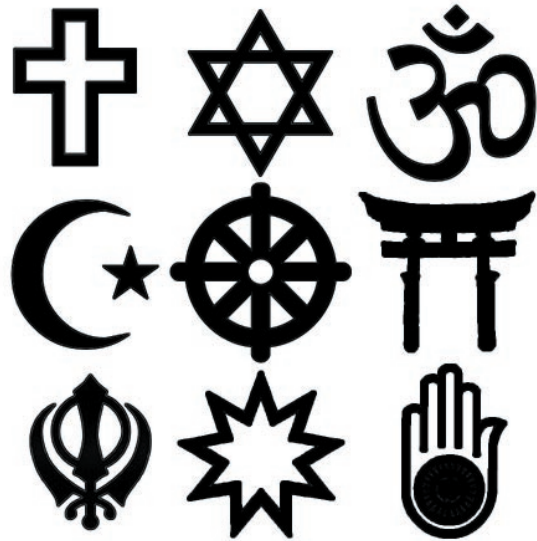


DEPARTMENT AND CENTRE FOR THE STUDY OF RELIGION

Introduction

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RLG 100Y1Y World Religions

Instructor(s): D. Perley

Enr: 239	Resp: 92							Retake: 76%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	2	2	13	19	29	20	12	4.8
Explains	1	1	12	13	26	29	16	5.2
Communicates	6	0	6	21	24	24	16	5.0
Teaching	2	3	2	14	23	33	20	5.4
Workload	1	2	14	67	11	3	0	4.0
Difficulty	1	1	13	69	10	4	0	4.0
Learn Exp	1	1	6	36	22	18	13	4.9

While most students seemed to enjoy the course, many students felt that the year long course was too little time for the scope of the subject material.

RLG 204Y1Y The Islamic Religious Tradition

Instructor(s): M. Rustom

Enr: 76	Resp: 54							Retake: 75%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	1	0	5	19	23	23	26	5.4
Explains	1	0	0	11	25	28	32	5.8
Communicates	0	0	1	0	21	38	38	6.1
Teaching	0	0	4	8	20	34	34	5.9
Workload	0	0	2	54	33	10	0	4.5
Difficulty	0	0	4	53	28	12	2	4.6
Learn Exp	0	0	5	28	8	34	22	5.4

Students said they found Rustom to be an effective teacher who was an enthusiastic and knowledgeable lecturer. However, a few students found that the course was fairly difficult for a 200-level course.

RLG 205Y1Y The Hindu Religious Tradition

Instructor(s): D. Miller

Enr: 45	Resp: 25							Retake: 91%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	25	29	8	37	5.6
Explains	0	0	4	0	33	25	37	5.9

Communicates	0	0	0	4	12	37	45	6.2
Teaching	0	0	0	12	32	12	44	5.9
Workload	0	0	4	72	24	0	0	4.2
Difficulty	0	0	0	60	30	8	0	4.5
Learn Exp	0	0	0	20	45	10	25	5.4

RLG 206Y1Y The Buddhist Religious Tradition

Instructor(s): F. Garrett

Enr: 73	Resp: 42							Retake: 94%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	2	20	38	38	6.1
Explains	0	0	0	0	14	36	48	6.3
Communicates	0	0	0	0	2	28	69	6.7
Teaching	0	0	0	0	2	41	56	6.5
Workload	0	4	4	75	9	4	0	4.0
Difficulty	0	0	7	70	17	4	0	4.2
Learn Exp	0	0	0	11	23	41	23	5.8

Students described the instructor as enthusiastic and passionate about the course. She communicated the material clearly. Students found the course very interesting.

Instructor(s): S. Ahn

Enr: 65	Resp: 56							Retake: 90%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	5	1	1	14	23	32	20	5.3
Explains	3	0	1	9	25	40	20	5.5
Communicates	3	1	1	0	5	31	55	6.2
Teaching	1	0	1	1	16	39	37	6.0
Workload	0	7	14	54	16	5	1	4.0
Difficulty	0	0	12	67	12	5	1	4.2
Learn Exp	0	2	0	14	29	31	21	5.5

Students found Ahn enthusiastic, knowledgeable and approachable. Students said they enjoyed the course material.

RLG 210Y1Y Introduction to the Sociology of Religion

Instructor(s): J. Bryant

Enr: 60	Resp: 39							Retake: 75%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	2	7	15	17	28	28	5.5
Explains	0	0	0	12	12	33	41	6.0
Communicates	0	0	0	5	15	36	42	6.2
Teaching	0	2	0	10	17	38	30	5.8
Workload	0	2	10	57	18	7	2	4.3
Difficulty	0	0	2	61	23	12	0	4.5
Learn Exp	3	3	3	28	9	28	25	5.2

Bryant was described by students as an enthusiastic and highly knowledgeable lecturer. A few students mentioned that lecture notes, handed out in class or posted online, would have helped. Although most students found the course material interesting, many students did not see the need for the textbook.

