

**RELIGION AND LAW IN THE GLOBAL MIDDLE AGES  
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24 2009**

“Religion and Law in the Global Middle Ages” brings together internationally distinguished scholars, faculty and students from the University of Minnesota, and community members including high school teachers, to discuss the period when some of our most compelling contemporary issues were first formulated: for example, separation between religion and the state, toleration of minority religious groups in a theocratic state, and authority to decide when and how sacred texts are binding. As Christianity and Islam came to be the dominant religions and legal systems in their respective regions and a scattered Jewish community maintained its identity through shared law, and other regions of the world developed traditions separate from the three interrelated cultures of Europe and the Middle East, the relation between religion and law was continually contested.

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9:00	<b>Welcome</b>	
9:15	<b>Session 1: “The Abolition of Adoption in Islam and the Finality of Prophecy”</b>	David Powers, Cornell
10:30	Coffee Break	
10:45	<b>Session 2: Religion(s) in Secular Law Codes.</b>  (with opportunity to view an actual medieval legal manuscript)	F. Ron Akehurst, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities Matthew Heintzelmann, Hill Museum and Manuscript Library Ann Zimo, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
	<b>Session 3: Law and Religion in Everyday Life</b>	Brian Catlos, University of California, Santa Cruz Yonglin Jiang, Bryn Mawr College Michael Lower, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
12:30	Lunch	
1:30	<b>Session 4: “The Pope's Two Jobs: Supreme Judge and Pastor of the Universal Church”</b>	Anders Winroth, Yale
2:45	Coffee Break	
3:00	<b>Session 5: Teaching Medieval Islamic Religion and Law (Curriculum Workshop)</b>	Munir Shaikh, UCLA
	<b>Session 6: Trials and Tribulations: Religion and Legal Procedures, Factual and Fictional</b>	Susan Einbinder, Hebrew Union College/Jewish Institute of Religion Andrew Rabin, University of Louisville Karl Shoemaker, University of Wisconsin-Madison
4:45	<b>Closing Reception</b>	

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PREREGISTRATION FORM**

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Conference registration, continental breakfast and coffee service are free, but preregistration is requested. Lunch is available for \$15 and requires advance registration.

Teachers will receive a certificate indicating six clock hours of continuing education.

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