COURSE DETAIL

THEORIES OF RELIGION

Country
United Kingdom - Scotland

Host Institution
University of Edinburgh

Program(s)
University of Edinburgh

UCEAP Course Level
Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)
Religious Studies

UCEAP Course Number
160

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title
THEORIES OF RELIGION

UCEAP Transcript Title
THEORIES/RELIGION

UCEAP Quarter Units
8.00

UCEAP Semester Units
5.30

Course Description

What exactly is "religion?" Are we talking about the same "thing" in our cross-cultural and comparative studies? This course approaches this key question through close readings of selected theories of religion by living scholars. The course examines each theory in detail and compares and contrasts their presuppositions and conclusions. Students also road-test theories on selected case studies. The course prepares students to identify and defend their preferred theory of religion and to put it into practice. This course engages in close reading of selected recent theories of "religion." By the end of the course students should be able to identify and defend their own preferred theoretical approach to explaining "religion."

Language(s) of Instruction
English

Host Institution Course Number
REST10041

Host Institution Course Title
THEORIES OF RELIGION

Host Institution Course Details

Host Institution Campus
Edinburgh

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

Host Institution Department
Religious Studies

Course Last Reviewed

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