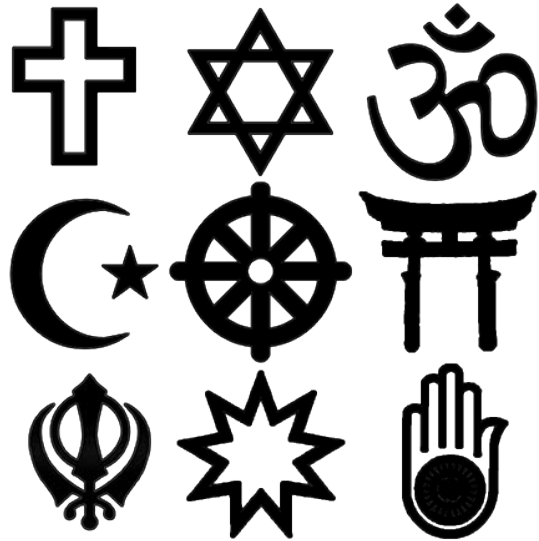


DEPARTMENT FOR THE STUDY OF RELIGION



Introduction

ASSU would like to thank the Faculty and Staff of the Department for the Study of Religion for their assistance in providing the following evaluations.

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MHB 156H1S Elementary Modern Hebrew II

Instructor(s): T. Strauss

Enr: 13 Resp: 7 Retake: 85%

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	14	14	14	57	6.1
Explains	0	0	0	0	28	14	57	6.3
Communicates	0	0	0	0	14	28	57	6.4
Teaching	0	0	0	0	28	0	71	6.4
Workload	0	14	0	71	14	0	0	3.9
Difficulty	0	14	28	28	28	0	0	3.7
Learn Exp	0	0	0	20	0	20	60	6.2

Strauss was a great instructor who was enthusiastic and knowledgeable.

Students enjoyed this course very much.

MHB 256H1S Intermediate Modern Hebrew II

Instructor(s): T. Strauss

Enr: 5 Resp: 4 Retake: 100%

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	50	0	50	6.0
Explains	0	0	0	0	0	25	75	6.8
Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	7.0
Teaching	0	0	0	0	0	66	33	6.3
Workload	0	25	0	75	0	0	0	3.5
Difficulty	25	25	0	50	0	0	0	2.8
Learn Exp	0	0	0	0	66	33	6.3	

Overall a very good and enjoyable course.

MHB 356H1S Advanced Modern Hebrew II

Instructor(s): T. Strauss

Enr: 6 Resp: 4 Retake: 100%

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	6.5
Explains	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	6.5
Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	25	75	6.8
Teaching	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	6.5

Workload	0	0	25	75	0	0	0	3.8
Difficulty	0	0	0	75	25	0	0	4.2
Learn Exp	0	0	0	0	0	33	66	6.7

Good class with a good instructor.

RLG 100Y1Y World Religions

Instructor(s): A. Maintenay

Enr: 225 Resp: 119 Retake: 90%

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	1	3	7	33	53	6.3
Explains	0	0	0	3	10	26	59	6.4
Communicates	0	0	0	1	3	14	80	6.7
Teaching	0	0	0	1	11	21	64	6.5
Workload	1	1	11	70	12	0	1	4.0
Difficulty	1	1	9	72	11	2	0	4.0
Learn Exp	20	0	20	17	32	26	5.6	

Many students found Maintenay to be an amazing instructor who was enthusiastic and engaging. He always created a fun and exciting atmosphere for his students. He presented the course material in a very engaging manner.

Overall, an excellent and enjoyable course material with an outstanding instructor.

RLG 202Y1Y The Jewish Religious Tradition

Instructor(s): K. Green

Enr: 41 Resp: 27 Retake: 80%

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	3	1	77	18	25	33	5.6
Explains	0	0	3	11	29	22	33	5.7
Communicates	0	0	0	7	14	33	44	6.1
Teaching	0	0	3	7	19	34	34	5.9
Workload	3	0	3	74	11	3	3	4.1
Difficulty	0	0	0	73	15	11	0	4.4
Learn Exp	0	0	4	26	21	21	26	5.4

Green was appreciated by students as a knowledgeable and helpful instructor. He presented the material in an organized manner and explained concepts well.

