Day 1: Friday, February 1

9:00 - 9:30 am
Welcome & Introductions
Sh. Hassan Aly; Sara Trumm; Catherine Orsborn

9:30 - 10:30 am
Opening Session
Prof. Mark Swanson; Terrance McKinley

10:30 am – 12:00 pm
Islam 101
Prof. Feryal Salem

12:00 – 1:00 pm
Lunch - Conversations at Tables

1:00 – 1:45 pm
Friday Prayers
With guidance from Hassan Aly and Feryal Salem

1:45 – 2:15 pm
Overview of Faith Communities & Anti-Muslim Bigotry
Catherine Orsborn; Kathryn Lohre

2:15 – 4:15 pm
Addressing Hot Button Issues
Terry Kyllo; Hassan Aly; Yasir Bilgin; TBD

4:15 – 5:15 pm
Resource Overview & Break for Networking/Resource Sharing

5:15 – 6:00 pm
Dinner with MECCA Center hosts

6:00 – 7:00 pm
Play: Unveiled
Rohina Malik
Saturday, February 2

9:00 – 9:30 am
Welcome & Re/Orienting
Catherine Orsborn

9:30 – 10:30 am
The Psychology of Fear
Samantha Owens

10:30 am – 12:00 pm
Understanding & Unpacking anti-Muslim Bigotry
Nina Fernando; Madihha Ahussain; Kalia Abiade; Tariq El-Amin

12:00 – 12:20 pm
Break (grab lunch!)

12:20 – 1:15 pm
Messaging for Change: What we say and how we say it (Part 1)
Guthrie Graves-Fitzsimmons

1:15 – 1:45 pm
Learning Group Practice (round 1)

1:45 – 3:00 pm
Messaging for Change: What we say and how we say it (Part 2)
Catherine Orsborn; Kim Schultz; Guthrie Graves-Fitzsimmons

3:00 – 3:30 pm
Learning Group Practice (round 2)

3:30 – 4:30 pm
Strategies for addressing anti-Muslim Bigotry: Beyond the Message
Usra Ghazi; Terry Kyllo; Mandy France; Evan Mayhew; Joe Yucha; David Webb; Terrance McKinley

4:30 – 5:00 pm
Closing: Commitments & Reflections
Nina Fernando
About

Faith Over Fear is a training program developed to equip faith leaders and communities with effective strategies for better advocating against anti-Muslim bigotry.

The approach, which centers positive and aspirational messaging to correct a narrative of fear and divisiveness, was developed collaboratively by Shoulder to Shoulder, the Muslim Association of Puget Sound- American Muslim Empowerment Network, Neighbors in Faith, and CAIR-Washington. We are grateful to partner with numerous additional national organizations and experts on the content for this training, which we are bringing to communities around the United States.

Organizers of Faith Over Fear Chicago:

A Center of Christian-Muslim Engagement for Peace and Justice (CCME) at the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago (LSTC) fosters and deepens relations between Christians and Muslims as a significant part of its larger purpose of building bridges of mutual understanding, respect and cooperation among people of all faiths.

Shoulder to Shoulder is a national coalition-based campaign of religious denominations and faith-based organizations and communities that are committed to ending discrimination and violence against Muslims in the United States by equipping, connecting, and mobilizing faith leaders to effectively take action.

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