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Biography

Among my students I try to encourage sensitivity to global nuances rather than the impulsive application of models, as well as orient them to cultivate something along the lines of a comparative social theory. This, in my view, emerges in its best form out of a broad and deep exposure to cultural and social histories. For me, this orientation has generated research and teaching interests in cultural and political globalization, Islamic studies, culture and revolution, civil society, and comparative social theory. My current research projects build on earlier work: my earlier interest in global processes has metamorphosed into comparative explorations of civil society and non-state centered political life, whereas my interest in religion and secularism in modernity has evolved into a comparative interest in the dynamics of conservative thought and the role of ideas of tradition.

Fields of Interest

- Islam
- · revolutions and social movements
- social and political theory
- globalization
- culture

Degrees

PhD, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1990