Innovative Research: Understanding Behavior

The FYI engages in applied research to help strengthen American Muslim youth, their families, and communities.

Our academia.edu page is in the top 2% of most visited pages, with over 7,000 direct paper downloads

Research Metrics

(Cumulative results through 2014)
- 3 Current research areas (General American Muslim Youth, African-American Muslim Youth, Convert Youth)
- 16 Academic publications produced (directly)
- 7,384 publications viewed (directly). Top 2% of Academia.edu visits
- 16 Academic conference presentations
Impactful Community Education

The FYI seeks to empower and strengthen individuals, families, and communities through educational programs that integrate research as well as clinical and community based experiences, within an Islamic perspective.

“"I found every aspect of this workshop relevant to my experience as a mother, member of a community, activist, events coordinator, and halaqa leader. I found the skills taught relevant to my personal life, my professional life, and my community involvement.” - Workshop Participant

Community Education Impact 2014

- 250 information postings. The FYI shares a range of educational posts aimed at strengthening families every weekday via email, Facebook, and Twitter
- Average age of readership: 25-44 age
- Readers located in 30 countries: US, Canada, Australia, UK, Philippines, Malaysia, Saudi Arabia, Nepal, Croatia, France, India, Hong Kong, Belgium, Pakistan, Indonesia, Netherlands, Uganda, Nigeria, South Africa, Turkey, Ghana, Kenya, Tunisia, Tanzania, Azerbaijan, Sudan, Iran, Uganda, Brunei
- 30+ Workshops and lectures developed on numerous topics
- 20 workshops/presentations delivered
- 9,500 attendees at presentations
Educating for an Impact

The FYI workshops are evaluated to assess the impact for participants.

“Every individual comes from an immense litany of life shaping experiences. Each of which needs to be empathized with and understood when resolving issues and developing people.” - Workshop Participant

Pre- and Post-tests indicated significant increase in knowledge regarding youth development

We analyze and track the performance of our workshops to fine tune the programs and ensure we are having the desired impact on the ground.
Finances

By being judicious with our finances, we are able to maximize the return on investment the donors have made with the FYI.

The FYI Team

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