COURSE DETAIL

RELIGION AND IDENTITY
Country Netherlands
Host Institution Leiden University College
Program(s) Leiden University College
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Sociology Religious Studies
UCEAP Course Number 145
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title RELIGION AND IDENTITY
UCEAP Transcript Title RELIGION & IDENTITY
UCEAP Quarter Units 6.00
UCEAP Semester Units 4.00

Course Description
This course unpacks the debates on freedom of religion on the basis of actual case studies. After an in-depth look at the ways in which identity discourses in general vacillate between “biological” and “cultural” interpretations (and valuations), the course zooms in on legal and social debates on religious freedom, culminating in an exploration of violent state interference in religious communities. Students not only learn about religion, and religious identity, but also about the construction of identity discourses in general. They learn to understand how differences in world-view (normative cognition) impact understandings of reality. By taking a look at actual cases of conflict between religious communities and state actors, they learn to deal with diversity on the basis of religion. From a series of outlier cases, students acquire a more generalized view of the nature of religious identities. Recommended prerequisite is an intermediate-level anthropology course.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

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Host Institution Course Details
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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
Human Diversity/World Politics

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