



BLURRING BOUNDARIES – ARABIC IDENTITIES ACROSS THE MEDITERRANEAN AND BEYOND

A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES SYMPOSIUM

“Who are ‘We’, and who is the ‘Other’, is a question which has become increasingly complex in late modern times, due to the effects of globalization. In the Arabic speaking context, another force is driving this question, in addition to globalization: the securitization, and consequentially, the minoritization of Arabic. This conference delves into these forces through the lens of the Arabic language, a language which has been conceived as uniting the Arab world and diaspora alike. But at the same time, it has been burdened recently with the discourse of Islamic extremism, security, and immigration (or its ban).

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 1

7:30 pm – 9:30 pm, Wells Hall B119
Junction 48 Screening

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 2

9:00 am – 6:00 pm, Wells Hall B342

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 3

9:00 am – 1:00 pm, Wells Hall B342

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