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# REL 230

## Religions of the World

### COURSE OUTLINE

**Prerequisites:** None

**Course Description:**

Introduces the religions of the world with attention to origin, history, and doctrine.

**Semester Credits: 3 Lecture Hours: 3**

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## Course Outcomes:

**At the completion of this course, the student should be able to:**

- Be conversant with definitions of “ religion” as it applies in a multi-cultural world
- Name and identify major world religious traditions
- Define and understand theism as it applies to major world religions
- Understand basic theoretical issues of major world religions, such as doctrines, stories, myths, teachings
- Have a basic understanding of practical applications of major world religions, such as worship practices, rituals, holidays
- Understand the sociological effect of major world religions as it applies to those who adhere to the various traditions, including communities of followers and religious specialists
- Identify and understand current issues within major world religions

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## Required Materials:

1. Textbook
2. Internet access
3. Blackboard

## Textbook:

Malloy, Michael, *Experiencing the World's Religions: Tradition, Challenge, and Change*, 6<sup>th</sup> Edition. ISBN # 978-0-078-03827-3.

**The following supplementary materials are available:** None

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## Topical Description:

- Hinduism
- Buddhism
- Sikh and Jain
- Confucianism and Daoism
- Korean and Japanese Religions
- Judaism
- Christianity
- Islam

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