

Religion 1103: Introduction to World Religions

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(Please allow 24 hours for email response)

Course Time and Location: CRN 71128

Office Hours: by appointment via Zoom (email instructor to set up meetings)

Course Objectives: This course will introduce students to religions from around the world and students will gain the tools to study and discuss those religions objectively in an academic setting. Students will gain the tools to analyze the concepts of religion and how it applies to the study of different cultures and beliefs.

Required Text: Invitation to World Religions 4th Ed. ISBN-13: 978-0197543795 by: [Jeffrey Brodd](#), [Layne Little](#), [Bradley Nystrom](#), [Robert Platzner](#), [Richard Shek](#), [Erin Stiles](#)

Grading: There will be 2 Quizzes each accounting for 15 points, 1 Final Exam accounting for 30 points, additionally, each module will have 2 assignments, a 5 point assignment and a 15 point assignment (5 point assignments will be due the Friday after the module opens and the 15 point assignments will be due the following Monday). There are 200 possible points available for the course.

Late Assignments: If you turn in an assignment late, there will be a ½ point deduction for every week. For example, if an assignment is due 10/24 and you turn it in anywhere from 10/25-10/31, you will have ½ point deducted. Late assignments will only be accepted for module assignments not for quizzes or the final exam (without approved excuses).

Course Design: Each week you will have a series of tasks to complete. These will include textbook readings, videos, articles, webpages, PowerPoints and different types of assignments. The PowerPoints for each religion will go best when supplemented by the textbook chapters for those religions. I would recommend working through those simultaneously. There will be **two** assignments directly related to each module. There will also be assignments that cover multiple modules periodically throughout the class. You should maintain a consistent approach to this course so that you do not fall behind. You should be completing some aspect of the course each day of the week.

Classroom Procedure: Students should maintain proper behavior in this course. Interactions and discussions should be done with respect and compassion given to others.

Disability Procedures: Accommodation letters should be received by the instructor as soon as possible to ensure adequate accommodations are available.

Additional Information: Please be sure to familiarize yourself with the Syllabus Attachment at the following link. This attachment has information about Covid-19 and university policy regarding that as well as information about university policies on drop and withdrawal and university schedules.

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Academic Integrity: All students should familiarize themselves with the Academic Integrity policy at the link provided below. This policy will be strictly enforced in this course. If you have questions or concerns about the policy, please ask before submitting any work that may cause an issue.

<https://adminfinance.okstate.edu/site-files/documents/policies/academic-integrity-policy.pdf>