COURSE DETAIL

RELIGION IN CONTEMPORARY SOCIETIES: FUNDAMENTALISM, RADICALIZATION, AND RELIGIOUS VIOLENCE

Country
Norway

Host Institution
University of Oslo

Program(s)
University of Oslo

UCEAP Course Level
Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)
Sociology Religious Studies

UCEAP Course Number
103

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title
RELIGION IN CONTEMPORARY SOCIETIES: FUNDAMENTALISM, RADICALIZATION, AND RELIGIOUS VIOLENCE

UCEAP Transcript Title
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UCEAP Quarter Units
8.00

UCEAP Semester Units
5.30

Course Description
This course provides a theoretical and empirical introduction to religion as a sociological phenomenon, with a focus on religion in contemporary society, fundamentalism, religious radicalization, and violence. The course provides knowledge and insight into different concepts of religion and debates on religious change in contemporary society. In order to understand fundamentalism, religious radicalization, and violence, the course discusses different perspectives that have been used in empirical studies such as social psychology, cultural analysis, and social movements. Students discuss whether Western societies are post-secular or increasingly secular by relating sociological theories to empirical studies of the role of religion in Norwegian and Nordic public spheres. The course examines religious radicalization and religious violence, and which aspects of all world religions can be used to legitimize violence. Students gain useful knowledge and skills for working in education, research, the media, public administration, health and social services, business, politics, and international affairs.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
SOS2700

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Host Institution Course Details

Host Institution Campus
Social Sciences

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
Sociology and Human Geography

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