RLG 211Y1Y Introduction to the Psychology of Religion

Instructor(s): W. Wahl

Enr: 100	Resp: 36							Retake: 66%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	14	35	38	11	5.5
Explains	0	0	0	25	25	33	16	5.4
Communicates	0	0	2	13	25	36	22	5.6
Teaching	0	0	2	8	25	47	16	5.7
Workload	0	2	16	55	22	2	0	4.1
Difficulty	0	2	2	47	26	14	5	4.6
Learn Exp	0	3	0	39	35	17	3	4.8

RLG 220H1F Philosophical Responses to the Holocaust

Instructor(s): D. Novak

Enr: 51	Resp: 33							Retake: 72%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	3	3	3	16	32	16	25	5.2
Explains	0	0	13	3	23	23	26	5.7
Communicates	0	0	0	3	12	31	53	6.3
Teaching	0	3	3	6	13	36	36	5.9
Workload	0	3	16	43	30	6	0	4.2
Difficulty	0	0	0	32	45	16	6	5.0
Learn Exp	0	0	7	11	19	34	26	5.6

Students enjoyed the class and found the instructor to be an enthusiastic lecturer. However, students found that the marking scheme, based on two tests, was unfair. They also felt that there was a lack of clarity in regards to test expectations.

RLG 224Y1Y Problems in Religious Ethics

Instructor(s): L. Schmidt

Enr: 64	Resp: 35							Retake: 70%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	12	21	33	27	6	4.9
Explains	0	0	2	23	35	26	11	5.2
Communicates	0	0	9	36	21	24	9	4.9
Teaching	0	0	0	18	39	27	15	5.4
Workload	0	0	5	47	29	14	2	4.6
Difficulty	0	0	8	55	23	5	5	4.4
Learn Exp	0	3	14	25	29	11	14	4.7

Overall, students seemed to enjoy the course material, and found it relevant to present and current issues. A few students did mention that they found the workload too high for a 200 level course.

RLG 230H1F Religion and Public Life

Instructor(s): R. Marshall

Enr: 52	Resp: 30							Retake: 53%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	10	20	37	20	6	3	4.0
Explains	3	3	13	33	20	13	13	4.6
Communicates	0	0	0	10	30	36	23	5.7
Teaching	0	0	10	26	20	33	10	5.1
Workload	0	0	3	44	31	17	3	4.7
Difficulty	0	3	0	34	44	6	10	4.8
Learn Exp	0	7	7	34	30	11	7	4.5

Students found Marshall helpful and felt she explained the material effectively. However, some students felt the lectures were not always organized. A power point presentation or lecture outlines would have been useful.

RLG 245Y1Y Religions of the Silk Road

Instructor(s): A. Goodman

Enr: 46	Resp: 28							Retake: 92%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	7	32	46	14	5.7
Explains	0	0	3	7	22	33	33	5.9
Communicates	0	0	0	0	7	21	71	6.6
Teaching	0	0	0	0	14	35	50	6.4
Workload	0	0	3	53	25	10	7	4.6
Difficulty	0	0	0	60	25	14	0	4.5
Learn Exp	0	0	0	14	28	38	19	5.6

While students found the course challenging, they said the material was very interesting and was made even better by the enthusiasm of the instructor. They said that Goodman taught with a lot of excitement and used new novel concepts in class to encourage students to learn.

RLG 303H1F Evil and Suffering

Instructor(s): S. Slabodsky

Enr: 44	Resp: 29							Retake: 92%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	7	7	42	42	6.2
Explains	0	0	0	6	27	31	34	5.9
Communicates	0	0	0	0	6	6	86	6.8
Teaching	0	0	0	6	3	37	51	6.3
Workload	0	0	0	48	31	17	3	4.8
Difficulty	0	0	0	68	12	10	3	4.5
Learn Exp	0	0	0	17	39	26	17	5.4

Slabodsky was described as enthusiastic and knowledgeable. He was organized and helpful with questions. Students had a great learning experience.