Some students said posting lecture notes on BlackBoard would have been helpful.

RLG 204Y1Y The Islamic Religious Tradition

Instructor(s): L. Silvers

Enr: 86 Resp: 78 Retake: 98%

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	1	0	3	15	30	48	6.2
Explains	0	0	1	3	6	23	65	6.5
Communicates	0	0	1	1	2	15	79	6.7
Teaching	0	0	1	1	5	22	69	6.6
Workload	0	1	20	67	9	1	0	3.9
Difficulty	1	1	9	70	12	4	0	4.0
Learn Exp	0	0	0	3	11	28	55	6.4

This was a great course with an outstanding instructor. Silvers was a passionate instructor who was not only energetic, fun and enthusiastic, but also very helpful and made every class an enjoyable experience for the students. Many students found this their favourite course this year or at this university.

RLG 205Y1Y The Hindu Religious Tradition

Instructor(s): S. Raman

Enr: 72 Resp: 31 Retake: 89%

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	3	13	27	31	24	5.6
Explains	0	0	0	12	35	35	16	5.5
Communicates	0	0	3	6	6	46	36	6.1

Teaching	0	0	3	3	20	43	30	5.9
Workload	3	0	3	86	6	0	0	3.9
Difficulty	0	3	12	67	16	0	0	4.0
Learn Exp	4	0	8	24	20	28	16	5.0

Students found the course material interesting and felt that Raman did a good job overall in presenting lectures. Students seemed to have liked the evaluation methods and found them fair.

RLG 210Y1Y Introduction to the Sociology of Religion

Instructor(s): J. Bryant

Enr: 96 Resp: 40 Retake: 55%

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	5	7	12	33	25	15	5.1
Explains	0	0	7	10	27	42	12	5.4
Communicates	0	0	5	20	30	37	7	5.2
Teaching	7	0	7	12	25	35	12	5.0
Workload	0	2	7	82	5	2	0	4.0
Difficulty	0	0	5	76	15	2	0	4.2
Learn Exp	0	3	14	42	28	10	0	4.3

Bryant was a knowledgeable instructor however, students suggested that his lecture notes be posted online. Some students found the textbook for this class unhelpful.

A number of students had high expectations going into this but were disappointed with the outcome.

RLG 212H1S Introduction to the Anthropology of Religion

Instructor(s): A. Mittermaier

Enr: 57 Resp: 36 Retake: 66%

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	2	5	28	51	11	5.6
Explains	0	0	0	5	36	41	16	5.7
Communicates	0	0	0	2	27	55	13	5.8
Teaching	0	0	0	5	22	52	19	5.9
Workload	0	0	5	75	13	5	0	4.2
Difficulty	0	2	0	58	27	11	0	4.4
Learn Exp	0	0	6	24	31	31	6	5.1

Overall, students seemed to like Mittermaier. However some students felt that the lectures could be dry and hard to follow. Some suggested more detailed overheads/lecture notes would benefit the learning experience.

RLG 220H1F Philosophical Responses to the Holocaust

Instructor(s): D. Novak

Enr: 58 Resp: 32 Retake: 86%

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	3	15	12	31	28	9	4.9
Explains	0	3	0	6	31	34	25	5.7
Communicates	0	0	0	3	12	51	32	6.1
Teaching	0	0	6	3	21	56	12	5.7
Workload	0	0	16	67	9	3	3	4.1
Difficulty	0	0	6	51	25	12	3	4.5
Learn Exp	0	0	0	20	28	16	36	5.7

Students found the course material very interesting. Students suggested changing the course evaluation structure. Novak was deemed as an intelligent instructor who was an overall effective teacher.

