

## COURSE DETAIL

### PSYCHOLOGY OF RELIGION AND SPIRITUALITY

**Country**

Ireland

**Host Institution**

Trinity College Dublin

**Program(s)**

Trinity College Dublin

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Psychology

**UCEAP Course Number**

111

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

PSYCHOLOGY OF RELIGION AND SPIRITUALITY

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

PSY/RELG&SPIRITULTY

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

4.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

2.70

## Course Description

The course examines the core phenomena of religious and spiritual belief and practice – faith, guilt and forgiveness, worship – through the lenses of different psychologies. Psychoanalysis, social, cognitive, behavioral, biological, evolutionary and positive psychology have all addressed these. Students explore their theoretical perspectives, methodologies, and the types of empirical data they have gathered. They also look at distinctive features of human culture that, while not specifically religious, are arguably fundamental to the experience of being human, such as art, fiction, and humor. Core to the course is consideration of multiple rationalities and the nature and status of different types and levels of knowledge – religious vs. scientific, psychological vs. sociological, evolutionary vs. humanistic – in understanding the human condition.

### Language(s) of Instruction

English

### Host Institution Course Number

PSU3475V

### Host Institution Course Title

PSYCHOLOGY OF RELIGION AND SPIRITUALITY

### Host Institution Campus

### Host Institution Faculty

### Host Institution Degree

### Host Institution Department

Psychology

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