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**Shari’a in Australia and the US**

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Where large diasporic communities of Muslim migrants develop, there are demands for the practice of Shari’a in the resolution of domestic disputes. This research explores, for the first time, how Shari’a is lived by these communities across two Western states: Australia and the USA. By exploring Muslim experiences of Western and Shari’a courts, and the understanding of Shari’a within Western courts, this study will make innovative conceptual and empirical contributions to the debate about post-secular societies through the study of legal pluralism in the West. This research will form an appropriate empirical base for a more complex and informed engagement with Shari’a.

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