

# COURSE DETAIL

## RELIGION AND WOMEN

**Country**

Australia

**Host Institution**

University of New South Wales

**Program(s)**

University of New South Wales

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Women's & Gender Studies Religious Studies

**UCEAP Course Number**

103

**UCEAP Course Suffix****UCEAP Official Title**

RELIGION AND WOMEN

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

WOMEN AND RELIGION

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

6.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

4.00

## Course Description

This course focuses on the role of women in five of the world's major religions: Hinduism, Buddhism, Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. It examines the traditional theological principles and the practical laws that have directly impacted, for better or for worse, upon the lives of women within these religious traditions. It also explores historical and contemporary challenges to doctrines and practices that are seen to undermine women's equality and freedom. Rather than study each religion in serial fashion, the course adopts a comparative, thematic methodology, tracing key themes across the religions concerned. Those themes include femininity and divinity, historical founders' attitudes to women, key scriptural texts and their interpretation, life-cycle rituals, marriage and divorce, sex and procreation, clothing and social freedom, worship and purity, and leadership and authority.

## Language(s) of Instruction

English

## Host Institution Course Number

GENL1022

## Host Institution Course Title

WOMEN AND RELIGION

## Host Institution Course Details

<http://www.handbook.unsw.edu.au/undergraduate/courses/2017/GENL1022.html>

## Host Institution Campus

sydney

## Host Institution Faculty

## Host Institution Degree

## Host Institution Department

General Education

**Course Last Reviewed**

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