COURSE DETAIL

RELIGION AND IDENTITY Country

Host Institution

Leiden University College

Program(s)

Netherlands

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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https://studiegids.leidenuniv.nl/en/courses/show/87845/religion-identity

Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department

Human Diversity/World Politics

Course Last Reviewed

2020-2021