Hon. 1000.28102: Head & Heart Syllabus Spring, 2019

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Description: This course investigates aspects of religious experience and practice that are relevant to virtually all religions, stressing the relationship(s) between rational and emotional aspects of religious faith ('Head and Heart'). The purpose is to provide a context for creative investigation of the role(s) of religion in one’s life as well as in that of others (other faiths, and other perspectives on one’s own faith).

Texts: All course material will be distributed in class, made available on D2L, or gathered by students themselves.

Requirements: (a) regular attendance & participation; (b) 3 short (3 pp.) papers on assigned topics; and (c) 2 short D2L discussions.

Grading: The 1st paper will be worth 20 pts.; the 2nd 25; and the 3rd 30 (75 pts.). The online assignments will be worth (up to) 5 pts. each (10 pts.); and attendance will be worth (up to) 15 pts. (0 unexcused absences = 15 pts.; 1 = 12 pts.; 2 = 9 pts; 3 = 6 pts.). Points can be deducted for (a) more than 3 unexcused absences; and/or (b) failing to adequately participate in group discussions.

Policies: The University Syllabus-Attachment has been placed on D2L. Also: (a) I will not tolerate any sort of academic dishonesty, and will recommend the most severe penalties for any sort of plagiarism or cheating; and (b) all submitted work should represent a student’s best work (should be thoroughly proof-read, devoid of typos, grammatical errors, etc.), and should be turned in on time. Makeups, grades of Incomplete, etc. must be approved in advance.

Have a Good Semester!