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For Love and Mercy: Exploring Matrimonial Practices in American Muslim Communities

What does marriage have to do with religion? This lecture explores matrimonial practices in American Muslim communities, including how American Muslims find spouses, how expectations and practices related to marriage are negotiated, and how Muslim weddings constitute both religious rituals and social events. Central to the project and the lecture is the argument that through marriage, in discourse and in practice, American Muslims negotiate gender constructions as well as ideas about religion and culture.

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