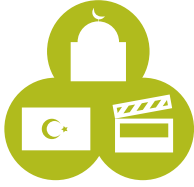


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ENGAGING MUSLIM INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

SHARING THE GOOD NEWS
WITH CULTURAL WISDOM

3 THINGS TO KNOW

- 1 In general, religion, politics, and culture are deeply intertwined. 
- 2 Muslims are diverse! How conservative or liberal a Muslim is often depends on their country of origin. Gulf states (Saudi Arabia and surrounding nations) tend to be most conservative.
- 3 Some words will mean different things to your Muslim friends. See tiny.cc/m-words for alternate terms.

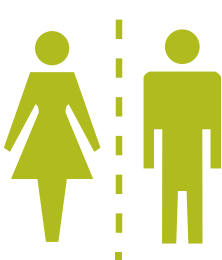
Son of God

God had a physical relationship with Mary

The Cross

God allowed a prophet (Jesus) to die a shameful death...blasphemy!

X THINGS TO AVOID

- 1 Avoid emphasizing Christianity. Instead, focus on Jesus. (Christianity can carry cultural baggage, but Muslims respect Jesus already.)
- 2 Avoid making friends with or touching the opposite gender. Introduce them to a friend of their gender. 
- 3 Avoid cultural insensitivity, like:
Negative comments about Islam or Muhammad
Clothing that exposes knees, shoulders or upper arms
Serving pork at gatherings



3 THINGS TO TRY

- 1 Have spiritual conversations early on – they build trust! Ask thoughtful questions:
 - What do you believe about Jesus (Isa)?
 - Have you ever read the Gospels (Injil)?
- 2 Pursue genuine friendship. Share about God in your life through loving words and actions. Go to them.
- 3 Pray for them to hear from God via dreams and visions. Pray with them for various needs. 

MORE RESOURCES

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Put "Muslim 3x3" in subject line.

Arabic Bible bible.com/bible/153/luk.1

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