

Term Paper

Los Angeles Harbor College - Spring 2017

Due: May 30th

In his article, *MULTICULTURALISMS: Western, Muslim and Future*, Imam Feisal Abdul Rauf describes the exchange of paradigms between the middle east and western society. Rauf argues for increased communication between various muslim communities, not only between the muslim and non-muslim world, but between each other.

1. Analysis: Explain the paradigms and the exchange of paradigms between the middle east and western society.
2. Analysis: Explain what *Multiculturalism* is in the context of Rauf's article
 - a. What are some examples which Rauf gives of an MC society?
 - b. How does MC apply to religion?
3. Opinion: Do you believe that people who inhabit the west (the US specifically) have an accurate understanding of Muslims beyond the scope of the media?
 - a. Furthermore, do you believe it is possible for anyone to have an accurate understanding of the members of *any* religion?
 - b. Specifically, pick one of the eastern religions we covered and explain a teaching or feature which surprised you.
4. Analysis: How does your answer to (3) tie into MC?
 - a. Do you define MC differently than Rauf does?
 - b. If so, how does Rauf's definition of MC differ from your own?
 - c. If not, which aspects of Rauf's MC do you find most illuminating?
5. Opinion: Should the ground zero cultural center be completed?

Suggestions and Requirements:

- I. You **MUST HAVE A THESIS!**
- II. Your paper *must* be 12 point font, times new roman, double spaced
- III. Your paper *should* be around 5 pages in length
- IV. You *must* answer each point in the rubric in a developed essay
- V. You *must* turn in a hard copy on the day of your final
- VI. If you bring in outside sources from beyond the scope of this class, you must include a works cited page.**
- VII. Don't plagiarize, it's not worth it, I will not let you Re-Do or re-submit a plagiarized paper.**