RLG 221H1S Religious Ethics: The Jewish Tradition

Instructor(s): D. Novak

Enr: 57 Resp: 34 Retake: 84%

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	2	2	5	14	29	32	11	5.1
Explains	0	2	2	2	29	35	26	5.7
Communicates	0	0	0	0	14	47	38	6.2
Teaching	0	3	3	3	28	43	18	5.6

Workload	0	0	32	50	11	5	0	3.9
Difficulty	0	3	6	65	18	6	0	4.2
Learn Exp	0	4	0	28	28	32	8	5.1

Students enjoyed the course overall, and found the course material interesting, although easy.

Novak was found to be knowledgeable, approachable and easy-going.

RLG 224Y1Y Problems in Religious Ethics

Instructor(s): L. Schmidt

Enr: 49 Resp: 32 Retake: 70%

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	6	9	18	25	40	5.8
Explains	0	0		3	6	40	46	6.2
Communicates	0	0	3	9	6	31	50	6.2
Teaching	0	0	3	6	6	31	53	6.2
Workload	0	3	0	40	37	6	12	4.8
Difficulty	0	3	6	53	18	15	3	4.5
Learn Exp	0	3	11	7	19	23	34	5.5

Students felt that the course material was interesting and relevant. Most students felt the experience was positive.

Schmidt was generally liked by his students as a knowledgeable and informative instructor. Some students felt it might have been beneficial to have a second, different perspective on the material.

RLG 229H1S Death, Dying and Afterlife

Instructor(s): A. Goodman

Enr: 136 Resp: 33 Retake: 74%

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	3	0	12	27	33	24	5.6
Explains	0	0	3	6	21	42	27	5.8
Communicates	0	0	0	3	9	15	72	6.6
Teaching	0	0	0	12	12	36	39	6.0
Workload	0	0	3	27	30	24	15	5.2
Difficulty	0	3	6	48	24	18	0	4.5
Learn Exp	0	0	15	26	23	11	23	5.0

Goodman was enthusiastic and passionate about the material she taught.

Some students found the workload very high for a half year course and the paper assignment hard.

RLG 232H1S Religion and Film

Instructor(s): J. McKinney

Enr: 109 Resp: 59 Retake: 64%

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	1	1	6	29	31	17	12	4.9
Explains	0	5	6	40	23	16	6	4.6
Communicates	3	1	15	23	25	16	13	4.7
Teaching	1	3	3	18	37	24	10	5.0
Workload	0	1	1	68	24	3	0	4.3
Difficulty	0	0	5	64	23	5	1	4.3
Learn Exp	0	13	2	30	23	18	11	4.7

This was an interesting course with a knowledgeable instructor. However some students found the lecture and instructor dry and wished that McKinney had been more enthusiastic about the course material. He also tended to use big words and students found it hard to keep up with his lectures. They suggested that his lecture notes be put up online before class.

The films were interesting, however some students thought this was more of a film course than a Religion course.

RLG 241Y1Y Early Christian Writings

Instructor(s): J. Kloppenberg

	Enr: 70							Mean
	Resp: 43							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Presents	0	0	0	2	18	39	39	6.2
Explains	0	0	0	2	11	51	34	6.2
Communicates	0	0	0	4	16	27	51	6.3
Teaching	0	0	0	2	11	34	51	6.3
Workload	0	0	4	69	13	9	2	4.3
Difficulty	0	0	9	65	13	9	2	4.3
Learn Exp	0	3	3	16	12	45	19	5.5

Kloppenberg was very knowledgeable instructor who presented the material in a clear concise manner with much enthusiasm. The course material was also very interesting.

Overall, an enjoyable learning experience.

RLG 280Y1Y World Religions: A Comparative Study

Instructor(s): A. Maintenay

	Enr: 47							Mean
	Resp: 22							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Presents	0	0	0	9	18	31	40	6.0
Explains	0	0	0	9	9	18	63	6.4
Communicates	0	0	0	0	4	13	81	6.8
Teaching	0	0	0	4	9	18	68	6.5
Workload	0	0	14	61	14	9	0	4.2
Difficulty	0	0	9	76	4	9	0	4.1
Learn Exp	0	0	0	27	16	22	33	5.6

Maintenay was outstanding instructor. He presented the course material in an organized and effective manner. Excellent enthusiasm and funny which made the class enjoyable.

