Herrick Library hosts discussion on �A Quiet Revolution� in Mideast

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Alfred University&s (AU) Herrick Library will host a discussion of "A Quiet Revolution: The Veil&s Resurgence from the Middle East to America" on Monday, April 1, from 6:30-8 p.m. in the BookEnd Lounge. The event is open to the public, and refreshments will be provided.

Christopher Churchill, assistant professor of history and global studies at Alfred University, together with several other faculty members from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, will lead the discussion, introducing themes from the book and analyzing the politicization of the veil, contemporary Islamic politics, feminist approaches to studying religions, and the challenges of inter-religious and cross-cultural understanding.

This event is made possible as part of a "Bridging Cultures Bookshelf" grant awarded to the Alfred University Libraries by the National Endowment for the Humanities and the American Libraries Association. As part of this grant, the Alfred University Libraries also received a collection of 25 books and four films designed to increase public understanding of Muslims in the United States and around the world.

Students in selected AU classes are reading from "A Quiet Revolution" this semester. Others interested in participating in the discussion are invited to consult the copy of the book on reserve in Herrick Library prior to the event.

For more information about the Bridging Cultures Bookshelf materials and more upcoming public programs at AU, visit <u>http://libguides.alfred.edu/muslim-journeys</u>.