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SUMMER 2018 RELIGION COURSES

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES

REL1300 **Introduction to World Religions** **Jesse Miller**

This course is an introduction to the academic study of the major religions of the world. The course will cover the religious traditions of Hinduism, Buddhism, Confucianism, Taoism, Zoroastrianism, Judaism, Christianity and Islam. In the process of comparing the religions of the world, it will be the responsibility of each student to think critically about the historical evolution, systems of belief, ritual practices, institutional developments and cultural expressions of each religious tradition. A range of reading materials and writing assignments have been chosen to provide a framework within which to engage a variety of religious issues and to understand the significance and relevance of religion in world history. ***Meets LS Humanities and Writing requirements as well as Multicultural X. This course is also offered online.***

REL2210 Introduction to the Old Testament Carson Bay

The word “Bible” is derived from the Greek word “biblia” which means “books”. While revered as a single book, the Bible is a collection of many texts that were composed by different authors at different times for different reasons. This course is an introduction to the critical study of this assorted literature and the world in which it was produced. We will examine individual texts of the Hebrew Bible/Old Testament within their historical contexts while taking into consideration other methodological approaches such as literary criticism and theology. *Meets LS Humanities and Writing requirements as well as Multicultural Y.*

REL2240 Introduction to the New Testament David Edwards

This course introduces students to the writings of the New Testament in the context of the historical development of early Christianity. *Meets LS Humanities and Cultural Practice as well as Multicultural Y.*

REL3152 Religion, Race & Ethnicity Dr. Drake

This course examines the relation between race, ethnicity and religious beliefs in a cross-cultural context. *Meets Ethics & Social Responsibility as well as X (cross-cultural).*

REL3170 Religious Ethics & Moral Problems Thomas Greene

This course discusses contemporary moral problems such as deception, sexual activities and relations, and capital punishment from the standpoints of major religious traditions. ***Meets Ethics & Social Responsibility as well as X (cross-cultural).***

REL3363 Islamic Traditions

This course provides a historical and topical survey of Islam as a religion and civilization, focusing on the formative and classical periods of its history. The course is primarily concerned with the life and career of Muhammad, the Prophet of Islam; the scriptural sources of Islam (i.e., the Qur'an and the Sunna); and the development of the Muslim community and its principal institutions (schools of thought, law, theology, cultural life, and mystical traditions). ***Meets LS Humanities and Cultural Practice as well as Multicultural Y.***

REL4491 SEM: Nuremberg Legacy: Law, Ethics, and Religion

Dr. Twiss

Exploration of the moral, political, and legal dimensions of international criminal tribunals focusing particularly on the main military tribunal in 1945-46 and its influence on both concurrent trials (e.g., Tokyo, SS-Einsatzgruppen) and subsequent 20th century trials and tribunals (e.g., Eichmann, Former Yugoslavia, Rwanda, ICC), including the development of universal jurisdiction. Attention to elucidating the roles of ethics and religion in such endeavors as well as alternatives to retributive justice per se.

REL4905 Dir Indiv Study

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RLG5906 DIS

RLG5911 Supervised Research

RLG5940 Supervised Teaching

RLG5971 Thesis

RLG6904 Readings for Exam

RLG6980 DISSERTATION

RLG8985 Dissertation Defense