

# COURSE DETAIL

## INTRODUCTION TO MODERN CHRISTIANITY AND CULTURE

**Country**

United Kingdom - England

**Host Institution**

King's College London

**Program(s)**

King's College London

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Religious Studies

**UCEAP Course Number**

128

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

INTRODUCTION TO MODERN CHRISTIANITY AND CULTURE

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

MODERN CHRISTIANITY

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

6.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

4.00

## **Course Description**

This course offers an introduction to modern Christianity in the period that stretches roughly from the Protestant Reformation to the present, exploring the reasons why Christianity has been such an extraordinarily successful, pervasive, and often maligned religion. The course examines the social, cultural, and intellectual bases of its authority, taking a historical approach to the question of what Christianity is and has been in the early modern and modern world. Students learn that there is no singular definition of Christianity; rather, this religion has been the site of perpetual conflict both between its members and between its members and its enemies. The course explores the universal tenets that exist throughout all denominations of Christianity, as well as the radical disagreements that have stemmed from the various interpretations of those tenets. It analyzes the ways in which Christianity has interacted with deep-seated patterns of domination and inequality such as physical force, sexuality and gender, and wealth and poverty. It examines how Christianity has coped with threats to its authority, with attention to the impact of the Enlightenment, the challenges posed by the emergence of modern states and nations, and the phenomenon of secularization.

## **Language(s) of Instruction**

English

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4AAT1030

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<https://www.kcl.ac.uk/artshums/depts/trs/modules/level4/4aat1030.aspx>

## **Host Institution Campus**

King's College London

## **Host Institution Faculty**

## **Host Institution Degree**

**Host Institution Department**

Theology & Religious Studies

**Course Last Reviewed**

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