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MEDIEVAL ARABIC-ISLAMIC RHETORIC & POETICS: SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHY OF WORK IN ENGLISH

This bibliography is not the product of an expert in the area of Arabic-Islamic rhetoric and poetics but, rather, the work of a teacher of the history of rhetoric who discovered a need for a more convenient, updated source of information for his students. The bibliography is organized into five sub-areas: (I) a section of general studies, (II-IV) a section for each of the three main figures (Alfarabi, Avicenna, Averroës), and (V) a section of studies on historiography and influence.

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