

Irshad Manji

- Celebrated by Deepak Chopra as the "New voice of reform, not only for Islam, but for all religions."
- International Bestselling Author, *The Trouble with Islam Today*, and *Allah, Liberty and Love*
- Acclaimed PBS Filmmaker, "Faith Without Fear"
- Founder and Director, Moral Courage Project at New York University



Irshad Manji is the Founder and Director of the Moral Courage Project, which equips students to make values-based decisions. She has turned her journey as a religious reformer into teachings about professional leadership, informed by cutting-edge research from across the disciplines.

As a reformist Muslim, Irshad puts moral courage into practice. Her latest book, *Allah, Liberty & Love*, is a guide to reconciling faith and freedom in a world raging with repressive dogmas. Fareed Zakaria of CNN and Time magazine lauds *Allah, Liberty & Love* as being "at the forefront of some crucially important trends" that are "changing the world of Islam." Irshad's previous book is the international bestseller, *The Trouble with Islam Today: A Muslim's Call for Reform in Her Faith*. In-between her books, she created the Emmy-nominated PBS documentary, *Faith Without Fear*.

In both the business and nonprofit arenas, Irshad's work has earned high recognition. The World Economic Forum names her as a Young Global Leader. The New York Society for Ethical Culture has given her its rare Ethical Humanist Award. And Oprah Winfrey bestowed on Irshad the first annual Chutzpah Award for "audacity, nerve, boldness and conviction."

At NYU Wagner, Irshad teaches Moral Courage and Your Purpose. Among the professional skills that students can expect to learn: articulating how you want to serve your society, identifying your core values, turning your values into action, knowing when to step up or step back, and staying motivated to deliver on your vision.