

HU 1130 - INTRODUCTION TO WORLD RELIGIONS

Credits: 3

This class provides students with an introduction to the major Western religions: Judaism, Islam, and Christianity, and the major Eastern religions: Hinduism, Buddhism, Taoism, and Confucianism. Students explore the origins, history, practices, cultural contexts, and meanings of each religious tradition. Students demonstrate a deeper understanding and appreciation for the varieties of religious thought, belief, practices, and meanings.

Prerequisites: EN 1110 - Composition I

Course Learning Outcomes:	Exceeding	Meeting	Developing	Not meeting	Program Outcomes	Institutional Outcomes
Understand the study of religion, comparative religious studies, and the major critiques of religious studies	Analyzes the study of religion, comparative religious studies, and the major critiques of religious studies	Explains the study of religion, comparative religious studies, and the major critiques of religious studies	Recognizes the study of religion, comparative religious studies, and the major critiques of religious studies	Does not understand the study of religion, comparative religious studies, and the major critiques of religious studies	LA6, LA7	Cultural Competence Critical Thinking
Understands the basic rhetoric of religious studies to discuss religion and non-Western worldviews in an empathetically objective manner	Synthesizes the basic rhetoric of religious studies and non-Western worldviews in an empathetically objective manner	Explains the basic rhetoric of religious studies and non-Western worldviews in an empathetically objective manner	Recognizes the basic rhetoric of religious studies and non-Western worldviews in an empathetically objective manner	Understands the basic rhetoric of religious studies to discuss religion and non-Western worldviews in an empathetically objective manner	LA6, LA7	Cultural Competence Critical Thinking
Understands the basic knowledge of each of the world's major religious traditions	Analyzes the basic knowledge of each of the world's major religious traditions.	Compares and contrasts the basic knowledge of each of the world's major religious traditions	Recognizes the basic knowledge of each of the world's major religious traditions	Understands the basic knowledge of each of the world's major religious traditions	LA6, LA7	Cultural Competence Critical Thinking
Understand academic methodology in the analysis of religious tradition or world belief system	Applies academic methodology to the analysis of religious tradition or world belief system	Summarizes academic methodology to the analysis of religious tradition or world belief system	Recognizes academic methodology to the analysis of religious tradition or world belief system	Does not understand academic methodology in the analysis of religious tradition or world belief system	LA6, LA7	Cultural Competence Critical Thinking
Understands non-Western cultures in a manner that respects and validates the uniqueness and sophistication of the peoples examined	Analyzes non-Western cultures in a manner that respects and validates the uniqueness and sophistication of the peoples examined	Summarizes non-Western cultures in a manner that respects and validates the uniqueness and sophistication of the peoples examined	Recognizes non-Western cultures in a manner that respects and validates the uniqueness and sophistication of the peoples examined	Does not understand non-Western cultures in a manner that respects and validates the uniqueness and sophistication of the peoples examined	LA1, LA2, LA4, LA5	Communication Competence