RLG 301H1F Sigmund Freud on Religion

Instructor(s): J. DiCenso

	Enr: 53							Mean
	Resp: 13							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Presents	0	8	0	8	16	25	41	5.8
Explains	0	0	0	15	7	38	38	6.0
Communicates	0	0	0	7	15	7	69	6.4
Teaching	0	0	0	0	23	7	69	6.5
Workload	0	7	23	46	23	0	0	3.8
Difficulty	0	0	0	46	46	7	0	4.6
Learn Exp	0	0	10	20	10	10	50	5.7

Students said the course material was interesting and DiCenso was an enthusiastic and knowledgeable lecturer who presented the material well.

RLG 317H1S Religious Violence and Nonviolence

Instructor(s): C. Reimer

	Enr: 35							Mean
	Resp: 26							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Presents	0	0	0	4	16	52	28	6.0
Explains	0	0	0	4	20	44	32	6.0
Communicates	0	0	0	0	8	48	44	6.4
Teaching	0	0	0	4	12	44	40	6.2
Workload	0	0	0	58	16	16	8	4.8
Difficulty	0	0	0	70	8	20	0	4.5
Learn Exp	0	0	0	12	12	62	12	5.8

Students enjoyed having Reimer as their instructor. She was an enthusiastic, knowledgeable and passionate instructor.

The class material was interesting and thought-provoking. The course was deemed fair.

RLG 343H1F Kabbala: A History of Mystical Thought in Judaism

Instructor(s): K. Green

	Enr: 20							Mean
	Resp: 19							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Presents	0	0	5	5	42	21	26	5.6
Explains	0	0	5	5	31	26	31	5.7
Communicates	0	0	0	0	10	23	69	6.5
Teaching	0	0	0	0	21	36	42	6.2
Workload	0	0	5	63	21	10	0	4.4
Difficulty	0	0	0	50	38	5	5	4.7
Learn Exp	0	0	11	22	0	33	33	5.6

Students seemed to have enjoyed this course overall.

RLG 361H1S Hindu Myth

Instructor(s): D. Miller

	Enr: 56							Mean
	Resp: 35							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Presents	0	2	5	2	17	34	37	5.9
Explains	0	0	0	11	25	28	34	5.9
Communicates	0	0	0	0	11	25	62	6.5
Teaching	0	2	2	2	14	20	55	6.1
Workload	2	2	5	65	14	5	2	4.1
Difficulty	2	2	0	62	25	5	0	4.2
Learn Exp	4	0	4	13	17	39	21	5.4

Miller was a great instructor who was enthusiastic.

Overall an excellent class.

RLG 365H1F Modern Hinduism

Instructor(s): S. Raman

	Enr: 39							Mean
	Resp: 19							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Presents	0	0	0	10	31	36	21	5.7
Explains	0	0	0	5	15	47	31	6.1
Communicates	0	0	0	0	11	50	35	6.3
Teaching	0	0	0	0	15	52	31	6.2
Workload	0	0	5	78	10	5	0	4.2
Difficulty	0	0	5	73	15	5	0	4.2
Learn Exp	0	0	0	21	28	35	14	5.4

Raman was appreciated by students as a lecturer who provided valuable and in depth feedback on assignments. She was knowledgeable and presented lectures in an interesting and engaging manner.

The course material was interesting and students enjoyed the evaluations methods employed in class.

RLG 388H1S Special Topics I: Sacred Space

Instructor(s): N. Dion

	Enr: 45							Mean
	Resp: 32							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Presents	0	0	0	3	22	51	22	5.9
Explains	0	0	0	3	16	51	29	6.1
Communicates	0	0	0	0	3	51	45	6.4
Teaching	0	0	0	0	6	51	41	6.4
Workload	0	3	3	74	16	0	3	4.2
Difficulty	3	0	3	52	21	9	0	4.3
Learn Exp	0	0	8	28	20	28	16	5.2

Dion was appreciated by his students as a enthusiastic instructor who delivered interesting and organized lectures. Students enjoyed his promptness in returning marked assignments and liked the usage of journals as part of the learning process.

