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Course: Feminist and Islam (4648)
Level: M. Sc.

Semester: Spring, 2014
Total Marks: 100

Guideline for Preparing Assignment:

- *Assignment is a take home test; you are free to use materials from internet, books and course books.*
- *Please understand the question and write in your own words by arranging your answer with an introduction, main discussion with sub topics and conclusion.*
- *Copying from books, internet etc is not allowed.*
- *Typed assignments are not accepted. If reference of other research is being quoted, it should be properly acknowledged.*

ASSIGNMENT No. 1

(Units: 1-5)

- Q. 1 Is Islamic feminism the only discourse to get women rights in the Muslim World? (20)
- Q. 2 Islam is the only religion which gradually gave rights to women but on the other hand mostly it is the Muslim world in which women's status is the poorest. Discuss this argument. (20)
- Q. 3 How tribalism and culture has strengthened patriarchy which impinged women rights in the Islamic world? (20)
- Q. 4 To what extent Islamic Ideological council can facilitate in improving the status of women in Pakistan? Explain. (20)
- Q. 5 How various colonizers exploited the position of women in the colonized world? (20)

ASSIGNMENT No. 2

(Units: 6–9)

- Q. 1 Do you think Muslim women's dress is a political issue? Explain in light of recent legislations in some of the European countries. **(10+10)**
- Q. 2 How women rights are perceived in Iran after Khomeini's Islamic revolution?(**20**)
- Q. 3 In Turkey the seeds of feminism can be traced during the Ottoman Empire in the 19th century after that taking up the indigenous issues, how women's movement progressed? **(20)**
- Q. 4 What is Orientalism? How women's situation is central in the discussion of the western orientalist? **(10+10)**
- Q. 5 Islam has complete code of women's rights but in practice there are serious gaps? Why? **(20)**

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