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**MOHAMED MANSOUR LECTURE IN CONTEMPORARY ISLAMIC THOUGHT**
with
**DR. UMAR FARUQ ABD-ALLAH**

"ISLAM AND THE CULTURAL IMPERATIVE"

Monday, April 16, 2018
6:30-8 p.m.*
Victoria College Building
91 Charles Street West
Vic Chapel (VC 213)

*Reception to follow in Vic Foyer (Second Floor)

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Dr. Umar Faruq Abd-Allah is an American Muslim who embraced Islam in 1970. He studied Arabic and Islamic studies at the University of Chicago and received his doctorate there in 1978. He taught at the Universities of Windsor (Ontario), Temple, Michigan, and King Abdul-Aziz (Jeddah). During several years abroad, he was able to study with a number of traditional Islamic scholars. He returned to the United States in 2000 to work with the Nawawi Foundation (Chicago), where he remained for more than a decade. He currently works under the auspices of The Oasis Initiative (Chicago). He is engaged in independent research, writing, lecturing, and teaching across the United States, Canada, Europe, West Africa, and elsewhere with a focus on Islamic theology, spirituality, law and legal theory, and history.

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