The course material was interesting, unique and made for a good learning experience.

RLG 412H1S Advanced Topics in religion: Tibetan Buddhist Literature

Instructor(s): F. Garrett

	Enr: 7							Resp: 7							Retake: 100%							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	0	33	66	0	0	0	0	0	33	66	0	0	0	0	0	33	66	6.7
Explains	0	0	0	0	0	33	66	0	0	0	0	0	33	66	0	0	0	0	0	33	66	6.7
Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	16	83	0	0	0	0	0	16	83	0	0	0	0	0	16	83	6.8
Teaching	0	0	0	0	0	16	83	0	0	0	0	0	16	83	0	0	0	0	0	16	83	6.8
Workload	0	0	0	16	33	33	16	0	0	0	16	33	33	16	0	0	0	16	33	33	16	5.5
Difficulty	0	0	0	16	0	50	33	0	0	0	16	0	50	33	0	0	0	16	0	50	33	6.0
Learn Exp	0	0	0	0	0	20	80	0	0	0	0	0	20	80	0	0	0	0	0	20	80	6.8

Students seemed to have enjoyed the course material and having Garrett as their instructor.

RLG 425H1F Hermeneutics and Religion

Instructor(s): J. DiCenso

	Enr: 5							Resp: 4							Retake: 75%							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	50	50	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	0	5.5
Explains	0	0	0	25	0	50	25	0	0	0	25	0	50	25	0	0	0	25	0	50	25	5.8
Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	75	25	0	0	0	0	0	75	25	0	0	0	0	0	75	25	6.2
Teaching	0	0	0	0	0	25	75	0	0	0	0	0	25	75	0	0	0	0	0	25	75	6.8
Workload	0	0	0	33	33	33	0	0	0	0	33	33	33	0	0	0	0	33	33	33	0	5.0
Difficulty	0	0	0	33	0	66	0	0	0	0	33	0	66	0	0	0	0	33	0	66	0	5.3
Learn Exp	0	0	0	66	0	33	0	0	0	0	66	0	33	0	0	0	0	66	0	33	0	4.7

RLG 433H1S Maimonides and His Modern Interpreters

Instructor(s): K. Green

	Enr: 7							Resp: 7							Retake: 100%							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	14	42	42	0	0	0	0	14	42	42	0	0	0	0	14	42	42	6.3
Explains	0	0	0	0	0	71	28	0	0	0	0	0	71	28	0	0	0	0	0	71	28	6.3
Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	4.0
Teaching	0	0	0	0	0	28	71	0	0	0	0	0	28	71	0	0	0	0	0	28	71	6.7
Workload	0	0	0	57	14	14	14	0	0	0	57	14	14	14	0	0	0	57	14	14	14	4.9
Difficulty	0	0	0	14	28	28	28	0	0	0	14	28	28	28	0	0	0	14	28	28	28	5.7
Learn Exp	0	0	0	0	20	60	20	0	0	0	0	20	60	20	0	0	0	0	20	60	20	6.0

RLG 451H1F The Parables of Jesus

Instructor(s): J. Kloppenberg

	Enr: 5							Resp: 4							Retake: 100%							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Mean
Presents	0	0	0	0	0	75	25	0	0	0	0	0	75	25	0	0	0	0	0	75	25	6.2
Explains	0	0	0	0	0	75	25	0	0	0	0	0	75	25	0	0	0	0	0	75	25	6.2
Communicates	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	6.5
Teaching	0	0	0	0	0	25	75	0	0	0	0	0	25	75	0	0	0	0	0	25	75	6.8
Workload	0	0	0	50	50	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	0	0	4.5
Difficulty	0	0	0	75	25	0	0	0	0	0	75	25	0	0	0	0	0	75	25	0	0	4.2
Learn Exp	0	0	0	0	33	66	0	0	0	0	0	33	66	0	0	0	0	0	33	66	0	5.7

