

## The Burkini Controversy

For more about our interviewee, Dr. Jouili, see <http://www.religiousstudies.pitt.edu/faculty/Jouili.php>

### Classroom Resources:

#### Engaging the Debate

Opinion A: <http://dw.com/p/PM4C>

Opinion B: <http://www.nytimes.com/roomfordebate/2016/01/06/do-non-muslims-help-or-hurt-women-by-wearing-hijabs/wearing-the-headscarf-is-a-matter-of-feminism-aesthetics-and-solidarity-for-me>

Who is the author/subject of the article? What is his/her point of view?

What arguments does the author/subject make for or against wearing of the hijab?

### For further reading:

#### In the news:

<http://www.vox.com/2016/8/25/12623296/france-burkini-ban-explained>

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2016/aug/20/burkini-ban-cote-d-azur-spreads-france-divide>

#### Books:

John R. Bowen, *Why the French Don't Like Headscarves: Islam, the State, and Public Space* (Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press), 2007

The most accessible book-length treatment of the topic.

Joan Wallach Scott, *The Politics of the Veil* (Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 2010)

For educators and others who wish to go deeper.

More from our interviewee:

Jeanette S. Jouili, *Pious Practice and Secular Constraints: Women in the Islamic Revival in Europe* (Stanford University Press, 2015)