*,

July 14.

- 2022. “Is Aurat [women] March un-Islamic?”, *Dawn*, March 6.
- 2022. “Academic Freedom and the Future of Democracy in Pakistan,” *The Friday Times*, February 28.
- 2021. “Essay: The Politics of Blasphemy and Lynching,” *Dawn*, December 19.
- 2021. “Pakistan Lynching: How Did Blasphemy Become a Political Tool?” *The Quint*, December 10.
- 2021. “Is Islam compatible with liberty?” *Dawn*, November 28.
- 2021. “Top 3 ways Taliban’s takeover will revive Islamist movements,” *Global Village Space*, August 26.
- 2021. “What is wrong with the Taliban’s ideology?” *Global Village Space*, August, 25.
- 2021. “Why nations radicalize,” *Global Village Space*, May 1<sup>st</sup>.
- 2021. “Islam and Trade: Can Ulema be Merchants?” *Global Village Space*, April 7.
- 2018. “Buzdar, Khan, Sarwar or Elahi – We Still Don’t Know Who Is Running Punjab,” *The Express Tribune*, November 30.
- 2017. “How I, a Punjabi, was brainwashed with anti-Pashtun bigotry. And how I unlearned it,” *The Nation*, February 27.
- 2017. “Women empowerment is not a foreign conspiracy to destroy our family system,” *The Nation*, May 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **Book Reviews**

Adeed, F. (2024). On the Promise of Piety. *Muslim Politics Review*, 3(2), 438-442.

2024. Review of Politics As Worship: Righteous Activism and the Egyptian Muslim Brothers by Sumita Pahwa, *Reading Religion* (American Academy of Religion’s blog), October 24.

2023. Review of Sacred Foundation: The Religious and Medieval Roots of the European State by Anna Grzymała-Busse, *Reading Religion* (American Academy of Religion’s blog), October 21.

2023: Sunni Chauvinism and the Roots of Muslim Modernism by Teena U. Purohit. *Dawn*, September 17.

2023. The Return of the Taliban: Afghanistan After the Americans Left by Hassan Abbas. *Dawn*, August 20th.

2022. Review of *Islam, Ethnicity, and Power Politics: Constructing Pakistan's National Identity* by Rasul Bakhsh Rais, *Reading Religion* (American Academy of Religion’s blog), April 17.

2022. Review of *Legacy of Violence: A History of the British Empire* by Caroline Elkins, *Political Studies Review*, August 22.

2022. Review of *Making a Muslim: Reading Publics and Contesting Identities in Nineteenth-Century North India* by S. Akbar Zaidi, *George Mason University*, December 8.

### **Teaching Experience:**

Teaching Fellow, Boston University

- IR 271: Introduction to International Relations (Fall 2024)

*Lecturer* in International Relations (2020-2021), University of Management and Technology, Sialkot, Pakistan

- Religion and Politics in South Asia
- Research Methods

### **Awards and Honors**

- Rizvi Excellence Award, University of the Punjab, 2019
- Chughtai Excellence Award, University of the Punjab, 2019

### **Fellowships and Grants**

2024. Center for Innovation in Social Science (CISS), Boston University (\$500)

2024. Southeast Asian Studies Summer Institute (SEASSI) Grant (\$2000)

2024. Institute on Culture, Religion & World Affairs (CURA) Research Grant (\$2500)

2023. The Acton Institute's Collins Center for Abrahamic Heritage Fellowship

2022. Completion of Research and Creative Activity Fellowship, SDSU (\$5000)

### **Association and Internship**

- Vice-President Political Science Graduate Student Association, SDSU (2021-22)
- Summer Intern (Paid): The Acton Institute, Michigan, 2022

### **Guest Lectures:**

- Religion and Liberty at *Idara Fikre Jadeed*, Lahore, Pakistan. August 24th, 2024
- Sunni-Shia Relations in the Contemporary Muslim World: The Case of Pakistan at the *Islamic University of Indonesia*. July 15, 2024

### **Conference Presentations:**

- 2024. Presented a paper titled *The Role of Superior Courts in Democratic Erosion and Resilience* in an International Conference Democratic Governance in a Turbulent Age by the University of Vienna, Feb 14-16.
- 2021. Presented a paper titled “*CPEC is a new East India Company*”: *National Sovereignty, Economic Interdependence and the War of Narratives*, in an International Conference, “China Pakistan Economic Corridor Building Narratives” organized by the International Islamic University, Islamabad, November 19.
- 2019. Presented a paper titled *Culture, Politics and Democracy: Exploring the Case of Pakistan* in an International Conference organized by the University of the Punjab, Lahore, January 9-10.
- 2019. Presented a paper titled *Democratization in Pakistan: A Study of General Elections 2018* in Winter Symposium on Electoral Dynamics of Pakistan organized by the University of Management and Technology in collaboration with Gallup Pakistan, Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS), and University of Gujrat, January 26-27.
- 2018. International Conference on *Changing Regional Political Dynamics in South Asia*

organized by University of the Punjab, Lahore, January 16.

- 2018. Presented a paper titled *Politics of Ethnicity in Pakistan: Exploring the case of Pashtuns* in an International Conference, organized by the University of Peshawar and Sponsored by the Hanns Seidel Foundation, Germany, September 11.

### **Symposiums and Training Programs**

- 2024. *Acton University*, Michigan, June 24-28.
- 2023. *Acton University*, Michigan, June 19-23.
- 2022. *Acton University*, Michigan, June 20-23.
- 2022. Graduate Colloquium on Capitalism, Free Trade, and Globalization with Dr. Ross Emmett, Co-sponsored by *Liberty Fund, Inc.* and *Acton Institute*, Michigan, July 14-17.
- 2022. Symposium on Muslim Politics and the World Society by *Indonesian International Islamic University*, June 21-22.
- 2018. Participated in *Bali Democracy Students Conference: Democracy for Prosperity: The Youth's Perspective* in Nusa Dua, Bali organized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Indonesia, December 6-7.
- 2016. Participant in the 3rd International Summer School (August 22-September 5) organized by the University of Peshawar and sponsored by the *Hanns Seidel Foundation, Germany*, from August 22 to September 5.

### **Interviews conducted**

- 2021. Mustafa Akyol, Senior Research Fellow, Cato Institute, USA  
*EXCLUSIVE! Mustafa Akyol: How to Unlock the Muslim Mind?* April 22.
- 2020. Professor Ahmet T. Kuru, San Diego State University, *How can Muslims stop living in history? GVS Exclusive Interview with Prof. Ahmet T. Kuru:* November 1.
- 2020. Ibrahim Hasan Murad, President, University of Management and Technology (UMT)  
*Pakistani academia must innovate or get disrupted: President UMT Ibrahim Murad*, May 11.

### **TV Appearance**

RIASAT | Synagogue Attack in Texas: Rising Extremism in the West | PTV News 18-01-2022

### **Languages**

- 1) Urdu (Native)
- 2) Saraiki (Native)
- 3) English (Fluent)
- 4) Indonesian (Elementary)