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Professional Summary

Fulbright Fellow and PhD graduate from IIT Madras, specializing in gender studies, masculinity studies, and cultural theory. An experienced educator and researcher with a strong record of publications in leading international journals and edited volumes. Actively engaged in academic communities through conferences, invited talks, and editorial work. Research focuses on the intersections of gender—particularly masculinity—with religion, especially Islam, and modernity in South Asian and Muslim contexts.

Academic Positions

- Assistant Professor, Post Graduate & Research Dept. of English, TKM College of Arts and Science, Kollam (Since Dec 2021)
- Associate Dean of Academic Research, TKM College of Arts and Science, Kollam (Since 2024 – 25 academic year)
- Member, Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), TKM College of Arts and Science, Kollam (Since 2024 – 25 academic year)
- Higher Secondary School Teacher (English), Chennamangallur HSS, Kozhikode (Sep 2018 – Dec 2021)
- Visiting Scholar, Center for the Study of Men and Masculinities, State University of New York at Stony Brook, USA (July 2016– May 2017)

Education

- PhD in English Studies, IIT Madras (2013–2020)
Dissertation: Religion, Community and Masculinity: A Study of Mappila Muslim Men in Malabar
 - MPhil in English Literature, EFLU Hyderabad (2012–2013)
Dissertation: Imagining the Malayalee Muslim Woman: A Post-secular Reading of Khadija Mumtas' Athuram and Barasa
 - MA in English & Comparative Literature, Pondicherry University (2009–2011)
 - PG Diploma in Journalism & Mass Communication, Pondicherry University (2010–2011)
 - B.Ed. in English, University of Calicut (2007–2008)
 - BA in English Language & Literature, University of Calicut (2004–2007)
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Awards & Certifications

- Fulbright-Nehru Doctoral Research Fellowship (2016–17)
 - National Eligibility Test (NET) – English (2012)
 - Kerala State Eligibility Test (SET) – English (2011)
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Academic Publications

Journal Articles:

- Kasim, Muhammadali P. (2025). *Mappila Muslim men, Islamic piety, and reflexive masculinities*. Contemporary Islam, 19, 317–332.
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s11562-025-00575-2>
- Kasim, Muhammadali P. (2022). *Men, Capital and Hegemony: Male-Male Axis of Mappila Muslim Masculinities*. The Journal of Men's Studies, 30(2), 213–229.
<https://doi.org/10.1177/10608265211050680>
- Kasim, M.P. (2020). *Mappila Muslim Masculinities: A History of Contemporary Abjection*. Men and Masculinities, 23(3-4), 542–557.
<https://doi.org/10.1177/1097184X18803658>

Book Chapters:

- Kasim, Muhammadali P. (2021). *Gender, Identity and Malayali Muslim Women: Towards a Decolonial Critique*. In *Making Distinctions: Towards a Social Science of Inclusive Opposition*, pp. 239–252. North Carolina: Information Age Publishing, 9781648023200.
- Kasim, Muhammadali P. (2016). *Between Modernity and Community: Contextualizing Mappila Muslim Masculinities*. In *Problematics of Gender Discourse*, pp. 66–80. Delhi: Authorspress. 9789352071753
- Kasim, Muhammadali P. 2012. “Dalit-Other and Practices of Malayalam Media” in *Writing as Resistance: Discourses on Dalit Literature*, eds. T Marx and Sundara Babu N., pp. 108-114. Mumbai: Vikas Adhyayan Kendra.

Book Review:

- Kasim, Muhammadali P. 2017. Political Islam and Masculinity: Muslim Men in Australia. *NORMA: International Journal for Masculinity Studies*, 12(2): 181-184
doi.org/10.1080/18902138.2017.1330813

Workshops & Training

- Short-Term Programme – “*Situated Knowledges: Multilingual Education in the Indian Context*” – Indian Institute of Information Technology, Design & Manufacturing, Kancheepuram (04–09 Aug 2025)
- NEP 2020 Orientation & Sensitization Programme – Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Centre (MM-TTP), University of Kerala, Kariavattom, Thiruvananthapuram (17–27 Mar 2025)
- UGC-Sponsored Online Faculty Induction Programme – UGC Human Resource Development Centre, Aligarh Muslim University (08 Sep – 13 Oct 2023)
- Digital Empowerment Program for Teachers – Jointly organized by DIET and Samagra Shiksha Kozhikode (14–16 Aug 2020)
- Intensive Summer Program in Academic Writing – English Language Institute, University of Delaware, USA (01–20 Aug 2016)
- Researching the Contemporary – Centre for the Study of Developing Societies (CSDS), New Delhi (Jul–Aug 2014)

- Understanding Emancipation Today: Theory, Philosophy, Politics – Department of Cultural Studies, EFLU Hyderabad (19–21 Feb 2014)
 - Theory, After Theory: Uses, Crisis and New Directions – Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Madras and Forum on Contemporary Theory (26–28 Sep 2014)
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Conferences & Seminars

- *Muslim Men and Changing Trajectories of Islamic Activism: Towards New Muslim Masculinities in Kerala* – 23rd Annual Meeting of the Popular Protests and Alternative Future Conferences, Manchester Metropolitan University, Manchester, UK (27 Mar 2018).
 - *Islamic Moral Publics and the Masculine: A Study of Islamic Masculinities in South India* – American Men’s Studies Association Conference, University of Michigan, USA (01 Apr 2017).
 - *Mappila Muslim Masculinity: A History of the Contemporary* – Centre for the Study of Men and Masculinities, State University of New York (27 Mar 2017).
 - *Between Modernity and Community: Contextualizing Mappila Muslim Masculinities* – St. Stephen’s College, University of Delhi (07 Apr 2015).
 - *Towards a Post-foundationalist Gender Critique: Theorizing Post-secular Feminism* – Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Guwahati (01 Nov 2014).
 - *Oxymoron or Liberation: Theorizing Islamic Feminism* – Association of Third World Studies, IIT Madras (30 Dec 2013).
 - *Muslim Woman: Contextualizing the Secular Project* – Department of English Literature, EFLU Hyderabad (20 Nov 2012).
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Invited Talks

- *An Introduction to the Study of Men and Masculinities* – Webinar, Open Society, University of Calicut (18 May 2020).
- *An Introduction to Critical Gender Theory* – VKHMO College of Arts and Science for Women, Makkam, Kozhikode (25 Dec 2019).
- *Panel Discussion: “Identity Politics – Homogenizing versus Heterogeneity”* – Department of Philosophy, Sacred Heart Seminary, Poonamallee, Chennai (24 Sep 2017).

- *Gender and Islam: Why Language of Coloniality Matters?* – Ibn Khaldun Institute of Social Sciences, Kuttiady, Kozhikode (28 Sep 2017).
 - *Introduction to Research in Humanities and Social Sciences* – Maharaja's College, Ernakulam (03 Oct 2017).
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Academic Service& Membership

- Correspondent Editor, *Journal of Men and Masculinities* (Sep 2016 – May 2017).
- Reviewer for:
 - Men and Masculinities* (SAGE),
 - NORMA: International Journal for Masculinity Studies* (Taylor & Francis),
 - Humanities and Social Sciences Communications* (Springer Nature)
- Member: American Men's Studies Association