

# 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**

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**UCEAP Transcript Title**

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**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

## Host Institution Course Number

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## Host Institution Campus

## Host Institution Faculty

## Host Institution Degree

## Host Institution Department

Human Diversity/World Politics

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