#### **SUMMER 2021 RELIGION COURSES**

# **UNDERGRADUATE COURSES**

#### **REL1300** Introduction to World Religions

Various

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. Remote. This course is also offered online.* 

## **REL2121** Religion in the U.S.

Dr. Drake

This course examines the scope and nature of religious movements, trends, and figures in American religious history, with an emphasis on the role that religious groups and institutions have played in conceptions of America and formations of American identity. **Remote.** 

### **REL2210** Introduction to the Old Testament

Thomas Woodward

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*.

## **REL2350** Religions of East Asia

Dr. Yu

This course is an introduction to the history, thought, and practice of religion in China, Korea, and Japan. Confucianism, Taoism, Buddhism, and popular religious traditions from ancient through modern times are covered. *Meets LS Humanities requirements*.

# **REL3152** Religion, Race & Ethnicity

Jesse Lee

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).* 

## **REL3171** Topics in Ethics: Samurai Ethics

Dr. Buhrman

This course considers themes and problems in modern ethics. *Meets Ethics & Social Responsibility requirements. Remote.* 

# **REL4905** Dir Indiv Study

# **GRADUATE COURSES**

RLG5906 DIS

**RLG5911** Supervised Research

**RLG5940** Supervised Teaching

RLG5971 Thesis

**RLG6904** Readings for Exam

**RLG6980 DISSERTATION** 

**RLG8964** Doctoral Exams

**RLG8976** Masters Thesis Defense

**RLG8985** Dissertation Defense