

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 Campus

sydney

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

General Education

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