RLG 310Y1Y Modern Atheism and the Critique of Religion

Instructor(s): J. DiCenso

Enr: 46	Resp: 23							Retake: 71%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	4	13	21	21	30	8	4.9
Explains	0	0	9	13	36	18	22	5.3
Communicates	0	0	0	4	13	52	30	6.1
Teaching	0	0	4	8	30	39	17	5.6
Workload	0	0	0	82	17	0	0	4.2
Difficulty	0	0	13	30	39	17	0	4.6
Learn Exp	0	5	0	44	22	5	22	4.9

RLG 317H1S Religious Violence and Nonviolence

Instructor(s): C. Reimer

Enr: 57	Resp: 32							Retake: 86%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	12	28	46	12	5.6
Explains	0	0	0	6	28	46	18	5.8
Communicates	0	0	0	0	15	40	43	6.3
Teaching	0	0	0	3	25	40	31	6.0
Workload	0	0	0	68	25	3	3	4.4
Difficulty	0	0	3	81	6	9	0	4.2
Learn Exp	0	0	3	23	15	30	26	5.5

The course material was current and engaging to the students. They found the assignments to be analytical in nature and thought-provoking.

Reimer was well-liked by her students who said that she was enthusiastic and engaging in the classroom.

RLG 323H1S Jesus of Nazareth

Instructor(s): J. Kloppenburg

Enr: 19	Resp: 13							Retake: 91%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	7	7	61	23	6.0
Explains	0	0	0	0	8	41	50	6.4
Communicates	0	0	0	0	15	30	53	6.4
Teaching	0	0	0	7	7	38	46	6.2
Workload	0	0	0	46	38	15	0	4.7
Difficulty	7	0	0	46	30	15	0	4.4
Learn Exp	0	0	0	25	25	37	12	5.4

Students said Kloppenburg was an enthusiastic, organized and knowledgeable instructor.

RLG 341H1F Dreaming of Zion: Exile and Return in Jewish Thought

Instructor(s): K. Green

Enr: 20	Resp: 17							Retake: 75%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	5	17	41	17	17	5.2
Explains	0	0	0	5	29	47	17	5.8

Communicates	0	0	0	0	17	41	41	6.2
Teaching	0	0	0	0	29	23	47	6.2
Workload	0	0	0	64	11	17	5	4.6
Difficulty	0	0	0	64	17	11	5	4.6
Learn Exp	0	0	0	30	38	15	15	5.2

Students found the instructor to have been knowledgeable and helpful. He answered questions thoroughly. A few students thought the reading workload was heavy. The instructor tended to speak quickly at times.

RLG 342Y1Y Judaism in the Modern Age

Instructor(s): K. Green

	Resp: 20							Mean
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Enr: 23	Retake: 95%							
Presents	0	0	0	0	30	35	35	6.1
Explains	0	0	0	0	10	50	40	6.3
Communicates	0	0	0	0	5	30	65	6.6
Teaching	0	0	0	0	10	40	50	6.4
Workload	0	0	0	90	5	0	5	4.2
Difficulty	0	0	0	60	20	20	0	4.6
Learn Exp	0	0	0	16	44	27	11	5.3

Students said that they found the course very informative. Green was described as a very knowledgeable and approachable lecturer.

RLG 345H1F Social Ecology and Judaism

Instructor(s): H. Fox

	Resp: 7							Mean
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Enr: 13	Retake: 83%							
Presents	0	0	0	42	42	14	0	4.7
Explains	0	0	0	14	14	42	28	5.9
Communicates	0	0	0	0	28	57	14	5.9
Teaching	0	0	0	0	42	42	14	5.7
Workload	0	0	0	85	14	0	0	4.1
Difficulty	0	0	0	100	0	0	0	4.0
Learn Exp	0	0	0	33	16	33	16	5.3

Students found the material interesting. Students noted readings were not heavily emphasized during class.

RLG 354H1F Islam in Egypt

Instructor(s): A. Mittermaier

	Resp: 9							Mean
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Enr: 15	Retake: 100%							
Presents	0	0	0	0	0	22	77	6.8
Explains	0	0	0	11	0	11	77	6.6
Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	7.0
Teaching	0	0	0	11	0	11	77	6.6
Workload	0	0	11	33	22	33	0	4.8
Difficulty	0	0	11	44	11	33	0	4.7
Learn Exp	0	0	0	0	14	28	57	6.4

Students described the instructor as enthusiastic and organized. Lectures aroused interest from students. She was very helpful with assignments.

RLG 365H1S Modern Hinduism

Instructor(s): S. Raman

	Resp: 20							Mean
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Enr: 43	Retake: 88%							
Presents	0	0	10	10	26	21	31	5.5
Explains	0	0	0	5	36	31	26	5.8
Communicates	0	0	0	0	10	31	57	6.5
Teaching	0	0	5	5	5	57	26	5.9
Workload	0	5	10	52	26	5	0	4.2
Difficulty	0	0	15	57	15	5	5	4.3
Learn Exp	0	0	0	16	33	25	25	5.6

A few students expressed dissatisfaction, as they felt that presentations took up time that could be used in lectures. Apart from this, students seemed generally to like the course.

Raman's confident style of lecturing, knowledge and enthusiasm was appreciated by her students.

RLG 373H1F Buddhist Meditation: Historical, Doctrinal, and Ethnographic Perspectives

Instructor(s): J. Ahn

	Resp: 19							Mean
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Enr: 26	Retake: 94%							
Presents	5	0	5	10	36	36	2	5.1
Explains	5	0	0	11	22	33	27	5.6
Communicates	5	0	0	0	10	21	63	6.3
Teaching	5	0	0	0	21	52	21	5.7
Workload	0	5	0	70	11	5	5	4.9
Difficulty	0	5	0	31	36	10	15	4.9
Learn Exp	0	0	0	13	33	20	33	5.7

Students found the instructor to have extensive knowledge. He was enthusiastic and offered thought-provoking lectures. Student found the material very interesting.

RLG 379H1S Daoism in Practice

Instructor(s): A. Goodman

	Resp: 13							Mean
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Enr: 30	Retake: 80%							
Presents	0	0	0	7	46	30	15	5.5
Explains	0	0	7	0	30	23	38	5.8
Communicates	0	0	0	0	7	30	61	6.5
Teaching	0	0	0	0	30	46	23	5.9
Workload	0	0	7	92	0	0	0	3.9
Difficulty	0	0	0	69	30	0	0	4.3
Learn Exp	0	0	0	36	36	9	18	5.1

Goodman encouraged class discussion, which made the learning experience enjoyable. She was an enthusiastic and knowledgeable instructor.

RLG 389H1S Special Topics II: Religion in the Post Colony

Instructor(s): R. Marshall

	Resp: 6							Mean
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Enr: 11	Retake: 100%							
Presents	0	0	0	0	33	16	50	6.2
Explains	0	0	0	33	0	33	33	5.7
Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	16	83	6.8
Teaching	0	0	0	0	16	3	50	6.3
Workload	0	0	0	33	66	0	0	4.7
Difficulty	0	0	0	66	33	0	0	4.3
Learn Exp	0	0	0	0	20	40	40	6.2

Students said that they felt Marshall was extremely knowledgeable and well-versed in the subject matter. She was helpful and always available help for extra help outside the classroom.

The course material and required readings were all very interesting and engaging.

RLG 410Y1Y Advanced Topics in Religion: Jurisprudence of Maimonides

Instructor(s): D. Novak

	Resp: 6							Mean
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Enr: 6	Retake: 60%							
Presents	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	6.5
Explains	0	0	0	0	33	16	50	6.2
Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	16	83	6.8
Teaching	0	0	0	20	20	20	40	5.8
Workload	16	0	33	16	0	16	16	4.0
Difficulty	0	16	0	50	0	16	16	4.5

Learn Exp 0 0 0 20 40 0 40 5.6

Students found the course interesting, and felt that the instructor was passionate about the material.

RLG 421H1S Topics in Psychology of Religion

Instructor(s): J. DiCenso

Enr: 8	Resp: 6							Retake: 100%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	33	50	16	5.8
Explains	0	0	0	0	33	33	33	6.0
Communicates	0	0	0	0	16	33	50	6.3
Teaching	0	0	0	0	16	33	50	6.3
Workload	0	0	0	60	40	0	0	4.4
Difficulty	0	0	0	16	66	16	0	5.0
Learn Exp	0	0	0	20	40	20	20	5.4

Students really enjoyed the material covered in this course, and enjoyed having DiCenso as a lecturer.

RLG 434H1S Modern Jewish Thought

Instructor(s): K. Green

Enr: 9	Resp: 9							Retake: 87%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	11	33	55	6.4
Explains	0	0	0	11	0	22	66	6.4
Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	22	77	6.8
Teaching	0	0	0	0	0	22	77	6.8

Workload 0 0 11 44 22 22 0 4.6
Difficulty 0 0 0 33 33 22 11 5.1
Learn Exp 0 0 0 14 42 42 0 5.3

Students described Green as an excellent teacher who was approachable and knowledgeable.

RLG 494Y1Y Individual Studies

Instructor(s): T. Champa

Enr: 5	Resp: 5							Retake: 100%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	0	40	60	6.6
Explains	0	0	0	0	0	20	80	6.8
Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	7.0
Teaching	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	7.0
Workload	0	0	0	40	20	20	20	5.2
Difficulty	0	0	0	40	20	20	20	5.2
Learn Exp	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	7.0

Students really enjoyed having Champa as their instructor. They said that he was extremely well-organized and clear in his instruction. He was very patient, understanding and approachable.

